Regular Meeting of the Board of Mayor and Council City of McKenzie McKenzie, TN 38201 July 14, 2022

- A. Call to Order Mayor Holland
- B. Prayer Councilperson Pruneau
- C. Pledge of Allegiance Councilperson Pruneau
- D. Roll Call

Mayor Holland - Present
Vice Mayor Townes - Present
Councilperson Batton - Present
Councilperson Burns - Absent
Councilperson Pruneau - Present
Councilperson Watson - 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.

# G. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Councilperson Young, seconded by Vice Mayor Townes to approve the June 9, 2022 minutes.

#### H. Financial Matters:

Payment to Tennessee Tractors for \$ 10,800.00 for new Parks & Recreation John Deere Mower.

Motion to approve the purchase was made by Councilperson Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilperson Batton.

Roll Call Vote:

Motion carries.

# I. Public hearing:

2022/23 budget

Mayor Holland opened the public hearing at 6:03, with no questions, was closed at 6:05.

### J. Old Business:

2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 545 for the 2022/2023 budget

Discussion: None

Motion to approve Ordinance 545 for the 2022/2023 budget made by Councilperson Pruneau, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Mayor Townes.

Roll Call Vote:

Motion carries.

# K. New Business:

Discussion/approval of Resolution 22-003 to hold a November election.

Discussion: Mayor Holland explained that since we had changed to an At Large position, There was a 2 yr position that would continue to fill out the time for the former Ward 4.

Motion to approve Resolution 22-003 was made by Councilperson Young,  $2^{nd}$  made by Councilperson Watson.

Roll Call Vote:

#### M. Citizens Input:

Matt Hudgins of 92 Meadowwood Drive in McKenzie, TN spoke to the council concerning the possibility of changing the sale time for fireworks to the former fifteen days. He stated with only getting to sale the fireworks for ten days it had reduced their sales. He said he would like the council to reconsider adding those first five (5) days to sell so sales could increase. They would keep customers informed on the date that shooting was allowed. He stated their location brought customers into town, which helped Dairy Queen and Save-a-Lot to increase their sales.

Mayor Holland told Mr. Hudgins, there would be a workshop a little later and he was welcome to come. She stated the council made that decision last year due to citizen complaints.

# N. Department Head Reports:

Fire Chief Brian Tucker reported 18 incidents, 4 for commercial alarm, 4 brush, 3 Aircraft Stand By and various others. He also stated he wanted to let the council know that after he was

approved the purchase of the new fire truck, he did additional research. He found there were stock trucks that he could specify to being the exact same truck he wanted and could get by May 2023 with a savings of \$ 74,000.00. He stated he has worked on the graphics drawings already. In other good news, he said they were having a great turn around on the fire contracts, the first fourteen days had already received 129 payments. Last year, received 296, so hopefully this year would be even better.

Water Superintendent Billy Wood stated they were staying busy with leaks and cleaning sewers.

Police Chief Craig Moates started his service report reported 1,186 calls for service. 594 security checks,108 vehicle stops,84 citizens assist,34 traffic control,53 suspicious person/vehicle, 50 medical and various other calls. He did say to the council that there were only 7 firework reports for this July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Superintendent Johnny Mercer with Public Works stated they were staying busy with their weekly household pickups of limb / yard debris. He stated they had been mowing right of ways and ditches. He stated that hopefully they would be receiving the new tractor and side-mount within the next week.

Philip Morrissett for the Codes Department was not at the meeting.

Parks Director Billy Hollowell stated mowing had slowed down due to the heat. McKenzie Middle School softball would be starting mid-August. He also informed the council that the new fencing should be here in a couple of weeks to close in the splash pad. He said that bids for the concrete should be coming in this week for the new pavilion at the splash pad park.

## O. Council Reports:

Motion carried.

Mayor Holland talked about the events for the Sweet Tea Festival including bands, water slides and vendor booths.

P. With no further business, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Townes,  $2^{nd}$  by Councilperson Young to adjourn at 6:24 P.M.

APPROVED:

Jill Holland, Mayor

Jennifer Waldrup, City Recorder-City Clerk