

**BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (BMA)
MINUTES FOR
JULY 13, 2020**

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, July 13, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Lane Curlee presiding and the following named members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen: Daniel Berry, Rupa Blackwell, Jimmy Blanks, Robin Dunn, Ray Knowis and Jerry Mathis. All Board Members were present.

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

The invocation was said by Rev. Tom Murdock and he led us in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

COMMENDATIONS AND CERTIFICATES: - NONE -

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Mayor Lane Curlee read a proclamation for National Parks Month. He then presented it to Mr. Kurt Glick of the Parks and Recreation department.

Mayor Lane Curlee recognized the City Administrator, Ms. Jennifer Moody. She gave the background information regarding the employee(s) of the month program. Ms. Moody then recognized, Mr. Kurt Glick, Director of the Parks and Recreation Department. Kurt and Shelia Ricco (Aquatics Director) then presented Ms. Abigale Allerup, a city of Tullahoma Lifeguard, with the July Employee of the month certificate.

Mayor Lane Curlee read two (2) letters from Police Chief Williams regarding his officers.

The first letter was in regards to Patrol Woman Jessica Taylor who responded to a call concerning a three (3) month old infant not breathing. He stated she showed such care and concern as well as stayed calm and took immediate action to save the infant's life. This is a great representation of what it means to protect and serve.

The second letter was in regards to Patrol men Jimmy Coleman and David Young and Patrol Women Jessica Taylor and Kenya Lee. They responded to a call on South Washington Street and rescued a lady from a house fire. Chief Williams said he was proud of them for all of their actions of bravery and determination.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: - NONE -

REPORTS FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

ALDERMAN MATHIS - Mr. Mathis said due to the COVID-19 virus, he did not know if the high school fall sports would continue as we have in the past or if we would have to modify the attendance at the sporting events or if we would have any high school fall sports at all. Mr. Mathis said the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) is supposed to be making a decision soon.

ALDERMAN BERRY - Mr. Berry stated he had no report, but stated the Mayor's hair cut looked great.

ALDERMAN BLACKWELL - Ms. Blackwell said she attended several meetings and events including: the first Diversity Council informal meeting; a Tullahoma Board of Education meeting. In addition she is trying to do some fundraising for the Jefferson Street Park for the basketball courts.

MAYOR PRO TEM BLANKS - Dr. Blanks stated he had surgery last BMA meeting and therefore could not attend. He said he attended a virtual meeting for the Tullahoma Utility Authority Meeting. He asked for people to pray for those working on making a vaccine for the COVID-19 virus. Dr. Blanks said, "Shop Tullahoma". He also mentioned wanting to add an agenda item to the next BMA meeting regarding increasing the Mayor's salary to \$15,000 a year and increasing the Aldermen's salary to \$7,500 per year. This would be an overall increase to the budget of about \$23,000.

ALDERMAN DUNN - Ms. Dunn said there are several agencies that are available for people who are stressed because of the COVID-19 virus issues (National Prevention of Suicide, Haven of Hope and the Coffee County Anti-Drug Coalition to name a few). She said the "Go Green" organization meets every month on the first Monday of the month. Ms. Dunn thanked the CFC Corporation for providing the "I Love Tullahoma Recycling" cling stickers.

ALDERMAN KNOWIS - Mr. Knowis thanked Ms. Dunn for her work with the "Go Green" organization. He stated he had attended the Diversity Council first informal meeting. Mr. Knowis said the Airport Authority meeting should be held tomorrow.

MAYOR CURLEE - Mayor Lane Curlee stated he had no report.

CITY ATTORNEY - Mr. Stephen M. Worsham stated he had no report.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Ms. Jennifer Moody reported she had attended a virtual meeting on June 24 for the Tennessee Municipal League and she was elected as secretary for District 6. She met with the new Director of City Schools, Dr. Catherine Stephens, and they discussed revisiting the sport field’s maintenance agreement as well as moving the tennis court to a new site. Ms. Moody attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Station Six Fitness site. She stated the Beechcraft party normally held at the Beechcraft Aviation Heritage Museum had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 virus. Ms. Moody said Tim Stubblefield has turned in his intent to retire as the Assistant Fire Chief and there will be a ceremony for him on Friday, July 31st at Fire Station one. She mentioned the 2020 Census is still happening and encouraged all who have not completed the survey to please go on line and do so. Ms. Moody said she is still working on several items for the city including agreements and trying to change our election cycle to only even years. She said the construction of the police department building is going fine. Ms. Moody said the Farmers Market is in full swing.

CONSENT AGENDA:

ITEM NO. 20-55 – MINUTES OF JUNE 22, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

ITEM NO. 20-56 – APPROVE RENEWAL OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF NAVAL HISTORY AND HERITAGE COMMAND FOR A LOAN OF THE USS TULLAHOMA BELL FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM ENDING ON JUNE 30, 2023.

ITEM NO. 20-57 – APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF SECURITY EQUIPMENT IN FOR THE NEW POLICE BUILDING THE AMOUNT OF \$14,665 FROM LIFE COMMUNICATIONS AND SECURITY, INC.

ITEM NO. 20-58 – ACCEPT A DONATION OF A MAVIC 2 PROFESSIONAL DRONE FOR THE TULLAHOMA FIRE DEPARTMENT VALUED AT \$2,000.

Mayor Curlee read the captions for the items on the Consent Agenda.

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

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

OLD BUSINESS: - NONE -

NEW BUSINESS: - NONE -

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at this time, the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:11pm.

CITY RECORDER

MAYOR