

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
City of McKenzie
McKenzie, TN 38201
June 10, 2021

- A. Call to Order — Mayor Holland
- B. Prayer — Councilperson Martin
- C. Pledge of Allegiance — Councilperson Martin
- D. Roll Call
Mayor Holland - Present
Councilperson Batton - Present
Councilperson Burns – Absent
Councilperson Martin – Present
Councilperson Pruneau - Present
Vice Mayor Townes – 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. Approval of Minutes
Motion made by Councilperson Mayor, seconded by Vice Mayor Townes, to approve the minutes dated May 20, 2021.

Motion passes.
- G. Financial Matters:
Water: \$ 5,642.00 to Tenn. Carva Machinery for a sewer pump

Motion made by Councilperson Young, seconded by Councilperson Pruneau

Motion passes
- H. Open Public hearing for 2021-2022
Mayor Holland declared the Public Hearing open at 6:22 pm
There were no comments or questions from the audience, therefore,
Mayor Holland declared the Public Meeting closed.
- I. Old Business:
a. 2nd reading for 2021 budget.

Motion made by Councilperson Pruneau, seconded by Vice Mayor Townes

Roll Call Vote:

Councilperson Batton	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Pruneau	<u>Y</u>
Councilperson Martin	<u>Y</u>	Vice Mayor Townes	<u>Y</u>
		Councilperson Young	<u>Y</u>

Motion passes.

J. New Business:

a. Resolution 21-002 for Redistricting:

Motion made by Councilperson Young, seconded by Vice Mayor Townes

Roll Call Vote:

Councilperson Batton	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Pruneau	<u>Y</u>
Councilperson Martin	<u>Y</u>	Vice Mayor Townes	<u>Y</u>
		Councilperson Young	<u>Y</u>

Motion carries

b. Ordinance 538 to Approve 2021-2022 Budget

Motion made by Councilperson Pruneau, seconded by Councilperson Martin

Roll Call Vote:

Councilperson Batton	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Pruneau	<u>Y</u>
Councilperson Martin	<u>Y</u>	Vice Mayor Townes	<u>Y</u>
		Councilperson Young	<u>Y</u>

Motion carries

K. Citizens Input:

Nicole Brown invited the council to the Community Event being held June 12th at Mulberry Park. She expressed concerns about the broken slide and the barrier around it and asked that it be removed. She also noted that the walking track has grass growing onto it. She stated that she wanted people to enjoy Mulberry Park just as much as the recreational park on Como. She hoped to be able to have a “job fair” at the park in the future. Mike Beasley responded that we had tried to get a replacement slide for that particular piece of equipment, but it is obsolete and we cannot get a match from any other company.

L. Department Head Reports:

Fire Captain Kevin Hill was in attendance for Chief Tucker. He reported 40 incidents for the month of May. There were 17 EMS Assist calls, 9 motor vehicle accidents, and various other calls. Captain Hill went on to say that the department was hoping to purchase another brush truck. The truck they have now is a ¾ ton and cannot carry the weight it has to at high speeds. They are looking for a 1 ton with dual axles. They would still keep the brush truck they have now to help EMS on ambulance calls.

Mayor Holland advised the board that she had spoken with Susan Breeden at Baptist Hospital about the slow response of Priority Ambulance Services.

Mike Beasley, Parks and Recreation Director stated park employees were staying busy with mowing and weed eating. Baseball and softball both are over. Soccer is about to finish their season. The Farmers Market officially opened for the season with a record breaking 300 shoppers. Nights on Broadway will be starting on June 17th. Mike also gave an update on the pond at the park. TWRA biologist Michael Clark came to the park to check the issue and advised them that the pond had “turned over”. Turnover is a phenomenon that can occur in the spring and fall. It is caused by water temperatures being different at the surface and in the lower regions of a pond. Lighter and heavier water switch places.

Johnny Mercer with Public Works presented a quote for an option to lease/purchase a new knuckle boom truck. The current truck is approaching twenty years old. It is now staying in the shop more and more causing the department to run behind on cleanup. He presented a proposal for a new truck that could either be leased or purchased. There is a two-year warranty on the truck except for regular maintenance issues like oil changes, tires, brake pads etc. Most of their repairs could be done on site, so would save time. They also guarantee a 2 year buy back of \$ 95,000.00. He concluded his report with they were staying busy mowing right of ways and trimming limbs. They had installed four (4) residential culverts. The street sweeper has been repaired, so they will be back to using it.

Philip Morrisett for the Codes Department reported people were getting lax on their mowing.

Water Superintendent Billy Wood stated he was still waiting for Paving Restoration Services to come and repair the water cuts. They are continuing with their regular job of fixing leaks and unstopping sewers.

Chief Craig Moates reported for the month of May there had been a total of 1504 calls. We had 773 calls for security check-Home/Business/Parks, 125 vehicle stops, 101 citizens assist, 100 investigations 10-43, 53 suspicious person/vehicle and various other calls.

L. Council Reports:

Mayor Holland commented on the fact that we had just purchased almost \$200,000.00 of new playground equipment for both parks. The bad thing is that larger folks get on the equipment and cause it to break. We are in the process of installing security cameras in all our parks so that hopefully that will help stop the vandalism.

Mayor Holland also mentioned that if you see someone in your neighborhood who looks or acts suspicious, please call the police department as quickly as possible. Contacting the police immediately instead of waiting can really help to prevent crimes from happening.

Mayor Holland instructed council members to find a representative from their ward (could be council member themselves) to make recommendations on ward boundaries for the August 12th meeting.

Mayor Holland also announced we would have no change in property tax.

M. With no further business, a motion was made by Councilperson Martin, 2nd by Vice Mayor Towns to adjourn at 6:52 p.m.

Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Jill Holland, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jennifer Waldrup, City Recorder-City Clerk