

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF ELIZABETHTON, TENNESSEE  
REGULAR SESSION

APRIL 11, 2019

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETHTON MET AT  
CITY HALL ON THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2019 AT 6:00 PM IN REGULAR SESSION.

INVOCATION WAS LED BY PASTOR RAY AMOS, FIRST UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG WAS  
LED BY MAYOR ALEXANDER.

THE FOLLOWING OFFICIALS WERE PRESENT: CURT ALEXANDER,  
MAYOR; WILLIAM E. (BILL) CARTER, MAYOR PRO-TEM; RICHARD BARKER,  
KIM BIRCHFIELD, WES FRAZIER, MIKE SIMERLY AND JEFFREY C. TREADWAY,  
COUNCILMEN; ROGER G. DAY, CITY ATTORNEY; DEBORAH B. KESSLER,  
FINANCE DIRECTOR / CITY CLERK AND DANIEL A. ESTES, CITY MANAGER.

AGENDA AMENDMENT

MAYOR ALEXANDER ASKED FOR A MOTION AND SECOND TO AMEND  
THE AGENDA TO ADD ITEM 10I UNDER NEW BUSINESS TO CONSIDER A  
RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO APPLY FOR ARC FUNDS.

MOTION BY MR. BARKER, SECOND BY MR. BIRCHFIELD, APPROVING  
AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA TO ADD NEW BUSINESS ITEM 10I.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

MINUTES

MAYOR ALEXANDER ASKED FOR A MOTION AND SECOND TO APPROVE  
THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 14, 2019 REGULAR SESSION MEETING.

MOTION BY MR. FRAZIER, SECOND BY MR. TREADWAY, APPROVING  
THE MINUTES OF MARCH 14, 2019 REGULAR SESSION.

COUNCILMAN BARKER ASKED THAT RICK RICHARDSON BE ADDED  
TO THE TWINS TASK FORCE IN THE MINUTES.

MAYOR ALEXANDER ASKED THAT COUNCILMAN FRAZIER AND  
COUNCILMAN TREADWAY AMEND THEIR PREVIOUS MOTION TO INCLUDE  
COUNCILMAN BARKER'S AMENDMENT.

AMENDED MOTION BY MR. FRAZIER, SECOND BY MR. TREADWAY,  
APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 14, 2019 REGULAR SESSION  
MEETING UPON ONE (1) CORRECTION.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT RECOGNITION

POLICE CHIEF JASON SHAW RECOGNIZED TERESA TREADWAY, CID  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, FOR HER FORTY (40) YEARS OF SERVICE  
AND UPCOMING RETIREMENT ON FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2019.

CHIEF SHAW DESCRIBED HER VARIOUS POSITIONS & TITLES AND  
MEMORABLE EVENTS DURING HER WORK TENURE AND THANKED HER  
FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE AS HE PRESENTED HER WITH AN  
APPRECIATION PLAQUE.

TERESA TREADWAY THANKED CHIEF SHAW AND MAYOR ALEXANDER  
FOR THE HONOR.

PROCLAMATION – PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK  
CITY ATTORNEY DAY READ A PROCLAMATION TO RECOGNIZE  
CARTER COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT E911 STAFF  
IN HONOR OF NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK.

MAYOR ALEXANDER PRESENTED DALE BLEVINS, CARTER COUNTY  
911 DIRECTOR, WITH A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF  
APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH APRIL 20, 2019 AS:

***“NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK”***

CARTER COUNTY E911 TELECOMMUNICATORS WERE PRESENT AND  
STOOD TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR SERVICE.

PROCLAMATION – DRUG ENDANGERED CHILD AWARENESS DAY  
CITY ATTORNEY DAY READ A PROCLAMATION TO RECOGNIZE ENDANGERED  
CHILDREN’S AWARENESS DAY FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE AT RISK OF ABUSE  
AND NEGLECT FROM PARENTS’ OR CAREGIVERS’ ILLEGAL DRUG USE,  
POSSESSION, MANUFACTURING, CULTIVATION AND DISTRIBUTION.

