

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
October 11, 2011

The Board of Mayor and Council met in a regular session on October 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Present and presiding: Gary Norwood.

Council present: Steve Allen, Alwilda Binkley, Jimmy Gill, Rick Johnson, Jim Yates and Chris LaCrosse.

Others present: Cheryl B. Davis, Peggy Amos, Michael Armstrong, Melissa Womack, Jason L. Overstreet, Billy Harris, David Jenkins, Anita Justice, Randy Walker, Dwayne Noe, Wade Reed, Leon Pemberton, Paul Gupton, Jennifer Noe, Tim Adkins, Rebecca Rickard, April Branan, Zach McCarver, Tony Young, Mary Glasgow and Phyllis Schaeffer.

Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Yates, to approve both the September regular minutes and the special called minutes. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mayor Norwood asked if anyone had any items or concerns they would like to present to the Council.

Mr. Leon Pemberton came forward and said he lived at Veterans Dr. and had a break in his water line he had it repaired the same day he realized he had a problem his bill is exceedingly high but not quite 5 times greater and asked if the Council could help. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill, to adjust Mr. Pemberton's water bill to an average. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Yates-yes and Mayor-yes.

Ms. Coleman from 121 N. Poole Street came forward and said she also had a leak that had been fixed and would also like help. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Binkley, to adjust Ms. Coleman's bill to an average. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, Gill-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Rebecca Rickard from 112 Apricot Way came to the Council also to request help with her water bill. Ms. Rickard said she hired a plumber that couldn't find the problem then hired another plumber and had to have new lines in her yard. Mayor said it seems like you have had problems since June. Ms. Rickard said yes, but it is all fixed now. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Yates, to adjust Ms. Rickard's bill to an average. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mr. Jason Overstreet came forward and said he lives at 409 Eisenhower Dr. and said he had an incident with the police and has a court case coming up this Thursday he would like the truth made known he would like the Council to this case and find the truth. He believes most police officers are good and he knows this was a mistake but he doesn't want this to happen to anyone else. He would like the Council to do their own fact finding for the truth. Mayor said that the Council does not have anything to do with

court cases that this would be under the Judge and Court Clerks Dept. If you are saying the police officer did something he shouldn't have then I will sit down with the Chief and we will investigate and if we find the officer was wrong disciplinary action will be taken. Mr. Overstreet replied no, he would let justice prevail in the court system.

New Business:

Mr. James Fenton approached and said it was his honor to present the 3 Star Program certificate to the city. Mr. Fenton advised this may be the last one as the program is going through a lot of serious changes. He is proud that Cheatham County and cities have risen to the highest level and with that said he presented the certification.

Mr. Fenton also said he asked the state for a situs report so he could advise the Council on the Triathlon he said he would need about 30-45 days to compile this information.

New Business:

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Yates, to Approve Ordinance #386 – Debt Policy on 1st reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Yates, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve Ordinance #387 – Amending Code Section 18-107 water policies on 1st reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Johnson-yes, Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Allen, to approve Ordinance #388 – regulating animal and vegetable oils and grease into the sewer system on 1st reading. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Gill-yes, Yates-yes, Johnson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill, to approve Resolution 2011-07 – Water and Sewer Dept Rules and Regulations. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Gill-yes, Yates-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Yates, seconded by Johnson to approve Resolution 2011-08 – Continued membership in the Regional Transportation Authority. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Yates, seconded by Binkley, to accept the ACH Agreement with Community Bank and Trust. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Yates-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Gill-yes, Johnson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Allen to award the fire dept's. bid for protective gear to the lowest bidder, G&C Supply in the amount of \$20,000. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Gill-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Yates-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Chief Coulon spoke to the Council about a new grant they received for \$15,000. He would like permission to accept this grant. Chief Coulon said he would use the grant to replace radar units and for DUI enforcement. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill, to accept the police grant. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Yates-yes, Allen-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Chief Coulon also advised the Council that approximately 2 years ago Brentwood gave us their used lap tops he has had 2 more that are broken and is requesting a transfer of \$3,000 from the Drug fund to the Drug fund budget to replace these 2 computer laptops. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Johnson, to approve the budget amendment for the drug fund. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Binkley-yes, Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Clarksville Disposal is under new ownership and they have sent out new contracts. Chief Noe said that they have been having problems with trash pickup at Station II and Melissa Womack said she has had problems recently at the Senior Center. Dwayne Noe said they have checked another company and they are all about the same price. After some discussion a motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Johnson to put the trash pickup out for bid. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mayor Norwood said he would like to recognize Ricky Binkley, Burt Adcock, Jared Eden, Malachi Mayuric, Kris Justice and Derek Noe for all the work they have done on city Hall they have done an outstanding job.

