

Regular meeting of the Livingston Mayor and Board of Alderman on January 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Present: Rex

Dale

Ronald Dishman

Ken Dodson

David Langford

Chris Speck

Alderman Absent:

Kelly Coleman

Mayor Curtis Hayes called the meeting to order.

David Langford made the motion to accept the minutes as handed out. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Ken Dodson made the motion to add item 11 (Corrected Budget Ordinance) to the agenda. Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Warren Nevad of MTAS presented Mayor Hayes and the City of Livingston a Community Excellence Award from the Tennessee Renewable Energy Economic Council.

Shannon Cantrell gave an update on the Main Street Community application.

Ray Evans presented Resolution 2020-1-1 (A resolution requesting that the United States Postal Service adequately and properly maintain the Livingston Post Office). He stated that the Postmaster has turned in a work order to his supervisor in North Carolina. Congressman Rose has been given a copy of this resolution.

Alderman Dishman stated that the post office needs to be ADA accessible.

After discussion, Chris Speck made the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-1-1. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Ray Evans presented Resolution 2020-1-2 (A resolution modifying the membership structure of the Livingston Downtown Revitalization Committee).

Rex Dale made the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-1-2. Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Ray Evans stated that Mark Dudley and Shannon Cantrell would be coming off the committee and recommended that Gene Gantt and Todd Matthews be appointed to the committee.

Chris Speck made the motion to appoint Gene Gantt and Todd Matthews to the Downtown Revitalization committee. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Ray Evans, Chairman of the Downtown Revitalization Committee, presented a change to the Main Stage Rental policy. It will cost \$200.00 for the first four hours and \$50.00 per hour thereafter not exceeding a total of eight hours.

Alderman Langford stated that he was against charging non-profits for the use of the stage.

Alderman Dishman ask if receipts could be shown for every event that was held at Central Park.

Mayor Hayes stated that receipts could be shown and stated that the fees were for sound engineer, clean-up, etc.

Alderman Dale ask if the fee could be waived in certain situations.

Ray Evans stated that they were trying to treat everyone exactly the same.

Ken Dodson made the motion to approve the changes to the rental policies. Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 3 yes with David Langford and Ronald Dishman voting no.

Alan Lingerfelt of Centerpoint Energy gave an update on the natural gas market. He stated that a mild winter has kept the gas prices low.

Ben Winningham of UC EMC gave an update on the LED lighting projects. He reported that Windle Road and Hwy. 85 had been finished. He stated that they have started around the By-Pass. They weren't able to work during the holidays because TDOT did not want work done on their right-of-way during this time. He stated that after the by-pass was complete they will do West Main out to Huddle House.

He commended the Livingston Police Department for providing traffic control during the installation.

Ken Dodson made the motion to appoint Ray Evans to the Property Maintenance Advisory Board to replace Randall Alsip who had resigned. Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 3 yes with David Langford and Ronald Dishman voting no.

City Attorney John Meadows presented Ordinance 2020-1-1 (Amending Section 13-102 of Title 13, Property Maintenance Regulations of the Town of Livingston). He stated that the purpose of this ordinance is to expand and further clarify the definition of "debris," "trash", "junk" and/or "rubbish" and to further strengthen the Town's Property Maintenance Regulations. He stated that this ordinance had been reviewed by MTAS.

Rex Dale made the motion to adopt the first reading on Ordinance 2020-1-1. Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 3 yes with Ronald Dishman and David Langford voting no.

David Langford made the motion to approve the purchase of a 2020 Chevrolet 3500 HD Diesel truck for the water department in the amount of \$47,320.50 (state bid from Wilson County Motors). Ronald Dishman seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Chris Speck made the motion to approve the purchase of a 2020 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 HD Gasoline truck for the Gas Department in the amount of \$38,097.70 (state bid from Wilson County Motors). Rex Dale seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Police Chief Greg Etheredge recommended that Josh Williams and Dusty Clouse be hired as police officers. They would be replacing the officers that were transferred to SRO.

David Langford made the motion to approve the hiring of Josh Williams and Dusty Clouse as police officers. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes presented Ordinance 2020-1-2 (An amended budget ordinance for the FY 2019-2020).

According to CMFO Joel Parks, he had omitted a projected transfer to Street Aid from General in the original Budget Ordinance and that the state requested that an amended ordinance be adopted.

Rebecca Clayton gave a report on the Hazardous Mitigation Plan. She reviewed the process of obtaining funds to purchase property affected by the flooding. She stated that any purchase would be strictly voluntary from the property owners. She stated that FEMA would pay 75%, the State would pay 12.5% and the local government would pay 12.5%.

Ken Dodson made the motion to adjourn. Chris Speck seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes and 0 no.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Vice-Mayor