

**MINUTES
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 20, 2021**

Board present

Mayor Ann Schneider
Vice Mayor Tim Harris
Alderman Emily Green
Alderman Bobby Trotter
Alderman Jeff Gragg
Alderman James Hubbard
Alderman Lisa Arnold

Staff present

City Manager Ryan Martin
Assistant City Manager Candice Tillman
City Recorder Lisa Crockett
City Attorney Christy Bartee
City Clerk Kimberly Brickles

- 1.0 Call to order 6:00 P.M.
- 1.1 Pledge of allegiance to the American flag.
- 1.2 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen held March 16, 2021. The motion was seconded by Alderman Arnold and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 1.3 Public Hearing:
1. Ordinance 21-03 an ordinance establishing a new fee schedule and calculation method for building permits.
 2. Ordinance 21-04 an ordinance establishing a new permit fee schedule for mechanical & gas piping systems.
- 1.4 The Retail Coach presented a project update regarding retail recruitment.

2.0 Legislative

- 2.1 Alderman Gragg moved to approve Ordinance 21-01 on third and final reading. An ordinance amending the fiscal year 2021 annual budget for the City of Springfield by amending certain general fund and utility fund operating budgets. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

General Fund revenues increased \$18,702 to \$186,341 from \$167,639 (Transfers in from Restricted Fund Balance \$18,702 – 2018 Bonds – Salt Shed). Total General Fund revenues increased from \$20,044,510 to \$20,063,212.

Total General Fund expenditures increased as follows:

Streets - \$18,702 (Salt Shed) Total Street expenditures increased from \$2,350,519 to \$2,369,221.

Total General Fund expenditures increased from \$20,937,146 to \$20,955,848.

- 2.2 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-02 on third and final reading. An ordinance establishing the schedule of fees for City of Springfield Cemeteries by rescinding Ordinance 13-07 in its entirety and substituting a new schedule of fees as set forth in “Exhibit A” attached. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.3 Alderman Gragg moved to approve Ordinance 21-03 on second reading. An ordinance establishing a new fee schedule and calculation method for building permits. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.4 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-04 on second reading. An ordinance establishing a new permit fee schedule for mechanical & gas piping systems. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.5 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Resolution 21-09 on third and final reading. A resolution annexing approximately 15.30 acres of property owned by Clay Jones Construction, LLC, located in the 9th Civil District including a portion of right-of-way of Wallace Road of approximately 0.46 acres. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.6 Alderman Green moved to approve Resolution 21-10 on third and final reading. A resolution annexing approximately 5.00 acres of property owned by Equity Trust Company, located in the 9th Civil District including a portion of right-of-way of Lahr Road of approximately 0.17 acres. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.7 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Resolution 21-16. A resolution declaring certain property surplus and authorizing the disposal of such property. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The surplus property included items from the Fire and IT Departments.

- 2.8 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve Resolution 21-17. A resolution declaring certain real property surplus and authorizing the disposal of such property. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The real property (080P A 009.00) is located at 724 Central Avenue West.

3.0 Administrative

- 3.1 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve the monthly TVA wholesale fuel cost adjustment of \$0.01726 per kilowatt hour effective May 1, 2021. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The resulting retail rate is 3.6% lower than last month and will result in a \$2.58 to \$4.03 decrease in the average residential electric bill.

- 3.2 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve the adjustment of monthly gas rates of the Springfield Gas Department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) increased to \$0.3529 or 1.64% from the previous month. The actual increase in rates across the board averaged .95%.

- 3.3 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve the appointment of Gina Holt to the Beer Board as a representative of Ward 4 to fulfill the unexpired term of Bayard Shelton. The term will expire June 30, 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderman Trotter and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

Mayor Schneider thanked Bayard Shelton for his service to the beer board and stated for the record that he had moved outside the city limits.

- 3.4 Alderman Gragg moved to approve an Interlocal Agreement to convey a dump truck to the Robertson County Board of Education. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The dump truck is a 1988 Ford F-700, VIN: 1HTDCAAR4WH543285.

- 3.5 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Change Order #1 to the CSXT drainage project at Memorial Boulevard contract with Garney Construction in the amount of \$6,156.04. The new contract amount will be \$1,376,485.04. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 3.6 Alderman Hubbard moved to ratify the emergency purchase of HVAC units at The Legacy Golf Course. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 3.7 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve the proposed FY 2021-2022 annual budget for the Springfield-Robertson County Joint Airport board. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and failed by a 0-7 electronic vote.

The Airport board also made a presentation regarding a request for funding thirty (30) new hangars. The Board of Mayor and Aldermen asked the Airport board to return with a balanced budget for consideration of approval.

- 4.0 Consent

Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve the entire consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Alderman Trotter and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 4.1 Fire Department's request to purchase extrication equipment in the amount of \$21,545 from Rescue 1 of Lawrenceburg, TN as a sole source. Budget: \$21,545

- 4.2 Electric Department's request to award the bid for holophane LED street light fixtures in the amount of \$23,748.10 to Power Supply Company of Chattanooga, TN. Budget: \$150,000

- 4.3 Electric Department's request to award the bid for software and services for SCADA in the amount of \$88,804 to Minsait ACS of Peachtree Corners, GA. Budget: \$2,000,000
- 4.4 Electric Department's request to purchase seven (7) Versa Collectors and twelve hundred (1,200) Itron AMI meters in the amount of \$218,200 from Anixter of Glenview, IL as a sole source. Budget: \$2,000,000
- 4.5 Water Department's request to award the bid for the water treatment plant filter rehabilitation project in the amount of \$212,242 to Tech Coat, Inc. of Knoxville, TN. Budget: \$221,000
- 4.6 Legacy Golf Course's request to purchase a greens roller in the amount of \$18,950 utilizing State Contract 00066048 SWC 242 from Greenville Turf & Tractor of Piedmont, SC. Budget: \$22,000
- 5.0 City Manager's Report

During City Manager Ryan Martin's report, he reported that:


- The request for qualifications (RFQ) for the system development study has been published. The recommendation will be brought to the board at the June meeting.
- The Freedom Fest celebration will be held Sunday, July 4, 2021 from 3:30 – 9:30 PM at the Robertson County Fairgrounds. Ricky Skaggs will be the headliner for the concert sponsored by Grace Baptist Church. There will also be carnival rides and the fireworks show is scheduled to begin at 9:00 PM.
- The CSXT project on Memorial Blvd has been completed and was successful as there was no flooding during recent storms.
- The local asphalt plant had a fire recently and is currently shutdown for repairs. Projects requiring asphalt are on hold until the plant reopens and he asked the public to be patient with us as we await their reopening.
- Staff is focusing efforts on ways to improve the city's hiring process and the recruitment of qualified minority applicants in order to have a more accurate representation of the diverse community we serve.
- The proposed FY22 budget will be delivered to the board this week.
- Disc golf at J. Travis Price Park opened last Sunday and has proven to be very popular.

Mayor Schneider asked everyone to participate in the city-wide clean-up day on Saturday, April 24, 2021 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 12:00 PM. Supplies will be available at City Hall and you can register online at www.springfieldtn.gov to participate.

Vice Mayor Harris asked the reasoning for moving the Freedom Fest to the Robertson County Fairgrounds. Staff felt it was much more conducive to hold the event at the fairgrounds.

6.0 Adjournment

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting.


Ann Schneider
Ann Schneider, Mayor

Attest:


Lisa H. Crockett
Lisa H. Crockett, City Recorder