MAYOR ALEXANDER PRESENTED JILLIAN  
CARTER COUNTY DRUG COALITION DIRECTOR, WITH A PROCLAMATION  
DECLARING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2019 AS:

***“DRUG ENDANGERED CHILDREN AWARENESS DAY”***

CITIZENS COMMENTS

RICHARD “JARFLY” DUGGER, SPOKE ON BEHALF OF CARTER COUNTY  
HONOR GUARD, REFLECTING ON THE SERVICE OF THE HONOR GUARD  
AND VETERAN’S FUNERALS. HE SPOKE REGARDING THE NEED FOR  
VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH THE FUNERAL SERVICES AS MANY MEMBERS  
HAVE VOLUNTEERED FOR MANY YEARS AND ARE GETTING OLDER AND  
NOT AS ABLE TO DO THE SERVICES AS THEY ONCE DID. HE ALSO ASKED  
FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER FUNDING THE HONOR GUARD IN THE AMOUNT  
OF TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000.00) DOLLARS TO COVER VEHICLE EXPENSES,  
UNIFORM EXPENSES AND ETC.

CHRIS LITTLE, SPOKE REGARDING THE FESTIVAL ON AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2019  
BY *GO BETSY*’ AND STATED THAT THE ORGANIZATION HAD MERGED WITH  
*NETREP* TO PUT ON THE EVENT. HE ALSO STATED THAT NO ALCOHOL  
WOULD BE INVOLVED WITH THIS YEAR’S EVENT.

COMMUNICATIONS & REPTS BY CITY MANAGER

CITY MANAGER ESTES PRESENTED MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS  
FOR REVIEW:

- LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX REPORT FROM THE TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY  
2019 AND LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX GRAPHS FOR THE  
MONTH OF MARCH 2019
- POLICE, FIRE, STREETS AND SANITATION, CODE ENFORCEMENT,  
BUILDING DEPARTMENT PROJECT VALUATION & FEE REPORT,  
ELECTRIC, WATER RESOURCES CONSTRUCTION REPORT AND  
WATER RESOURCES FACILITIES REPORTS, PARKS & RECREATION,  
LIBRARY, PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY  
DEPARTMENT REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2019
- LITIGATION TAX FOR MARCH 2019
- WATAUGA RIVER REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA FOR MARCH 21, 2019

COVERED BRIDGE DAYS

CITY MANAGER ESTES PRESENTED A REQUEST ON BEHALF OF THE ELIZABETHTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE ANNUAL COVERED BRIDGE DAYS CELEBRATION.

MOTION BY MR. BARKER, SECOND BY MR. SIMERLY, APPROVING THE 53<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL COVERED BRIDGE DAYS CELEBRATION JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 15, 2019 AS REQUESTED BY THE ELIZABETHTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

TA DUGGER TOUCHDOWN CLUB 5K

CITY MANAGER ESTES PRESENTED A REQUEST ON BEHALF OF THE CYCLONE TOUCHDOWN CLUB TO HOST A WALK/RUN 5K AS A FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR FOOTBALL TEAM EQUIPMENT.

MOTION BY MR. BIRCHFIELD, SECOND BY MR. BARKER, APPROVING THE 5K RUN/WALK FUNDRAISING EVENT ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2019 FROM 8:00 PM UNTIL 10:00 PM WITH SIX (6) POLICE OFFICERS WORKING THE EVENT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND CLOSURES OF THE DESIGNATED STREETS, PENDING RECEIVING THE INSURANCE CERTIFICATE PRIOR TO THE EVENT.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

DOWNTOWN ELIZABETHTON FARMER'S MARKET

CITY MANAGER ESTES PRESENTED A REQUEST ON BEHALF OF THE DOWNTOWN ELIZABETHTON FARMER'S MARKET TO HOLD THE ANNUAL FARMER'S MARKET ON THE LAST BLOCK OF DOWNTOWN.

