

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
City of McKenzie
McKenzie, TN 38201
September 8, 2022

A. Call to Order – Mayor Holland

B. Prayer – Councilperson Watson

C. Pledge of Allegiance – Councilperson Watson

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.

F. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Councilperson Young, seconded by Vice Mayor Townes to approve the August 11, 2022 minutes.

G. Financial Matters:

B & E for Fire/Police Console \$ 71, 575.00. Mayor Holland explained that we had gone to the 911board to at least help with this purchase, since our equipment was twenty plus years old and now we have reached the place where there are no parts available. A vote to help us was never brought to the 911 floor, and never came to a vote by the County. In order to protect our citizens, we feel we have no choice but to purchase ourselves with no help.

Parks & Rec: Bobby Knight to cut 11 trees, grind and clean at Pickleball Court. Mayor Holland said that she was advised to remove the Pine trees before we built the new pickleball Courts as the sap from the trees was detrimental to these courts.

Motion to approve financial matters made by Councilperson Pruneau, 2nd by Vice Mayor Townes.

Motion carries.

H. Old Business:

2nd reading on Ordinance # 548 changing wording of public officer to be person or persons.

Discussion: None

Motion to approve on 2nd reading Ordinance 548 by Councilperson Young, 2nd by Councilperson Watson.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carries.

I. New Business:

a. Bid opening for Fire Department Turnout Gear

Discussion: Nafeco was the only bid received. It was \$ 16,037.85 for 5 sets of the Super Deluxe sets.

Motion to approve to approve the bid was made by Councilperson Watson, 2nd made by Vice-Mayor Townes

Motion carries.

b. Discussion/approval of Pickleball Court.

Discussion: Mayor called upon Parks Director Hollowell to talk about the bid opening for the courts. Two bids were received, the lower bid was from NSite, Inc. for \$174,640.00. This included six courts, fencing and lighting. He stated we would keep the existing poles around the courts. Councilperson Pruneau asked about when this court was discussed and Mayor Holland stated it was on the sheet that was passed out, she added it is the fastest growing new sport.

Motion to approve the bid for the Pickleball Court made by Councilperson Pruneau, 2nd by Councilperson Young.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carries.

- c. Discussion/approval of ordinance 549 to amend the official zoning map.

Discussion:

Mayor Holland asked Councilperson Young to speak on behalf of the planning commission. Councilperson Young stated that the area closest to the road was R-1, but would now be B-2. No questions were asked.

Motion to approve amending the zoning map made by Vice mayor Townes, 2nd by Councilperson Young.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carries.

- d. Discussion/approval to enforce the \$ 25.00 fence permit, which will include an inspection.

Mayor Holland advised the council that since the original Ordinance stating that the pretty part of the fence should face the road or neighbor, not to the inside of the property. If a permit is issued, then codes would be informed to make a visit to inspect.

Motion to approve the fence permit made by Councilperson Batton, 2nd by Vice Mayor Townes.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carries.

J. Citizens Input:

No one wished to speak.

N. Department Head Reports:

Fire Chief Brian Tucker reported it had been a slow month, with 8 commercial alarms, 2 EMS, and several other incidents. There was only one large residential fire. They were still about 2/3 of the way through checking fire hydrants due to doing several other jobs for the city. Chief Tucker was happy to say they had pulled in about 321 fire contracts, resulting in \$32,100.00 towards the new fire trucks.

Water Superintendent Billy Wood was absent.

Police Chief Moates introduced Lt. Ryan White as the new Assistant Police Chief. Chief Moates stated that his department had answered 1,010 calls for the month. 375 were for Security checks – Home/Business/Parks, 163 for vehicle stops, 78 citizens assist, and numerous other calls.

Superintendent Johnny Mercer with Public Works stated they were staying busy with right of way mowing and getting the leaf truck ready for fall. He also mentioned they had laid close to 200' of sidewalks within the last couple of weeks and were still staying busy mowing yards turned in from the codes department.

Philip Morrissett for the Codes Department was absent.

Parks Director Billy Hollowell stated they were about caught up with summer mowing and trimming. He also mentioned even though middle school softball was finishing up next week, city league soccer would be starting on Saturday.

O. Council Reports:

Mayor Holland stated that the Sweet Tea was successful due to how all the city departments all pulled together to help. The heat seemed to be more this year than in the past, but it is difficult to choose a date because of all the other festivals in the area. She reminded the council that on Thursday, the 15th we would be having a city-wide event to thank industries, businesses, clubs and city department in our success in winning the Small City Progress award. At this event, we will also recognize three business owners who are retiring with more than 137 years of business in our community.

- P. With no further business, a motion was made by Councilperson Young, 2nd by Councilperson Pruneau to adjourn at 6:30 P.M.

Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Jill Holland, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jennifer Waldrup, City Recorder-City Clerk