

**BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (BMA)
MINUTES FOR
October 23, 2023**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Tullahoma, Coffee and Franklin Counties, Tennessee assembled at the Municipal Building, in Tullahoma, for a meeting on Monday, October 23, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Ray Knowis presiding and the following named members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen: Jenna Amacher, Daniel Berry, Kurt Glick, Derick Mann, Jerry Mathis and Bobbie Wilson.

Mr. Jason Quick, City Administrator; Mr. Stephen M. Worsham, City Attorney; Mrs. Sue Wilson, Finance Director; Mr. Charles Rush, Planning Director; and Mrs. Lori Ashley, City Recorder were present at the meeting.

Mayor Ray Knowis called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was said by Christine Jones, and she led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENDATIONS AND CERTIFICATES: N/A

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A Proclamation recognizing November 2023 as Family Court Awareness Month.

A Special Presentation from Allen Potter with Tullahoma Utilities Authority and John Long with Tennessee Valley Authority.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

Brian Skelton, 105 Blantonwood, President of TUA – Spoke to the Board of Mayor and Alderman about Ordinance No. 1616. He asked that the board postpone voting on this matter until the Underground Utility Owners and Public Works could have the opportunity to discuss a solution that would work for everyone.

THE AGENDA WAS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Mathis to approve the agenda.

On roll call all members voted aye and it was so ordered.

REPORTS FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

ALDERMAN WILSON – Reminded everyone that Finding Nemo will be playing this weekend at South Jackson.

ALDERMAN MANN – Attended the Oktoberfest at South Jackson, and we had our final Charter Revision Meeting, on November 6th we will be having a study session to discuss the changes.

ALDERMAN MATHIS – No report.

ALDERMAN BERRY – Attended the Oktoberfest at South Jackson Street. Congratulated the Employee of the Month, Randall Boyette. Tomorrow the Lions Bowl will be held in Tullahoma at 6 and 7:30. Playoff games at Waggoner for the Frank Mullins League will be held tomorrow night as well.

ALDERMAN GLICK – Attended the CPDC meeting where they discussed their schedule for the year.

ALDERMAN AMACHER – Stated she has had some complaints on our Administrative Hearing Officer and the fines associated. Will be renewing her advocacy for a Board of Appeals. She has reviewed the Street Cut Ordinance but is supportive of Mr. Skelton and wants an Ordinance that works for everyone.

MAYOR RAY KNOWIS – Announced there were two appointments to the Tullahoma Housing Authority. Ken Mackay to serve a full term ending on October 31, 2028, and Ashley Abraham to serve the remainder of an unexpired term ending on October 31, 2027.

CITY ATTORNEY – No report.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Quick met with several organizations including the Sunshine and Noon Rotary Clubs, Coffee County Leadership Program sponsored by the Tullahoma and Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce. Leadership Tullahoma meetings have continued, as well as Coffee with Citizens. He attended the Charter Meetings. We have been interviewing for an IT Specialist and Assistant Finance Director. Happy to report that the sales tax is up 14.5% over this time last year.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Item No. 23-186 – Minutes of the October 9, 2023, Regular Meeting.

Item No. 23-187 – Request to approve a Permit Request for Special Event Signs in the Public Way for the South Jackson Performing Arts Center “Christkindlmarkt” Christmas Event and waive all permit fees.

Item No. 23-188 – Set a Public Hearing and First Reading for November 13, 2023, on a Text Amendment to the fire code with the 2021 Edition from the International Code Council and subsequent ordinance changes needed to facilitate this change.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Mathis to approve the consent agenda.