COUNCILMAN BARKER SPOKE IN OPPOSITION OF CLOSING THE REQUESTED BLOCK DOWNTOWN.

AFTER DISCUSSION FROM COUNCIL, CITY STAFF AND THE DOWNTOWN ELIZABETHTON FARMER'S MARKET REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING THE LOCATION AND EVENT, MAYOR ALEXANDER ASKED THE CITY CLERK FOR ROLL CALL.

MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FRAZIER, SECOND BY MR. TREADWAY, APPROVING THE DOWNTOWN ELIZABETHTON FARMER'S MARKET AS REQUESTED THE *DEFM* FROM JUNE 4, 2019 – SEPTEMBER 24, 2019, PENDING RECEIVING INSURANCE CERTIFICATE PRIOR TO EVENT.

ROLL CALL: BARKER, NAY; BIRCHFIELD, AYE; FRAZIER, AYE; SIMERLY, AYE; TREADWAY, AYE; CARTER, AYE; ALEXANDER, AYE.

THE MOTION PASSED BY A VOTE OF 6-1.

ROAN GROAN BIKE RACE

CITY MANAGER ESTES PRESENTED A REQUEST ON BEHALF OF THE ROAN GROAN BIKE CLUB TO HOLD THE ANNUAL BIKE RACE.

MOTION BY MR. BARKER, SECOND BY MR. BIRCHFIELD, APPROVING THE ROAN GROAN BIKE RACE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2019 AS REQUESTED BY THE ROAN GROAN RACE CLUB.

PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

BOARD, COMMITTEE & COMMISSIONS

THERE WERE NO APPOINTMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL.

BUDGET AMENDMENT

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ AN ORDINANCE FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 BUDGET AMENDMENT GENERAL FUND #10.

MAYOR ALEXANDER OPENED THE MEETING FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

THERE BEING NO ONE PRESENT WISHING TO SPEAK, MAYOR ALEXANDER CLOSED THE MEETING FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

MOTION BY MR. TREADWAY, SECOND BY MR. CARTER, APPROVING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2019 AND FURTHER REFERENCED AS FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #10, BE PASSED ON SECOND READING.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

CITY SCHOOLS BUDGET AMENDMENT

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ AN ORDINANCE FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A CITY SCHOOLS FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 BUDGET AMENDMENT GENERAL PURPOSE FUND #1.

MOTION BY MR. SECOND BY MR. , APPROVING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ELIZABETHTON CITY SCHOOLS BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2019 AND FURTHER REFERENCED AS FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 ELIZABETHTON CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NUMBER 1 FOR GENERAL PURPOSE FUND, BE PASSED ON FIRST READING.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

BUDGET AMENDMENT

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ AN ORDINANCE FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 BUDGET AMENDMENT GENERAL FUND #11.

MOTION BY MR. FRAZIER, SECOND BY MR. TREADWAY, APPROVING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30 2019 AND FURTHER REFERENCED AS FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #11, BE PASSED ON FIRST READING.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

BUDGET AMENDMENT

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ AN ORDINANCE FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE WATER/SEWER FUND #2.

MOTION BY MR. BARKER, SECOND BY MR. BIRCHFIELD, APPROVING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30 2019 AND FURTHER REFERENCED AS FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #2, BE PASSED ON FIRST READING.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

BUDGET AMENDMENT

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ AN ORDINANCE FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE BONNIE KATE FUND #1.

