

City of Etowah

City Commission Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2021

1) Call to Order:

Mayor Burke Garwood called the meeting to order via teleconference due to Covid-19 social distancing requirement by state government. (Came in and immediately started with a roll call vote)

2) Roll Call

Mayor Garwood gave roll call and those present were Vice-Mayor Swayne, Commissioners James and Webb joined the meeting via teleconferencing. Also present were Building Inspector Jon Troutt and Acting Finance Director, Brooke Moses, and Chief Daniel Hampton, City Manager Tuggle.

Prayer--Vice-Mayor Swayne prayed.

- 3) Pledge of Allegiance- Led by Mayor Burke Garwood
- 4) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES—

REGULAR-----12/14/2020

Commissioner James made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from 12/14/2020. Vice-Mayor Swayne seconded. Mayor Garwood called for a roll call vote and are as stipulated; Mayor Garwood-Aye, Vice-Mayor Swayne-Aye, Commissioner James-Aye, Commissioner Webb-Aye. Motion carried with a unanimous commission vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Holiday/On Call Overtime Pay Policy

Mayor Garwood initially stated that he wanted to put this off until the budget was done. City Manager Tina Tuggle explained that this policy was just a clarification of the policy already in place for the benefit of HR.

Garwood retracted his initial statement to delay vote and made a motion to approve. Commissioner Swayne Seconded and asked that Tina explain to the board what she had explained to him earlier about GHSO. Ms. Tuggle explained the GHSO funds were additional hours worked funded by the State of TN which Supports Highway Safety Education and Enforcement Efforts across **Tennessee**. Commissioner James asked how they could change the policy. Mayor Garwood said that could be done during budget process. Mayor Garwood took a roll call and all ayes.

B. Reapproval of Roof Replacement

Mayor Garwood said that he got with someone to see if the rice quoted by Ricol seemed reasonable. He said that he wants to delay this vote until the next month to give the City time to get more quotes. Commissioner James asked if this was for the ball fields for the press box. Mayor Garwood confirmed it was. Commissioner James expressed concern that if the vote continues to be delayed, they might not have a roof when ball season starts in March. Mayor Garwood said he believes it will be done in plenty of time before the season. City Manager Tuggle added that if a better price comes in, she can get in touch with all of the commissioners and if all agree she can do an emergency purchase with an official approval at a later date.

C. First Reading and Consideration of Ordinance 863

ORDINANCE NO. 863

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE V, CHAPTER 52 OF THE ETOWAH MUNICIPAL CODE

City Manager Tuggle said that this ordinance was presented to them from the utilities. Mayor Garwood explained that this is the same information that the board received in the Utilities Board meeting which was immediately prior to the current board meeting.

Mayor Garwood made a motion. Commissioner Swayne seconded. Mayor Garwood took roll call. Mayor Garwood, Commissioner Swayne and Commissioner Webb ayes and Commissioner James nay for a 3-1 approval.

D. Consideration and Approval of Resolution 1261

RESOLUTION NO. 1261

RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE USE OF PRIVATE WATER SUPPLIES AND WELLS ON PROPERTIES,
BUILDINGS AND RESIDENCES INSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ETOWAH WHERE A
STATE APPROVED MUNICIPAL OR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM IS AVAILABLE

Garwood made a motion to approve. Swayne seconded. James said that it felt like we would open a can of worms for people outside of the city limits if we approved this. Mayor Garwood took roll call. Mayor Garwood, Commissioners Swayne and Webb ayes and Commissioner James nay for a 3-1 approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

A) Approval and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 862

ORDINANCE NO: 862

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ETOWAH, TENNESSEE OPENING AN EXTENSION OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOWN AS NORTH INDUSTRIAL PARK DRIVE CONSTRUCTED TO CONNECT PARCEL 097 018.01 and 19.00 TO THE EXISTING PORTION OF NORTH INDISTRIAL PARK DRIVE, WHICH CONNECTS U.S. HIGHWAY 411

Mayor Garwood made a motion to approve. Commissioner Swayne seconded. Swayne discussed that this was pertaining to the two rights of way to the industrial park. Mayor Garwood took roll call. All Ayes.

City Managers Report

City Manager Tuggle reviewed her report and announced the appointment of Daniel Hampton as chief of police and congratulated him and thanked him for his hard work.

Citizen Comments:

There were none.

Unscheduled Items:

Commissioner James wanted to know why he and Misty weren't listed as commissioners on the city website. City Manager Tuggle explained they had been updated and that Commissioner James needed to clear his cookies in order to see it. She said that she would check into it the following morning.

Commissioner Swayne wanted to know if many people have been applying for the CDBG Survey. Tina discussed. Garwood mentioned that it was for a specific area within Etowah City limits.

Commissioner Swayne said that he'd driven by the construction site for the swimming pool multiple times and the gate had been unlocked. He suggested that we should put signs up and keep it locked in the evenings. Tuggle said they would do that.

Adjournment:

Mayor Gurwood made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Swayne seconded. All Ayes.

Burke Garwood, Mayor

Alison Bull, Recording Secretary