

**BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (BMA)  
MINUTES FOR  
May 23, 2022**

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 meeting on Monday, May 23, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Pro-tem Blanks presiding and the following named members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen: Jenna Amacher, Daniel Berry, Rupa Blackwell, Robin Dunn and Sernobia McGee. Mayor Ray Knowis was absent. There were six (6) Board Members present.

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

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was said by Rev. Martin Nutter and he led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Recorder, Rosemary Golden, called the roll.

**COMMENDATIONS AND CERTIFICATES: - NONE -**

**PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read a proclamation regarding “Silver Alert Awareness” month. He then presented it to Ms. Fran Gray. Ms. Gray said a few words regarding the Alzheimer’s Tennessee organization located at 309 North Jackson Street and she said their phone number is 931-434-2348.

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read a proclamation regarding National Public Works Week”. He then presented it to Mr. Robert “Butch” Taylor. Butch thanked his staff.

**THE AGENDA WAS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Alderman Blackwell and was seconded by Alderman Berry to accept the agenda as presented.

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

## **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:**

Mr. Thomas Cody said he was representing Mr. Tim Mansfield of 611 East Grundy Street. Mr. Mansfield thanked the City Council for voting to purchase a street sweeper. However, he said that the storm drains need to be cleaned prior to using the street sweeper. He provided several color photos (see attachments) of the area on East Grundy Street from Anderson to College.

## **REPORTS FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN**

**ALDERMAN AMACHER** - Ms. Amacher said she had no report but wanted to introduce the “Honorary Alderman” her 5-year-old daughter Ms. Breanna.

**ALDERMAN BERRY** - Mr. Berry stated he had no report.

**ALDERMAN MCGEE** - Ms. McGee said both of her assigned committees (the Coffee County Industrial Development Board and the Tullahoma Housing Authority Board) had rescheduled until June 2, 2022, therefore she had no report.

**ALDERMAN DUNN** - Ms. Dunn said there is a Resolution on page 70 of tonight’s agenda to approve a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (P.I.L.O.T.) for the Tullahoma Utility Authority. She stated there was a “Clean-up” day on May 14, 2022. Alderman Dunn said Mr. Jordan Wilkins is preparing a citizens “Government Academy” for people who are interested in seeing what the local government does. The “Go Greene” committee will be sponsoring Compost Hostess parties starting next week.

**ALDERMAN BLACKWELL** - Ms. Blackwell reported she attended a Tullahoma City School Board meeting. She said she will be sending out e-mails to the local businesses to invite them to a Downtown Council meeting on June 16, 2022, at 5:30pm.

**MAYOR PRO TEM BLANKS** - Dr. Blanks said he attended both an Arts Council meeting and the Duck River Utility Commission meeting. He said, “Shop Tullahoma”.

**MAYOR RAY KNOWIS** - Mr. Knowis was absent.

**CITY ATTORNEY** - Mr. Stephen M. Worsham stated several items that he is working on for the City.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR** – Ms. Jennifer Moody reported that the annual TDOT contract/agreement was adjusted in our favor last week. She attended the Chamber’s “Women Impacting the Community” banquet last week and she congratulated the winners of each category. Ms. Moody said she also attended a retirement luncheon for a Public Works Employee (Mr. Robert Morris) that had been with the City for over 48 years of service. She said the Parks and Recreation Department has been nominated to receive a special award for their Junior NBA program. She thanked Mr. Lyle Russell for his time and effort with this program. Ms. Moody said just prior to this evening’s meeting she sent out an e-mail to the Mayor and Aldermen regarding the amount of money the City has spent over the last several years (from 2014 forward) on paving projects.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**ITEM NO. 22- 71- MINUTES OF THE MAY 9, 2022, REGULAR MEETING.**

**ITEM NO. 22-72 – APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT.**

**ITEM NO. 22-73 – APPROVE AMENDMENT NO.1 TO A GRANT CONTRACT BETWEEN TEMA AND CITY OF TULLAHOMA FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF FEBRUARY 2021 STORM RELATED EXPENDITURES (FEMA-4594-DR-TN) INCREASING THE TOTAL CONTRACT AWARD FROM \$25,850.09 TO \$28,065.81.**

**ITEM NO. 22-74 – APPROVE A PROJECT WITH MCA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,929.56, TO RELOCATE AND AUTOMATE THE TORNADO WARNING SYSTEM CONTROLS INTO THE NEW POLICE FACILITY.**

**ITEM NO. 22-75 – SET A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING FOR THE FIRST READING OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET ORDINANCE ON MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2022.**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the captions for the items on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Blackwell to approve the items listed above on the consent agenda.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: - NONE -**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 1577 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE, AS SET FORTH IN THE TULLAHOMA MUNICIPAL CODE, WHICH IS ORDINANCE NO. 1392, TO RE-ZONE AN APPROXIMATELY 2.07 ACRES PARCEL LOCATED AT THE 200 BLOCK OF LEDFORD MILL ROAD (COFFEE COUNTY TAX MAP 108, PARCEL 091.02) FROM C-2, GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO R-3, HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT,** for passage on first of two readings.

