

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
City of McKenzie
McKenzie, TN 38201
September 12, 2019

- A. Call to Order — Mayor Holland
- B. Prayer — Councilman Martin
- C. Pledge of Allegiance — Councilman Martin
- D. Roll Call
 - Mayor Holland - Present
 - Councilperson Martin - Present
 - Councilperson Pruneau – Present
 - Councilperson Riley - Present
 - Vice Mayor Townes – Absent
 - Councilperson Winston - Present
 - Councilperson Young - Present
- E. Mayor's Welcome:
Mayor Holland called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Holland extended a warm welcome to all.
- F. Mayor Holland introduced Jennie Keel from TLM to talk about applying for a new multi-modal grant.

Ms. Keel handed out a TDOT sign in sheet prior to explaining to the council what stage 2 of the grant would entail. We would pick up on Cedar Street, proceeding down to the Old West Steakhouse and on the opposite from Regions Bank to Bennett's Hardware. It will include bike lanes. This grant is a 95-5 grant. She explained that when you get off a State Route, it becomes an 80-20% grant in distressed counties. There are no engineering fees. We would need a motion and vote in order to submit the grant.

Action Taken: Motion was made by Councilman Martin, second by Councilman Pruneau.

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion passes.

- F. Approval of Minutes
Motion made by Councilperson Young, seconded by Councilperson Winston, to approve the minutes dated Sept. 12, 2019
- G. Financial Matters
Fire Department purchase of rescue truck for \$ 10,000.00

H. Old Business:
None

I New Business:

1. Approve and appoint Josephina Batton to the McKenzie Parks & Rec Board

Discussion: Mayor Holland explained that Ms. Batton was currently the treasurer for the Soccer League. Her records were very explicit and detailed.

Action Taken: Motion was made by Councilman Martin, second by Councilperson Pruneau.

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion passes.

2. Bid opening for street paving on Euclid Ave.

Discussion: Public Works Director Mercer explained to the council that Euclid was 27 feet wide. The first 1500 feet would require 2" asphalt, the last 2400 feet could drop to 1 ½".

Mayor Holland then opened the bids. Martin Paving quoted \$ 104.00 per ton.

Arrow Paving quoted \$ 95.00 per ton.

Action Taken: Motion made by Councilperson Pruneau, second by Councilperson Martin to accept the Arrow Paving bid. Mayor Holland asked Johnny to notify the bidders.

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion passes.

3 Discussion/Approval of Resolution 19-007 to adopt The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Discussion: Mayor Holland stated this went along with our five year plan that Mr. Pillow would be writing for us.

Action Taken: Motion made by Councilperson Pruneau, second by Councilperson Martin to approve the Resolution.

Roll call vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. Motion passes.

J. Any Other Business: None

K. Citizens Input: None

L. Department Head Reports:

Public Works Director Johnny Mercer reported they were busy with household & brush pickup. The department had spent a few days cleaning up a ditch, and cleaning up a lot of debris at their work site. He also informed the council that Trane would start installation of the new LED lights beginning the week of September 23rd.

Parks & Recreation Director Mike Beasley stated the dog park was now open and there had been a lot of dog owners in and out enjoying the space. They are still preparing fields for probably the next month & ½ due to having 4 soccer fields, and will have softball for the next month.

Codes Enforcer Morrissett stated the grass was beginning to slow down, as there had been fewer complaints. He stated that there had been several complaints concerning junked vehicles, so he was concentrating on that.

Police Chief Craig Moates informed the council that he had gotten some bids on roof repair for the area above the police department. He had contacted 4, 3 came and 2 submitted bids. He stated one of the local vendors had done some repair and patch work already. They stated that some of the plywood decking had never been nailed down. Chief Moates also addressed the radio issues that police and fire were still experiencing. The antenna for the digital radios was installed at Hico and was just not able to service this area. He stated that Fire Chief Tucker, Sgt. Richard Sawyers and Lt. Ryan White had all addressed the 911 board. The County gave money for all the cities to purchase digital radios, but ours has never worked properly. Chief Tucker stated that if someone was in a burning house, they would have no contact with that individual in certain area. Chief Moates said he felt at this time, it would be to our good to revert back to the old analog system and just maintain it ourselves. He also indicated that the tornado sirens were not working properly with the digital system as well. B & E, a radio vendor has offered to do things as a vendor to make it work. 911 said it was not up to us, that the county should take care of it. Mayor Holland said that she would get in contact with the 911 board and Mayor Butler to see if we could get a solution to this problem. He then reported there was a total of 1393 calls for the month. 505 security checks – home / business / parks, 254 vehicle stops, 225 investigations 10-43, traffic control – 53, medical – 50, talk with an officer – 28, citizens assist – 26, and a wide variety of other service calls. In other reports, Chief Moates received a letter from Attorney Herron commending an officer who was working a funeral procession and continued to stand in the rain and never retreated to his vehicle.

Fire Chief Tucker informed the council that they would be taking the ladder truck to Memphis for have some hydraulic work done. He explained to the council how the new rescue truck would be used as a combination truck. One side will be for all the items from the old ambulance. The other side will have everything they may need in any rescue work. The truck can break away and even if it at a fire call. The new rescue truck did require the purchase of new tires. The Incident report included 32 calls, some of which are included here; 15 commercial alarms, 4 motor vehicle accidents, 3 smoke investigations, 2 chemical spills, 2 other fires, 2 vehicle fires.

Water Superintendent Wood stated that the Delta has changed out approximately 1200 of the 2500 meters within the city. They are going back to repair anything they may have caused a problem with. The sewer line project will start next week.

Mayor Holland gave the council reminded the council about the upcoming utility training on October 3rd from noon until 5:00 p.m. We will be hosting this training at the Park Theatre. In other updates, she informed council of the upcoming Historic Tour on September 15th @ 2 p.m., the Cemetery Walk on October 13th all a part of the 150th birthday celebration. Senator John Stephens and Speaker McNally sent a proclamation recognizing McKenzie on our 150 years. Mayor Holland also mentioned there would be a medical equipment grant opening for (8) AED's, and a telehealth machine that would connect with the Medical Center.

N. With no further business, a motion was made by Councilperson Martin seconded by Councilman Riley to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Jill Holland, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jennifer Waldrup, City Recorder-City Clerk