MOTION BY MR. BARKER, SECOND BY MR. TREADWAY, APPROVING AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30 2019 AND FURTHER REFERENCED AS FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #1, BE PASSED ON FIRST READING.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

LEXISNEXIS AGREEMENT

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON AN AGREEMENT TO STREAMLINE AND DISSEMINATION OF CRASH REPORTS FOR THE ELIZABETHTON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

MOTION BY MR. BIRCHFIELD, SECOND BY MR. FRAZIER THAT, A RESOLUTION APPROVING ORDER NO. 1 ECOMMERCE SERVICES AND A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ELIZABETHTON, ELIZABETHTON POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND LEXISNEXUS COPLOGIC SOLUTIONS, INC. TO ALLOW THE ELIZABETHTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE CRASH REPORT INFORMATION TO LEXISNEXIS. THE CITY OF ELIZABETHTON WILL RECEIVE FOUR DOLLARS (\$4.00) PER CRASH REPORT PROVIDED, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO GENERATE APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT DOLLARS (\$1,728.00) PER YEAR FOR THE CITY OF ELIZABETHTON, BE PASSED.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

TREE TRIMMING CONTRACTS

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON TREE TRIMMING CONTRACTS FOR THE ELIZABETHTON ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT.

MOTION BY MR. SIMERLY, SECOND BY MR. CARTER THAT, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE BID FROM SEELBACH AND COMPANY, INC. TO TRIM THE WINNER SUBSTATION CIRCUITS NO. 264, 284, AND 294 AT A COST OF ONE MILLION FOURTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/100 (\$1,014,650.00) FOR TREE TRIMMING FOR THE ELIZABETHTON ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT, BE PASSED.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

GOLF COURSE CLUBHOUSE INTERIOR RENOVATIONS

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A CONTRACT FOR INTERIOR RENOVATIONS AT THE ELIZABETHTON GOLF COURSE CLUBHOUSE.

MOTION BY MR. BIRCHFIELD, SECOND BY MR. FRAZIER, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH DWIGHT TREADWAY CONSTRUCTION (DTC) FOR REPAIRS TO THE ELIZABETHTON MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE CLUBHOUSE, BE PASSED.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

CITY CREDIT CARD POSSESSION AUTHORIZATION

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO DETERMINE AUTHORIZED CITY EMPLOYEES THAT MAY POSSESS CITY CREDIT CARDS AT ALL TIMES FOR EMERGENCY PURPOSES.

MOTION BY MR. TREADWAY, SECOND BY MR. CARTER THAT, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER DANIEL ESTES TO NAME CITY EMPLOYEES WHO MAY CARRY CITY CREDIT CARDS TO MAKE EMERGENCY PURCHASES, BE PASSED.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

DOE RIVER WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

CITY ATTORNEY DAY CAPTION READ A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING OF THE DOE RIVER WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT.

MOTION BY MR. CARTER, SECOND BY MR. BIRCHFIELD THAT, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ELIZABETHTON TO APPLY FOR APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION (ARC) FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000.00) TO ASSIST FUNDING FOR A WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, BE PASSED.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

PURCHASES, EXPENSES & BIDS - CITY

CITY ATTORNEY DAY STATED THAT THE CITY'S TOTAL OF PURCHASES AND BIDS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$41,794.50.

MOTION BY MR. BARKER SECOND BY MR. SIMERLY, APPROVING PURCHASES: (a) GREENEVILLE OIL CO - GASOLINE FUEL FOR CITY GARAGE; \$16,277.50; EXPENSES: N/A BIDS: (a) #586 PORTABLE AIR COMPRESSOR, (TOW BEHIND) WATER RESOURCES, \$25,517.00; FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$41,794.50.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

PURCHASES - GOLF COURSE

CITY ATTORNEY DAY STATED THAT THE GOLF COURSE TOTAL OF PURCHASES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$145,087.09.

MOTION BY MR. FRAZIER, SECOND BY MR. SIMERLY, APPROVING PURCHASES: (a) GOLF COURSE CLUBHOUSE INTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS - \$65,291.71; (b) GOLF COURSE NEW EQUIPMENT PURCHASES - GREENS ROLLER, \$17,639.12; (c) GOLF COURSE NEW EQUIPMENT PURCHASE - MOWERS - \$62,109.58; FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$145,087.09.

ROLL CALL WAS UNANIMOUS AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE COUNCIL, MAYOR ALEXANDER DECLARED THE MEETING ADJOURNED.



MAYOR

  
CITY CLERK