



City of Etowah

City Commission Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2021

1) Call to Order:

Mayor Burke Garwood called the meeting to order via teleconference due to Covid-19 social distancing requirement by state government. The meeting was televised live via Facebook

2) Roll Call

Mayor Garwood gave roll call and all commissioner joined by phone. Also present were Building Inspector Jon Troutt and Chief Daniel Hampton, City Manager Tuggle and Eva Valentine.

Prayer--Vice-Mayor Swayne prayed.

3) Pledge of Allegiance- Led by Mayor Burke Garwood

4) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES—

REGULAR-----01/25/2021

SPECIAL CALLED----02/10/2021

Vice-Mayor Swayne made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from 01/25/2021 Mayor Garwood seconded. Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

Mayor Garwood made a motion to approve the special called meeting minutes from 02/10/2021 and Commissioner James seconded. Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Approval of Purchase of Pool Furniture (3 Quotes)

After some discussion there was a consensus to set aside this decision until the March meeting.

b. Diving Board Discussion

After some discussion Mayor Garwood made a motion to approve the diving board in the amount of \$15,802.00 and Commissioner James seconded the motion and Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

c. Consideration and Approval of Pool Signage

Mayor Garwood made a motion to approve the Pool Signage cost in the amount of \$15,000.00 and Commissioner James seconded the motion. Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

d. Etowah Housing Authority Appointees

1. Appoint Matt Harper to Committee
2. Accept Resignation of Dean Robinson
3. Reappoint Bud Meyers and Linda Gray to Committee

After some discussion there was a consensus reached to appoint Matt Harper to the EHA, reappoint Bud Meyers and Linda Gray to the EHA and to accept the resignation of Dean Robinson.

e. Special Recognition for Fire Chief Hafley and Patrol Supervisor Weir, Police Chief Hampton, and Captain Norwood

City Manager Tuggle gave special recognition certificates in regard to their life-saving activities in recent months to Fire Chief Hafley, Police Chief Daniel Hampton, Captain Tonia Norwood, and Patrol Supervisor Justin Weir. Police Chief Hampton was present to receive his certificate at the meeting.

f. Consideration and Approval of Expanding the Active Network to Pool and Upgrading the Community Center

Mayor Garwood made a motion to approve the purchase of additional hardware to support the Pool operation and improve the operation at the Community Center by adding scanners and Vice-Mayor Swayne seconded the motion. Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

g. Consider Options Available for Backhoe Repair or Replacement

Mayor Garwood made a motion to approve the Cat Lease 420 and Vice-Mayor Swayne seconded the motion. Mayor Garwood took roll call. Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote. Commissioner Elrod inquired as to the maintenance and suggested there be a PM program established and sustained for all equipment.

h. Cardin Street Repair

Vice-Mayor Swayne made a motion to continue work from Cardin Street to Kimbrough Street Mayor Garwood seconded. Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

i. Consideration and First Reading of Ordinance 865

ORDINANCE NO. 865

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING Chapter 116
MOBILE FOOD UNITS for TITLE XI: BUSINESS REGULATIONS**

Vice-Mayor Swayne made a motion to approve Ordinance 865 and Commissioner James seconded the motion and Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

j. Approval of Budget Calendar

There was a consensus to approve the Budget Calendar with only one change regarding the May meeting being changed to May 27th. It was later determined, after polling all commissioners that Vice-Mayor Swayne would be unable to attend on May 27th and Commissioner Elrod would be unable to attend May 24th. Later Mayor Garwood made the decision to maintain the schedule as presented to the Commission for the May meeting to be held on Monday, May 24, 2021.

k. Consideration and First Reading of Ordinance 866

ORDINANCE NO. 866

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR
THE CITY OF ETOWAH, TENNESSEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021**

Vice-Mayor Swayne made a motion to approve Ordinance 866 and Commissioner James seconded the motion and Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

A) Approval and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 864 (Originally 861)

ORDINANCE NO. 864

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR
THE CITY OF ETOWAH, TENNESSEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021**

Mayor Garwood made a motion to approve Ordinance 864 and Vice-Mayor Swayne seconded the motion and Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

b. Approval and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 863

ORDINANCE NO. 863

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE V, CHAPTER 52
OF THE ETOWAH MUNICIPAL CODE**

Mayor Garwood made a motion to approve Ordinance 863 and Commissioner Elrod seconded the motion and Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye, and Commissioner Elrod-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

City Managers Report

City Manager Tuggle reviewed her report and advised there would be a Zoom meeting with Southeastern Development and DR Horton within the next two weeks. The clean-up for the South Industrial Park is \$99,000.00 and there was a consensus to delay starting the clean-up until McMinn County and EUB are both onboard with contributing \$50,000.00 each toward this initial cost.

Citizen Comments via Facebook:

Ms. Brackett suggested a Maintenance Checklist. Ms. Tuggle advised this was already being done daily.

Unscheduled Items:

Vice-Mayor Swayne requested the debris at the intersection of Hwy 411 and Hwy 30 be cleaned up.

Mayor Garwood advised the meetings would be returning to open meetings as soon as possible.

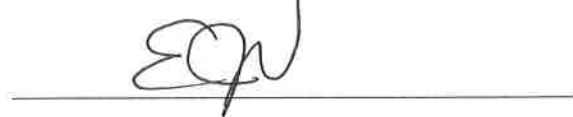
Commissioner Webb expressed her appreciation in the repair of the Cross-walk lights.

Adjournment:

Commissioner James made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Garwood seconded. All Ayes.

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Burke Garwood, Mayor

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Eva Valentine", written over a horizontal line.

Eva Valentine, Recording Secretary