

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 19, 2021**

**Board present**

Mayor Ann Schneider  
Vice Mayor Tim Harris  
Alderman Bobby Trotter  
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  
City Clerk Kimberly Brickles

**Board absent**

Alderman Emily Green

- 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 September 21, 2021. The motion was seconded by Alderman Arnold and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 1.3 Public Hearing:
1. Ordinance 21-26, an ordinance discontinuing water tap fees with the City of Greenbrier, TN service area.
  2. Ordinance 21-27, an ordinance rezoning two (2) parcels located on Tom Austin Highway from Agricultural (A) District to Multiple Residential and Office (MRO) District.
- 2.0 Legislative
- 2.1 Alderman Gragg moved to approve Ordinance 21-24 on third and final 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.
- 2.2 Discuss and possibly take action on Ordinance 21-25 on third and final reading. An ordinance amending Chapter 8 of the City of Springfield Zoning Ordinance pertaining to landscaping requirements. No action taken.

- 2.3 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 21-26 on second reading. An ordinance discontinuing water tap fees with the City of Greenbrier, TN service area. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.4 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 21-27 on second 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 Alderman Gragg and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.5 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 21-28 on first reading. An ordinance rescinding Ordinance 01-19 in its entirety and establishing a new schedule of rates and charges for the Springfield Gas System. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.6 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve Ordinance 21-29 on first reading. An ordinance amending Chapter 5 of the City of Springfield Zoning Ordinance pertaining to event houses. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.7 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 21-30 on first reading. An ordinance amending Title 18, Chapter 3 of the Springfield Municipal Code pertaining to NPDES permit limits at the wastewater treatment plant. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 2.8 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve Resolution 21-31. A resolution declaring certain property surplus and authorizing the disposal of such property. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.

The surplus property included items from the Parks and Recreation Department and the Water/Wastewater Department.

- 2.9 Discuss and possibly take action on Resolution 21-32. A resolution establishing a landscaping and tree fund. No action taken.

### 3.0 Administrative

- 3.1 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve the monthly TVA wholesale fuel cost adjustment of \$0.02193 per kilowatt hour effective November 1, 2021. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote. The resulting retail rate is 2.3% higher than last month and will result in a \$1.63 to \$2.55 increase in the average residential electric bill.
- 3.2 Vice Mayor Harris 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 \$0.5082 or 7.76% from the previous month. The actual increase in rates across the board averaged 4.99%.

- 3.3 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve an offer from Adam Hefner in the amount of \$85,000 to purchase 5.74 acres in the North Industrial Park. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.4 Alderman Gragg moved to approve the 2021-2022 Community Based Traffic Safety Enforcement and Education Grant in the amount of \$20,000 from the Tennessee Highway Safety Office. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.5 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve a proposal for the civil engineering inspection for the William A. Batson Parkway Extension in the amount of \$883,000 to CSR Engineering, Inc. of Pleasant View, TN. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.6 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve a contract with TDOT to receive funds from the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) in the amount of \$203,901.96 to be applied to the William A. Batson Parkway Extension Project. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.7 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve a proposal from Gresham Smith in the amount of \$30,000 to conduct a fiber-to-the home study. The motion was seconded by Alderman Arnold and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote.
- 3.8 Vice Mayor Harris moved to ratify emergency purchases from the electric department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-0 electronic vote. The purchases were for PUPI arms from Border States in the amount of \$12,161.45 and from Power Supply in the amount of \$8,739.50.
- 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 Community Development Department's request to award the bid for the demolition of the Precision Products property located at 1100 Central Avenue in the amount of \$71,700 to Modern Day Wrecking of Nashville, TN.
- 4.2 Police Department's request to purchase two (2) Dodge Durango patrol vehicles in the amount of \$84,600 from Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram of Columbia, TN utilizing state contract # 209-RXRYQ2914-02. Budget: \$165,600
- 4.3 Water/Wastewater Department's request to purchase a Takeuchi mini-excavator in the amount of \$68,898.95 from Parman Tractor and Equipment of Nashville, TN utilizing state contract #SWC-220. Budget: \$70,000
- 4.4 Water/Wastewater Department's request to purchase a tractor in the amount of \$42,800 from Montgomery County Equipment of Clarksville, TN. Budget: \$45,000

- 4.5 Gas Department's request to purchase two (2) 2022 Chevrolet 3500HD 4WD crew cab work trucks in the amount of \$116,402.88 from Wilson County Motors of Lebanon, TN utilizing state contract 064414 SWC#209. Budget: \$120,000
- 4.6 Electric Department's request to award the bid for one hundred and twenty-five (125) security lights in the amount of \$18,000 to Wesco Utility of Nashville, TN and one hundred and twenty-five (125) street/flood lights in the amount of \$58,125 to Stuart C. Irby of LaVergne, TN.
- 4.7 Fire Department's request to purchase a 2020 Sandstorm brush truck in the amount of \$129,000 from 911 Rapid Response, LLC of Annville, PA. Budget: \$145,000

Mayor Schneider asked that everyone make plans to attend the Friday Night Market that will be held on Friday, October 22. This is the final market of the season and will be a Fall Family Festival.

#### 5.0 City Manager's Report

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

- The upcoming Fall Family Festival would feature The Fortunate Sons and Mr. Perry's School of Rock.
- Covid-19 cases have improved dramatically both locally and regionally, as well as state wide.
- The city experienced a huge economic boost in the last month when Austin Peay State University Women's Golf hosted an Intercollegiate Invitational golf tournament at The Legacy Golf Course. Ten (10) women's golf teams from five (5) different states participated. The hotels in town were full and our restaurants received a boost as well.
- The Springfield P/B Hattie B's Racing Cyclocross bicycle race was held at J. Travis Price Park on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. The race is a USA Cycling sanctioned event that had dozens of participants.
- The Special Needs Fishing Rodeo was also held at J. Travis Price Park over the weekend.
- Sales tax revenue is up. After the August sales tax numbers were released, we are \$250,000 ahead of budget.
- The September unemployment number for Robertson County was 3.3%; one of the lowest numbers in the state.
- Paving and millwork will begin on Main Street on October 21<sup>st</sup>. They will start on North Main Street and work toward downtown.
- An appeal has been filed for a slum clearance property and needs to come before the Board. The Board agreed to hear the appeal immediately following the November 16<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. Staff will advertise accordingly.

6.0 Adjournment

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting.

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Ann Schneider, Mayor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa H. Crockett". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Lisa H. Crockett, City Recorder