On roll call all members voted aye and it was so ordered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 1609 – An Ordinance to adopt a new Chapter in Title 18: Water, Wastewater & Stormwater “Chapter 6: Floodplain Management” of Title 18 of the City of Tullahoma, Tennessee, as set forth in the Tullahoma Municipal Code, for passage on the second and final reading.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve Ordinance No. 1609.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

Ordinance No. 1610 – An Ordinance to amend Title 18: Water, Wastewater & Stormwater, Chapter 2: Stormwater Management of the City of Tullahoma, Tennessee, as set forth in the Tullahoma Municipal Code, for passage on the second and final reading.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve Ordinance No. 1610.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

Ordinance No. 1611 – An Ordinance to amend the zoning map of the City of Tullahoma, Tennessee, as set forth in the Tullahoma Municipal Code, to re-zone a parcel located along S Anderson St (Coffee County 127D, Group A, Parcel 10.00) from General Commercial (C-2) to Neighborhood Commercial (C-3) Zoning District, for passage on the second and final reading.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Glick to approve Ordinance No. 1611.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

Ordinance No. 1612 – An Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Tullahoma, Tennessee, by amending Article V General Provisions – Section 503 Accessory Uses and Structures “C. Location of Accessory Buildings, 3B Residential Accessory Structures Requirements, for passage on the second and final reading.

A motion was made by Alderman Mann and seconded by Alderman Berry to approve Ordinance No. 1612.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

Ordinance No. 1613 – An Ordinance to amend the Zoning Map of the City of Tullahoma, Tennessee, as set forth in the Tullahoma Municipal Code, to re-zone a parcel located along N Jackson St (Coffee County 107, Parcel 17.00 and Coffee County 108, Parcel 95.00) from Agriculture (AG) to Planned Mixed-Use Zoning District, for passage on the second and final reading.

A motion was made by Alderman Mann and seconded by Alderman Berry to approve Ordinance No. 1613.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 1607 – An Ordinance to amend Chapter 2 (Building Code), Chapter 3 (Electrical Code), Chapter 4 (Gas Code), Chapter 5 (Housing Code), Chapter 7 (Plumbing Code), Chapter 8 (Mechanical Code), Chapter 9 (Residential Code), Chapter 11 (Energy Conservation Code), Chapter 10 (International Property Maintenance Code), Chapter 13 (Existing Building Code) of Title 12 (Building Utility, Etc. Codes) of the Municipal Code of the City of Tullahoma, Tennessee, for passage on the first of two readings.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve Ordinance No. 1607.

On roll call all members present voted as follows;

Aye(s): Berry, Glick, Knowis, Mathis, Mann, Wilson
Abstain(s): Amacher

The vote being six (6) aye(s) and one (1) abstain(s) the motion passed and it was so ordered.

Ordinance No. 1616 – An Ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tullahoma, Tennessee by repealing Chapter 2 (Excavations and Curb Cuts) of Title 16 (Streets and Sidewalks, Etc.), in its entirety and adopting a New Chapter 2 (Excavations and Curb Cuts) of Title 16 (Streets and Sidewalks Etc.) for passage on the first of two readings.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Mathis to approve Ordinance No. 1616.

A discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Amacher to postpone Ordinance No. 1616 until the December meeting and schedule a study session to review the Ordinance prior to the December meeting.

On roll call all members voted as follows;

Aye(s): Amacher, Berry, Glick, Knowis, Mathis, Wilson
Nay(s): Mann

The vote being six (6) aye(s) and one (1) nay(s) the motion passed and it was so ordered.

Item No. 23-189 – Consider approval of the purchase of two John Deere Gator TX utility carts at the Sourcewell / state contract price of \$19,126.52.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Mathis to approve Item No. 23-189.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

Item No. 23-190 – Consider approval of awarding a bid to C&H Commercial Contractors in the amount of \$139,690 to replace a chain link backstop at the Greene Field inside Waggoner Park.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve Item No. 23-190.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

Item No. 23-191 – Confirm the Appointment of Planning and Codes Director as recommended by the City Administrator.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Mann to approve Item No. 23-191.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

A motion was made by Alderman Amacher and seconded by Alderman Berry to reconsider Ordinance No. 1613.

On roll call all members voted aye and it was so ordered.

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A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve Ordinance No. 1613.

On roll call all members present voted as follows;

Aye(s): Berry, Glick, Knowis, Mathis, Mann, Wilson
Abstain(s): Amacher

The vote being six (6) aye(s) and one (1) abstain(s) the motion passed and it was so ordered.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Alderman at this time, the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

CITY RECORDER

MAYOR