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Ordinance No. 1577.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and was seconded by Alderman Blackwell to adopt Ordinance No. 1577 as presented in the agenda on the first of two readings.

Ms. Jennifer Moody, City Administrator, recognized Ms. Mary Samaniego, Senior Planner, for the background information and for any questions from the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 1897 – A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A PLAN OF SERVICES AND TO ANNEX PROPERTY AT 95 OVOCA LAKE ROAD (COFFEE COUNTY TAX MAP, 106, PARCEL 039.01) AND TO INCORPORATE THE SAME WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE.**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Resolution No. 1897.

A motion was made by Alderman Blackwell and was seconded by Alderman Berry to approve Resolution No. 1897.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 1901- A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING IN-LIEU OF TAX PAYMENT FOR THE TULLAHOMA UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023.**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Resolution No. 1901.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and was seconded by Alderman Blackwell to approve Resolution No. 1899.

Ms. Jennifer Moody, City Administrator, gave the background information and said the details can be found on page 70 of tonight's agenda.

A discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Alderman Amacher and was seconded by Alderman Blackwell to postpone this agenda item until further discussion.

Another discussion ensued.

On roll call all members present voted as follows:

Aye(s): Amacher

Nay(s): Berry, Blackwell, Blanks, Dunn, McGee

The results being one (1) Aye(s) and five (5) Nay(s); the motion failed.

The original motion was called for a vote.

On roll call all members present voted as follows:

Aye(s): Berry, Blackwell, Blanks, Dunn, McGee

Nay(s): Amacher

The results being five (5) Aye(s) and one (1) Nay(s); the motion passed and it was so ordered.

**ITEM NO. 22-76 - CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A TDOT ROADWAY MAINTENANCE PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$94,845 UNDER STATEWIDE CONTRACT PRICING WITH TINSLEY ASPHALT TO REPAIR A SEGMENT OF SR-130/WESTSIDE DRIVE IN THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA.**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Agenda Item No. 22-76.

A motion was made by Alderman Blackwell and was seconded by Alderman McGee to approve Agenda Item No. 22-76.

Ms. Jennifer Moody, City Administrator, gave the background information.

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

**ITEM NO. 22-77 – CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LICENSING RENEWALS WITH PRESIDIO DIGITAL SOLUTIONS FOR CITY-WIDE I.T. NETWORK EQUIPMENT AND SECURITY DEVICES, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$27,659.76, FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM ENDING JULY 31, 2025.**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Agenda Item No. 22-77.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and was seconded by Alderman Blackwell to approve Agenda Item No. 22-77.

Ms. Jennifer Moody, City Administrator, gave the background information.

A discussion ensued.

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

**ITEM NO. 22-78 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A FOUR-YEAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN TULLAHOMA PARKS AND RECREATION AND NEVCO SPORTS MARKETING FOR A NEW BASEBALL SCOREBOARD, VALUED AT \$32,000, FOR GRIDER STADIUM.**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Agenda Item No. 22-78.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and was seconded by Alderman Blackwell to approve Agenda Item No. 22-78.

Ms. Jennifer Moody, City Administrator, gave the background information and she recognized Mr. Dave Anderson, Director of the Recreation Department, for any further questions.

A discussion ensued.

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

**ITEM NO. 22-79 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A SIX-YEAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TULLAHOMA CITY SCHOOLS AND TULLAHOMA PARKS AND RECREATION FOR A 50%/50% COST SHARING ARRANGEMENT TO ACQUIRE AN ATHLETIC FIELD ROBOTIC PAINTING SYSTEM; THE COST FOR YEAR ONE IS \$5,750 AND \$5,000 PER YEAR FOR THE SUBSEQUENT FIVE YEARS**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Agenda Item No. 22-79.

A motion was made by Alderman Blackwell and was seconded by Alderman McGee to approve Agenda Item No. 22-79.

Ms. Jennifer Moody, City Administrator, gave the background information and she recognized Mr. Dave Anderson, Director of the Recreation Department, for any further questions.

A discussion ensued.

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

**ITEM NO. 22-80 - CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH SIXWIRE VALUED AT \$7,500, FOR THE TULLAHOMA PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION.**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Agenda Item No. 22-80.

A motion was made by Alderman Blackwell and was seconded by Alderman Berry to approve Agenda Item No. 22-80.

A discussion ensued.

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

**ITEM NO. 22-81 - CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND BENCHES FROM CUNNINGHAM RECREATION TO IMPROVE THE TULLAHOMA BARK PARK DOG PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,094.61**

Mayor Pro-tem Blanks read the caption for Agenda Item No. 22-81.

A motion was made by Alderman Berry and was seconded by Alderman Blackwell to approve Agenda Item No. 22-81.

Ms. Jennifer Moody, City Administrator, gave the background information.

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

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at this time, the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:22p.m.

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CITY RECORDER

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MAYOR