

**MINUTES
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 21, 2021**

Board present

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

Staff present

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

Board absent

Alderman Bobby Trotter

- 1.0 Call to order 6:00 P.M.
- 1.1 Pledge of allegiance to the American flag.
- Mayor Schneider offered her condolences to the family of city employee Brandon Gillespie. Brandon worked for the city for 9 years and passed away from Covid-19.
- 1.2 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen held August 17, 2021. The motion was seconded by Alderman Arnold and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 1.3 Public Hearing:
1. Ordinance 21-24, an ordinance rezoning a portion of one (1) parcel located on West Hillcrest Drive from Commercial Services (CS) District to Medium Density Residential (R10) District.
 2. Ordinance 21-25, an ordinance amending Chapter 8 of the Springfield Zoning ordinance pertaining to landscaping requirements.
- 2.0 Legislative
- 2.1 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-16 on third and final reading. An ordinance to require premises identification through numbering of properties in the City of Springfield. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.

- 2.2 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 21-17 on third and final reading. An ordinance amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by amending certain General Fund and Utility Fund operating budgets. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green.

Vice Mayor Harris moved to amend to include amended "Exhibit A". The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.

The main motion, as amended, was brought back to the floor and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.

- 2.3 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 21-18 on second reading. An ordinance amending Title 8 of the Springfield Municipal Code entitled "Alcoholic Beverages" by amending Chapter 2 entitled "Beer" by rescinding Sections 8-215 entitled "Revocation of Beer Permits" and 8-216 entitled "Civil Penalty in Lieu of Suspension" in their entirety and substituting a new Section 8-215. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.4 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-19 on third and final reading. An ordinance rezoning three (3) parcels located in the 9th Civil District. One (1) located on RA Benton Lane from Medium Density Residential District (R10) to Multiple Residential and Office District (MRO), and two (2) parcels located on South Main Street from Low Density Residential District (R40) to Multiple Residential and Office District (MRO). The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.5 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve Ordinance 21-20 on third and final reading. An ordinance rezoning two (2) parcels located on Hall Lane from Commercial General District (CG) to Multiple Residential and Office District (MRO). The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.6 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-21 on third and final reading. An ordinance rezoning three (3) parcels located on New Chapel Road from Medium Density Residential District with a Planned Unit Development overlay (R15 PUD) to Medium Density Residential (R15) District. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.7 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-22 on third and final reading. An ordinance rezoning portions of two (2) parcels located on William A. Batson Parkway from Low Density Residential District with a Planned Unit Development overlay (RS20 PUD) to Low Density Residential (RS20) District. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.8 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-23 on third and final reading. An ordinance amending Title 5 of the Springfield Municipal Code by enacting a privilege tax upon the occupancy in any hotel or motel. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.

- 2.9 Alderman Gragg moved to approve Ordinance 21-24 on second reading. An ordinance rezoning a portion of one (1) parcel located on West Hillcrest Drive from Commercial Services (CS) District to Medium Density Residential (R10) District. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.10 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-25 on second reading. An ordinance amending Chapter 8 of the Springfield Zoning ordinance pertaining to landscaping requirements. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 5-1 electronic vote. Ayes: Harris, Hubbard, Schneider, Arnold, Green
Nay: Gragg
- 2.11 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-26 on first reading. An ordinance discontinuing water tap fees with the City of Greenbrier, TN service area. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.12 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 21-27 on first reading. An ordinance rezoning two (2) parcels located on Tom Austin Highway from Agricultural (A) District to Multiple Residential and Office (MRO) District. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.13 Alderman Green moved to approve Resolution 21-28. A resolution authorizing the appropriation of funds in the fiscal year 2022 Annual Budget for the financial aid of nonprofit charitable and nonprofit civic organizations in accordance with Section 6-54-111, Tennessee Code Annotated. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.14 Alderman Green moved to approve Resolution 21-29. A resolution to petition the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee to amend the Municipal Charter of the City of Springfield, Tennessee regarding competitive purchasing and legislative action. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.15 Alderman Green moved to approve Resolution 21-30. A resolution authorizing the issuance, sale and payment of up to \$155,000 of capital outlay notes of the City of Springfield, Tennessee and levying ad valorem taxes for the payment of the notes. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.0 Administrative
- 3.1 Alderman Green moved to approve the monthly TVA wholesale fuel cost adjustment of \$0.01997 per kilowatt hour effective October 1, 2021. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
The resulting retail rate is 3.3% lower than last month and will result in a \$2.44 to \$3.81 decrease in the average residential electric bill.

