

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman on September 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Present: John Clough
Kelly Coleman
Rex Dale
Ken Dodson
David Langford
Chris Speck

Alderman Absent: None

Mayor Curtis Hayes called the meeting to order.

Kelly Coleman made the motion to accept the minutes as handed out. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to delete item 13 (appoint Jill Robbins to BZA) and change item 13 to State Form CT-0253. John Clough seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to adopt the second reading on Ordinance 2020-8-1. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and David Langford no.

Ray Evans of the Downtown Revitalization Committee reported that the sidewalk project had been approved and are now waiting for notice to proceed. He stated that the paperwork on the courthouse square project had been submitted to TDOT.

Kelly Coleman made the motion to appoint Shannon Cantrell to the Downtown Revitalization Board to replace Greg McDonald. David Langford seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Shannon Cantrell report that Livingston was approved for the arts grant in the amount of \$1195.00. This is a 50/50 grant. She stated that this should cover 2 murals to be painted on buildings which would be at the owner's expense.

Greg Davenport of J. R. Wauford & Co. discussed the control valves at the raw water intake. He reported that they are beginning to malfunction. He recommended that both valves be replaced. The cost would be \$114,050.00. This would not be a bid out project because it would be considered an emergency repair. He recommended that a purchase order be issued to Southern Sales for the 2 valves in the amount of \$114,050.00.

Rex Dale made the motion to buy the valves as Greg Davenport recommended. John Clough seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Fire Chief Rocky Dial gave a report on the duties of the firemen that had been requested at last month's meeting.

Fire Chief Dial recommended that Jason Huggins and Robert Holt be hired as firemen.

David Langford made the motion to hire Jason Huggins and Robert Holt as firemen. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes presented Ordinance 2020-9-1 (Changes to sign ordinance).

After discussion, Kelly Coleman made the motion to adopt the first reading on Ordinance 2020-9-1. David Langford seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-9-1(Hazard Mitigation Plan). John Clough seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to approve the hiring of Blake Hargis, Cody Jackson and Brandon Upton for the water department. David Langford seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Rex Dale made the motion to hire 2 employees for the street department. Kelly Coleman seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes stated that these new hires were for vacancies that had not been previously filled.

Chief Etheredge reported that Adrianna Wattenbarger had resigned and that Chelsea Malcolm was also resigning as dispatcher. He stated that Officer Jordan Danner has accepted a position with THP. Chief Etheredge recommended that Tracy Dishman be hired to replace Adrianna Wattenbarger and Max Goodpaster be hired to replace Jordan Danner. He will fill the other dispatcher vacancy in the near future.

David Langford made the motion to hire Tracy Dishman as dispatcher, Max Goodpaster as police officer and to hire someone for the open dispatcher position. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to hire Andrew Mansell as water plant operator. Kelly Coleman seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Kelly Coleman made the motion to appoint John Clough to the Planning Commission. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes reported that only one bid was received for street paving. The bid was from Rogers Group for \$92.00 per ton. The contract is from September 9, 2020 to November 9, 2020.

Chris Speck made the motion to approve the bid from Rogers Group. Kelly Coleman seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes presented State Form CT-0253(Street Paving funds).

John Clough made the motion to approve Form CT-0253. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Will Rogers of United Systems and Software gave a presentation on the automatic meter reading system. The cost of this would be approximately 1.8 million dollars. No action was taken on this matter at this time.

Ken Dodson made the motion to adjourn. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Clerk