

City Meeting Of October 19, 2021

Mayor Bollinger called the meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman to order at 6:31 p.m., Tuesday, October 19, 2021. The meeting was held at City Hall.

Invocation

Br. John Briggs offered invocation. Mayor Bollinger led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Bollinger, Alderman Harrison, Alderman Deweese, Alderman Rider, Vice Mayor Shaw Kelly Rider, City Recorder, Attorney Russell Freeman

Absent:

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of September 21, 2021 were presented for approval or corrections.

Motion made by: Alderman Deweese

Second: Vice Mayor Shaw

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Harrison...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Citizens Comments

Josh Reasoner-beer sales

Helen Kelly-beer sales

John Briggs-beer sales

Eric Beasley-beer sales

Dan Russell-beer sales

Commissioners & Department Reports

Utilities:

Alderman Deweese reported Brian Dean has cleared all the current and previous violations from the Tennessee Public Utility Commission safety inspection evaluation and has completed the cathodic protection survey.

Alderman Deweese reported 58 TN one call tickets were cleared this month.

Alderman Deweese reported the sewer main has been installed on Highland Ave. and a sewer repair was made at city hall after the riser was damaged by thru traffic.

Finance:

Alderman Harrison reported we received a letter from the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury recognizing the hard work and commitment in adopting the budget before fiscal year end and filing with their office within 15 days of adoption. Alderman Harrison thanked council for their work on the budget and thanked Kelly Rider for all her hard work.

Park:

Alderman Harrison announced Smoke on the Ridge was a great success.

Alderman Harrison announced the David Wiley Halloween int the Park trick or trunk at Ridgetop Station Park on October 30 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Streets:

Vice Mayor Shaw stated he had a request to pave Dyer Lane. He reported we will be asking the guys to patch the street until spring.

Vice Mayor Shaw reported he expects to have the final plans for the Shedden Road project by the end of November.

Vice Mayor Shaw reported Browning Estates will bore Lake Road instead of cutting the road to install water for the subdivision.

Fire:

Mayor Bollinger read the fire report.

Mayor Bollinger reported a successful blood drive with the American Red Cross.

Planning and Zoning:

Alderman Rider reported the request to subdivide property on Lake Road was withdrawn by Todd Bollinger, the surveyor.

Business Reports:

City Recorder:

Kelly Rider reported all previously cited violations on the Safety inspection evaluation with Tennessee Public Utility Commission have been cleared.

Kelly Rider reported the city received a certificate from the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury recognizing the city adopted the budget on or before the fiscal year end, budget was filed in their office within 15 days of adoption, no issues of concern were raised during their review of the budget and our local government is not currently under the oversight of the Water & Wastewater Financing, or Utility Management Review Board.

Attorney Freeman:

Attorney Freeman reported he sent a letter to Krish Foods on October 8, 2021, concerning noncompliance FOG program. They were originally sent a letter by the city in April 2021 and given 30 days to provide proof of action. He reported the letter states necessary documents to be submitted within 2 weeks of receipt of letter.

Attorney Freeman stated he is awaiting more information to send Dollar General a letter concerning I/I.

Attorney Freeman reported the city has received a franchise agreement from Cumberland Connect. The agreement will be presented in an Ordinance in November meeting.

Mayor Comments:

Mayor Bollinger spoke about Fentanyl being carried through our county and stated he believes Hwy 41 is a main route for smuggling. Mayor Bollinger stated he believes the city needs a police department for that. He stated he is struggling for any way to re-establish a department. He stated he is looking for any way he can raise money to put a department back on the streets patrolling our neighborhoods. If you have any ideas, please bring them to him. He stated he is reluctant to raise taxes but if enough people told him they were willing to do so he would explore that. He stated when he campaigned, it had been inquired if he had considered selling beer and that is why this is on the agenda.

Old Business:

Gutters for Ridgeway Emergency Services Building

Council deferred gutters.

New Business:

Approve Work Order No. 5, Project 4700-006 FoxPE, LLC.

Alderman Deweese made the motion to approve change order no. 5, project 4700-006 with FoxPE, LLC. in the amount of \$44,400 for Lake Road sewer improvements. Vice Mayor Shaw seconded.

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Harrison...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Ordinance 2021-110, Municipal Floodplain Zoning Ordinance

Alderman Rider made the motion to accept Ordinance 2021-110, An Ordinance adopted for the purpose of amending the City of Ridgetop, Tennessee Municipal Ordinance regulating development within the corporate limits of Ridgetop, Tennessee, to minimize danger to life and property due to flooding, and to maintain eligibility for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. Alderman Harrison seconded.

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Harrison...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Ordinance 2021-111, Sign Ordinance

Vice Mayor Shaw made the motion to accept Ordinance 2021-111, An Ordinance amending Ordinance 2009-104, An Ordinance establishing an exception from the standard 30 m.p.h. speed limit in the City of Ridgetop for certain streets. Alderman Rider seconded.

Alderman Harrison...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Ordinance 2021-112 Beer Ordinance

Vice Mayor Shaw made the motion to accept Ordinance 2021-112, An Ordinance to adopt Title 8, Chapter 2, to establish a beer board and regulate the sale, storage, manufacture and/or distribution, of beer in the city limits of the City of Ridgetop. Mayor Bollinger seconded.

Alderman Rider...no

Alderman Harrison...no

Alderman Deweese...abstain

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Failed.

Utility Department Employee

Council deferred utility department employee.

Bid Advertisement for Electrical work at city shop

Alderman Deweese made the motion to advertise for bid electrical work for city shop. Vice Mayor Shaw seconded.

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Harrison...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Electrical work at city park

Alderman Deweese made the motion to advertise for bid electrical work for city park. Alderman Rider seconded.

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Harrison...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Fence extension at shop

Alderman Deweese made the motion to advertise for fence extension at city shop. Vice Mayor Shaw seconded.

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Harrison...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Bid Advertisement for Gate at Pioneer Park

Alderman Harrison made the motion to advertise for gate at Pioneer Park. Alderman Rider seconded.

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Harrison...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Surplus Culvert

Council deferred surplus culvert

Law Enforcement Agreement

Mayor Bollinger discussed questions he had of the MOU with Attorney Freeman. Attorney Freeman recommended to meet with Sheriff VanDyke and discuss concerns.

Workshop

Alderman Harrison made the motion to schedule a workshop for November 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Alderman Deweese seconded.

Alderman Harrison...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, Alderman Rider moved for adjournment. Alderman Harrison seconded.

Alderman Harrison...yes

Alderman Deweese...yes

Alderman Rider...yes

Vice Mayor Shaw...yes

Mayor Bollinger...yes

Motion Carried.

Mayor Bollinger

Kelly Rider, City Recorder