- 3.2 Alderman Green moved to approve the adjustment of monthly gas rates of the Springfield Gas Department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
The Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) increased to \$0.4716 or 9.57% from the previous month. The actual increase in rates across the board averaged 5.97%.
- 3.3 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve amendment number 11 to Task Order 3A with Gresham, Smith and Partners in the amount of \$27,850 for flow monitoring services. The revised task order amount will be \$1,311,258.55. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.4 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve a professional services contract with Community Development Partners in the amount of \$50,000 for the development of a Five-Year Master Plan for the City of Springfield Parks and Recreation Department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.5 Alderman Green moved to approve an annual agreement with the Regional Transportation Authority of Middle TN in the amount of \$15,000 for bus service between Springfield and Nashville. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.6 Alderman Green moved to approve a request to purchase a vehicle for the police department in the amount of \$21,000 from the Missouri Highway Patrol surplus program. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.7 Alderman Green moved to approve a contract with Patterson & Dewar Engineers in the amount of \$265,000 to perform engineering services for the Electric Department in Fiscal Year 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.8 Alderman Green moved to approve a proposal for engineering services from Griggs and Maloney for the new wastewater treatment plant. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 4.0 Consent
- Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve the entire consent docket. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 4.1 Fire Department's request to purchase seven (7) sets of firefighting turn-out gear in the amount of \$19,425 from Safe Industries of Easley, SC utilizing HGAC Buy Contract #EE08-19. Budget: \$20,000

- 4.2 Water/Wastewater Department's request to purchase three (3) controllers in the amount of \$51,500 for wastewater lift stations from Nedrow & Associates, Inc. of Murfreesboro, TN as a sole source. Budget: \$51,000
- 4.3 Water/Wastewater Department's request to purchase a pump for the East Hillcrest Pump Station in the amount of \$27,827.56 from Wascon, Inc. of Livingston, TN as a sole source. Budget: \$500,000
- 4.4 Public Works Department's request to purchase an airburner in the amount of \$136,777.40 from Air Burners of Palm City, FL. Budget: \$136,778
- 4.5 Electric Department's request to award the bid for pad mount transformers in the amount of \$165,998 to Central Maloney through Power Supply Co. of Chattanooga, TN and Howard Industries through Stuart Irby of La Vergne, TN. Budget: Capital Improvement
- 5.0 City Manager's Report

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

- The city lost another active employee to Covid-19 and offered his condolences to the family of Brandon Gillespie.
- HCA and Northcrest closed on the deal for HCA to acquire Northcrest Medical Center.
- Staff is continuing to work on the city's health insurance program and will bring suggestions to the board. One option is to partner with the Robertson County School System on a near site clinic. More information will be available in the near future.
- Sales tax collections are \$162,000 over budget for the first two months of the year.
- The Springfield Robertson County Airport is hosting a Fly-In and Open House at the airport Saturday, October 2nd from 10 am until 6 pm.
- The Historic Springfield Event Coordinators is partnering with the city to host a Fall Family Festival on Friday, October 22nd from 6 pm until 9 pm. Buzzy Poole and the Fortunate Sons will provide the entertainment.
- Due to shortages of supplies and materials, as well as vendors not honoring prices for more than a few days, it is possible that staff will need to make emergency purchases. If emergency purchases are required, they will be brought before the board for ratification.
- The city's K9, Axel, recently passed away due to complications from surgery. Please remember his handler and those at the Police Department.
- There will be a special called meeting on October 26th at 5:30 pm, as well as a public meeting at 4 pm in the board room, for a discussion led by TischlerBise, Inc., the consultant hired to perform a system development fee study for the city.
- He congratulated Mayor Schneider for being elected to the board of directors of the Tennessee Municipal League (TML) at the recent TML Conference. She will represent District 5 of Tennessee.

6.0 Adjournment

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting.



Ann Schneider, Mayor

Attest:



Lisa H. Crockett, City Recorder