

Town of Ashland City  
Board of Mayor and Council  
Ashland City, Tennessee  
January 8, 2013

The Board of Mayor and Council met in regular session on January 8, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Present and presiding: Mayor Johnson.

Council present: Steve Allen, Alwilda Binkley, Lisa Walker, Jimmy Gill, Chris LaCrosse, and Roger Jackson.

Others present: Melissa Womack, Michael Armstrong, Tony Young, Tim Adkins, Wade Reed, Chuck Walker, Dwayne Noe, Billy Harris, Marc Coulon, Anita Justice, Donnie Kemp, Jackie Kemp, Bill Powers, Paul Gupton, Pamela Binkley, Mary Glasgow and Phyllis Schaeffer.

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order and declared we have a quorum.

A motion was made by Gill, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve the December minutes as typed. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Public Forum: Mayor asked if anyone would like to approach Council with any concerns or comments. Ms. Pamela Binkley from 1024 Ross Hollow Rd came forward concerning her water bill. Ms. Binkley said she had an \$800 water bill. Mayor Johnson said her average bill is 76.29. This has been repaired and we have an affidavit. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Allen to adjust bill to a normal 6 month average. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Jackson-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor.

Mr. Donnie Kemp came forward on 2 of his rental properties from Forrest St. and Hwy 12 South. Mayor said the property at 124 Forrest St had a leak at the meter. This has been repaired, what are the wishes of the Council. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Binkley, to adjust to an average bill. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes. Mayor said the second is at 2121 Hwy 12 South Unit 142 a regular bill is \$79.98 Mr. Kemp said his bill was \$207.07 and this leak has been repaired. Mayor asked what are the wishes of the Council. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Walker to adjust to an average bill. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, Jackson-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mr. Kemp then asked the Council if they would consider not having a property owner put up a 50 dollar application each time a tenant moves out. Mayor advised he could leave the account in his name. Mr. LaCrosse said if they leave owing money you would be responsible for it anyway.

Mayor Johnson said he had an adjustment request from Omni Management for 308 Eisenhower Dr. Ms. Schaeffer said the unit was vacant and they did not realize there was a stream coming out of the shower faucet. It has since been fixed and there is an affidavit attached to the paperwork. There new bill also shows that the leak has been fixed. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Allen, to adjust this to an average minimum bill. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Ms. Ebert came forward to ask for help with her water bill. Mayor asked if she would have a seat to give Ms. Glasgow time to pull her paperwork.

While waiting Mayor went on with other agenda items.

Mayor Johnson said we have the TDEC contract to be approved and signed. This is on the 500,000 Disaster grant. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by LaCrosse, to approve said contract. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Jackson-yes, Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

The next item is the Dixieland contract. Mr. Young said he has spoken with them about changing the date but they are booked a year in advance so maybe in the 2014 year we can have it earlier. A motion was made by Binkley, seconded by Gill to approve the Dixieland Contract. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Binkley-yes, Gill-yes, Jackson-yes, Walker-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes and Mayor-yes. Mr. Allen asked if there was any interest of any others wanting to come. Mr. Young replied that Myers said 2 months was good as long as it wasn't the month before they were fine with it and they didn't want it in July.

A motion was made by Allen, seconded by Binkley to approve the U.S. Geological Survey Contract on the River Gage. Chief Walker said this is the same contract as last year our portion and the county's is \$3,500 and then they match it with federal matching funds. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, Jackson-yes, Gill-yes, LaCrosse-yes, and Mayor-yes.

All members of the Council were given a copy of the CT-0253 Report on Debt obligation on the Water and Sewer Revenue and Tax Refunding bonds, Series 2012A. A motion was made by Allen seconded by Gill that this was discussed in the meeting.

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Allen to approve the Data Equipment, Inc. agreement. Mr. LaCrosse asked if this was on our ID cards; didn't we get a new machine? Chief Coulon replied yes this is for maintenance on the machine and that it had been a couple of years since we had received the new machine. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, Gill-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mr. Harris said Compositech was a sole provider. That he has checked and Ms. Noe had checked and couldn't find anyone else. There was another company but they only work on their products. Our belt press is old and parts aren't available anymore. Compositech is going to be repairing our parts. Mr. LaCrosse asked about a warranty. Mr. Harris replied that there will be a one year warranty on parts and labor on any part they put in. Mr. Harris said a new press is anywhere from \$300,000 and up. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Allen to accept Compositech as a sole provider.

Ms. Noe talked about a piece of property on Vine St between the ball field and Mr. McKenzie's that is heir property and they are considering donating to the city. Ms. Noe said it is a small piece of property and she asked that a limit on the amount of the donation the tax assessment is \$4,300 and thinks we should stay with this figure or they can have it reappraised. Also, Ms. Noe requested the acceptance be contingent upon no issues with the title, no liens and the taxes paid. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Allen to accept the property with the requested contingencies. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, Gill-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes. Mr. LaCrosse asked if this property can be used for parking and will there be any problems with electrical

lines. Mr. Young replied that we can have 3-4 parking spaces. There is a sewer line and a ditch and that will give us easier access. Ms. Noe said this is not buildable per our codes-Mike.

Ms. Glasgow gave the Mayor the paperwork for Ms. Ebert' water account. Mayor advised she had not lived here that long and we had only a couple of months to use for an average. The problem was a leak between the meter and the house and Ms. Ebert said it had been repaired. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Allen to adjust the bill to an average of \$40.54 Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Allen-yes, Binkley-yes, Walker-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Jackson-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Mayor Johnson said the next item was the Order Agreement for the new fire boat. A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Walker, to accept the Order agreement. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: LaCrosse-yes, Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, Allen-yes, Jackson-yes, Gill-yes, and Mayor-yes.

Chief Coulon said he had been awarded the Hwy Safety Grant and he has the Innocorp, Ltd agreement for a simulated impaired driving vehicle and equipment. Mr. LaCrosse asked if this was all grant money and no match. Chief Coulon replied this is a 100 % grant. A motion was made by Gill seconded by Walker to approve the grant contract. Ms. Noe said she was fine with the contract the approval should be contingent upon the last page, the last sentence of paragraph 13 be marked through. The second and motion were amended to mark out the last sentence in paragraph 13. Motion passed with a roll call vote of: Gill-yes, Walker-yes, Binkley-yes, Jackson-yes, LaCrosse-yes, Allen-yes, and Mayor-yes.

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

A motion was made by LaCrosse, seconded by Gill to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

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Rick Johnson, Mayor

Phyllis Schaeffer, City Recorder