

**BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (BMA)  
SPECIAL CALL  
MINUTES FOR  
January 30, 2023**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Tullahoma, Coffee and Franklin Counties, Tennessee assembled at the Municipal Building, in Tullahoma, for a Special Call meeting on Monday, January 30, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Ray Knowis presiding and the following named members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen: Jenna Amacher, Daniel Berry, Kurt Glick, Jerry Mathis, Derick Mann and Bobbie Wilson. All Board Members were present.

Jennifer Moody, City Administrator; Mr. Stephen M. Worsham, City Attorney and Rosemary Golden, City Recorder were present at the meeting.

Mayor Ray Knowis called the meeting to order.

City Recorder Rosemary Golden performed the reading of the call and asked the Mayor and Aldermen to sign the sheet before they leave this evening.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:**

Ms. Rupa Blackwell, 213 Lake Circle Drive, she thanked Ms. Jennifer Moody for her service to the City.

Mr. Jim Woodard, 115 Breckenridge Drive, stated Ms. Jennifer Moody was a tremendous asset to the city. He thanked her for her hard work, knowledge, and contacts.

Mr. Jackie Duncan, 507 South Washington Street, thanked Ms. Jennifer Moody for her service and gave her a framed poem.

Ms. Jessica Fogarty, 2316 Ovoca Road, thanked Ms. Jennifer Moody for her service to the city and citizens.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ITEM NO. 23-21 – CONSIDER A SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTING AN INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR.**

Mayor Knowis read the caption for Agenda Item No. 23-21 and he stated the details can be found starting on page 2 of tonight's agenda.

A long discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mayor Knowis to advertise in the morning to accept applications for the Interim City Administrator's job and then bring back the applications to the BMA meeting on February 13, 2023, for a vote. This motion failed for a lack of a second.

Another long discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Alderman Amacher and seconded by Alderman Wilson to appoint three (3) department heads as a triad (Rosemary Golden, Chief Pearson and Sue Wilson) as Interim City Administrators and let them determine what their strong suits are and how to best serve our city going forward as Interim for right now.

Another discussion ensued.

On roll call all members present voted as follows:

Aye(s): Amacher, Glick, Wilson  
Nay(s): Berry, Knowis, Mann, Mathis

The vote being three (3) aye(s) and four (4) nay(s); failed and was so ordered.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Mathis to appoint Fire Chief Kenney Pearson as Interim City Administrator and we advise him to delegate the agenda pieces to Rosemary and the budgetary pieces to Sue Wilson. (Also keep in mind that two weeks from now, if we decide it is not working, let's change it).

A discussion ensued.

On roll call all members present voted as follows:

Aye(s): Berry, Knowis, Mann, Mathis, Wilson  
Nay(s): Amacher, Glick

The vote being five (5) aye(s) and two (2) nay(s); passed and was so ordered.

**Note:** It was at this point that Alderman Daniel Berry left the meeting (6:45pm) for his birthday dinner with his family.

Kenney Pearson spoke and said it is an honor to serve this community in any capacity. He will do the best he can. He stated he has a great staff that will ease his load.

**ITEM NO. 23-22 – CONSIDER A SELECTION AND HIRING PROCESS FOR A NEW CITY ADMINISTRATOR.**

Mayor Knowis read the caption for Agenda Item No. 23-22.

A discussion ensued. (Alderman Glick passed out a typed sheet regarding the recruitment process)

A motion was made by Mayor Knowis and it was seconded by Alderman Amacher to approve this sheet and to give this document (Kurt Glick’s handout) to MTAS to see if they will engage in this process, under these conditions.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

**ITEM NO. 23-23 – REVIEW OF THE JOB DESCRIPTION AND JOB EXPECTATIONS FOR AN INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND FOR A NEW CITY ADMINISTRATOR.**

Mayor Knowis read the caption for Agenda Item No. 23-23 and he stated the Interim portion of this item has been taken care of already.

Alderman Glick stated the Job Description portion of this item has been taken care of in the previous agenda item as well, so there is no need to discuss it any further at this time.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at this time, the Board Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm.

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