Other:

Mayor Norwood said he would like to see the public works building get repaired. Everyone has a hand out on the cost to repair the building. Dwayne Noe said that he has sat down with the Mayor and the guys going over the prices and labor and he feels that the figure he has given of \$146,142.5 is a good number. His guys will be doing most of the work they will hire out some of the repairs such as finishing the drywall they will put the drywall up and maybe tape it but they need someone to do the final finishing. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill to approve the expenditures to repair the public works building in the amount of \$146,142.50. Mr. LaCrosse said he would like to see a sketch on what is going to be done to the building. Mayor said this price also includes an area for Phyllis' records it will be a 26X22 area that is 2 levels and will be climate controlled with heat and air piped in. Mr. LaCrosse said he would like to see a separate expenditure line item set up to track the cost. Also, Mr. LaCrosse would like to see an evacuation plan before moving back in the building. Dwayne Noe again said that they will be trying to do most of the work themselves. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Gill-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Yates-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Chief Noe spoke to the Council about an IT proposal. The IT committee recommended moving forward with some issues. We are all over the board with what kind of computers we are buying and we want to have uniform computers. Another component is the hardware support that the city is paying out. Chief Noe is requesting that we bid out a new server that will basically host permissions, handle the city e-mail. This will give more control back to the city. LGDPC is doing this now and hardware is not their specialty. Mayor said if we could place the computer out to bid, to save time tonight this can be addressed further at the budget committee meeting. A motion was made by Yates, seconded by Johnson, to place a bid for an IT server. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Chief Noe also wanted the Council to know they have been awarded another Governors Highway Safety Grant in the amount of \$10,882.61 this is a no match grant and they will use it to pay for an instructor to teach the 1st responder and extrication classes and to purchase a couple of pieces of equipment.

Mayor Norwood brought up the Lafferty & Sons pay request. Chris Camp Dwayne Noe and the Mayor discussed and Mr. Camp checked the bill and said it was ok to pay. Dwayne Noe said that Lafferty has gone back and fixed the items he thought needed to be addressed. Mayor said he thinks we should pay the bill as they did the work. The concrete got poured into the pipes. This impacts us as the conduit is

basically useless to us. Lafferty & Sons thinks it was a communication problem and Chris Camp said they did not have a supervisor here overseeing the project any longer. After some discussion Ms. Noe suggested setting up an informal mediation with Lafferty and Lose & Associates.

A motion was made by Yates, seconded by LaCrosse to authorize a meeting with the Mayor, Lafferty & Sons and Lose & Associates. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Jimmy Gill asked what the city was going to do in regard to the police chaplain. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Johnson, to pay the chaplain \$100 a month. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Johnson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Yates-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Dwayne Noe talked about the street by the Ashland City Church of Christ. Gibbs Brothers repaired it from the flood. Now the city has put in 4 dump truck loads of rock they left it open to watch it hasn't moved any now since the last addition of rock.

Mayor Norwood advised the Council that the County got in touch with him and Jennifer. The Mayor has proposed due to budget restraints and the Fire Tax they want to start charging the city for the space where the police dept is. He wants the city to come up with a fair price. Mayor said that was another reason he wanted to get the public works building fixed so the county can purchase the trailer or the city can sell it off. Mr. LaCrosse said the county uses 70% of our senior center he hopes the relationship will get better.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Yates to pay the bills. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Johnson-yes, Yates-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Gill to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Gary Norwood, Mayor

Phyllis Schaeffer, City Recorder