

**STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF HAMBLEN
CORPORATION OF MORRISTOWN
JULY 20, 2021**

The City Council for the City of Morristown, Hamblen County, Tennessee, met in regular session at the regular meeting place of the Council in the Morristown City Center at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 20, 2021, with the Honorable Mayor Gary Chesney presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Bob Garrett, Tommy Pedigo, Kay Senter and Ken Smith. Absent: Al A'Hearn and Chris Bivens

Councilmember Smith led in the invocation and "Pledge of Allegiance".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to approve the July 6, 2021 minutes as circulated. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to open the agenda and add Resolution 4-22 Opioid Litigation as item 9-a-1. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Mayor Chesney opened the floor for citizens comments related to Agenda items. No one spoke.

Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve Resolution No. 4-22. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Resolution No. 4-22

A Resolution of the City Council of Morristown, Tennessee authorizing the City of Morristown Mayor upon consultation with retained Counsel, the City Administrator, and City Attorney to approve any terms or agreements which resolve the City's interest in the Opioid Litigation and to execute any documents necessary and proper to effectuate the purpose of this Resolution.

Councilmember Senter made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3689.01 on first reading and schedule a public hearing relative to final passage of said ordinance for August 3, 2021. Councilmember Smith seconded the motion and upon rollcall; all voted "aye".

Ordinance No. 3689.01

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance Number 3689, the City of Morristown, Tennessee Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and to appropriate additional funds totaling \$70,962; to appropriate funds to the Police Department that were received from the sale of confiscated weapons and re-appropriate funds for two (2) trucks for the Parks & Recreation Department.

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to deny Ordinance No. 3691 on first reading and to note that the Morristown Regional Planning Commission voted 8-0 to deny the request for rezoning at their July 12, 2021 Board meeting. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Ordinance No. 3691

Entitled an Ordinance to Amend the Municipal Code of the City of Morristown, Tennessee, Appendix B. {Rezoning of a portion of Hamblen County Tennessee Tax Parcel ID # 032025 02201 from R2 (Medium Density Residential District) to LI (Light Industrial), the general location being shown on the attached Exhibit A.} (Buffalo Trail, just past (the former) Panther Steel Company).

Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3692 on first reading and schedule a public hearing relative to final passage of said ordinance for August 3, 2021. Councilmember Senter seconded the motion and upon rollcall; all voted "aye".

Ordinance No. 3692

Entitled an Ordinance to Amend the Municipal Code of the City of Morristown, Tennessee, Appendix B. {Rezoning Of Hamblen County Tennessee Tax Parcel Id # 032048 04300, From HI (Heavy Industrial District) to R3 (High Density Residential District. *Dearing Road*)}

Councilmember Pedigo made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3693 on first reading and schedule a public hearing relative to final passage of said ordinance for August 3, 2021. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon rollcall; all voted "aye".

Ordinance No. 3693

Entitled an Ordinance to Close and Vacate Certain Rights-of-Ways within the City of Morristown. {Collegewood Drive public right-of-way}

Councilmember Smith made a motion to approve the purchase a 2020 Saber-35346 Rescue Pumper Fire Truck from G&W Diesel Service Inc. (Pierce Manufacturing) in the amount of \$560,000.00 (PO#22000220) via Sourcewell Contract #022818-PMI. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to award the best and lowest bid to Stansell Electric Co. Inc. in the amount of \$28,350 for the Runway Lighting Regulator replacement at the Morristown Regional Airport. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Smith made a motion to accept the FY2022 Airport Maintenance Grant Contract between the City of Morristown and Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) in an amount of \$15,000; this is a 5% local match grant. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to approve to make application for the 2021 Justice Assistance Grant in an amount of \$16,885; no local match required. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to reappoint George McGuffin to the Morristown Utility Commission for a five (5) year term to expire on July 31, 2026. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to approve the hiring of Josh Sauls as an Entry Level Officer for the Morristown Police Department. Councilmember Pedigo seconded the motion and upon roll call; all voted "aye".

Mayor Chesney opened the floor for members of the audience to speak subject to the guidelines provided; Nigel Reid spoke.

Mayor Gary Chesney adjourned the July 20, 2021 Morristown City Council meeting at 5:29 p.m.



Mayor

Attest:



City Administrator