Regular Meeting of the Board of Mayor and Council City of McKenzie McKenzie, TN

October 9, 2008

- a. Call to Order Mayor Walter Winchester
- **b. Opening Prayer** Councilperson Hale
- c. Roll Call All members of the council were present.

Mayor Winchester Councilperson Hale Councilperson Arthur Councilperson Allen Councilperson Holland Councilperson Adkins

d. Mayor's Welcome

Mayor Winchester welcomed the city department heads, citizens and press members.

e. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Councilperson Arthur, seconded by Councilperson Allen, to approve the September 11, 2008 minutes. The motion passed.

f. Financial Matters

1. Bills: <u>Vendor(s)</u>

Amount

None

g. Old Business

None

h. New Business

1. Acceptance/Approval of councilman's resignation

Discussion:

Mayor Winchester advised that Councilperson Davis had submitted a letter of resignation effectively immediately and the council needed to accept his resignation.

Action Taken:

Motion made by Councilperson Hale, seconded by Councilperson Arthur, to accept the resignation. The motion passed.

2. Appointment/Approval for the unexpired term in Ward 3

Discussion:

Mayor Winchester advised the council that he recommended former Councilperson Huffman as replacement for this position. Councilperson Holland expressed her disapproval of the process.

Action Taken:

Motion made by Councilperson Hale, seconded by Councilperson Allen, to accept the Mayor's recommendation.

Motion is by role call vote:

Councilperson Hale	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Allen	Y
Councilperson Arthur	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Holland	N
		Councilperson Adkins	Y

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 4, Nays - 1, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0. The motion passed.

3. Presentation of Mayor's proclamation

Presentation:

Mayor Winchester presented a proclamation to the family of Tom Nolen for the contributions Mr. Nolen had made to the youth of the community during his lifetime. The proclamation was accepted by Kelby McCaleb, the oldest grandson of Mr. Nolen. Kelby thanked the Mayor and Council for honoring his granddad with this proclamation.

4. Discussion/Approval to award the bid for the purchase of a backhoe for street department

Discussion:

Mayor Winchester advised that the bid from Liles Brothers and Sons was the lowest bid received, the backhoe was the same brand as the one presently utilized by the Street Department and the committee recommended awarding the bid to Liles Brothers and Sons of Jackson, Tennessee.

Action Taken:

Motion made by Councilperson Arthur, seconded by Councilperson Holland, to accept the low bid of \$39,000.00 from Liles Brothers and Sons.

Motion is by role call vote:

Councilperson Hale	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Allen	<u>Y</u>
Councilperson Arthur	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Holland	Y
		Councilperson Adkins	<u>Y</u>

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0. The motion passed.

5. Second reading on Ordinance 432 (An ordinance to amend by revising Title 15 of said code to add a new chapter concerning automated traffic signal and speed enforcement systems)

Discussion:

The council was advised that this ordinance was necessary for the city to adopt the automated traffic signal and speed enforcement system. There will be no charges to the city for the equipment and the city will receive a portion of the \$50.00 fine for violators. The parent company TRAFFIPAX is responsible for the initial collection of the citation and maintenance of the equipment.

Action Taken:

Motion made by Councilperson Hale, seconded by Councilperson Holland, to approve on second reading of Ordinance 432.

Motion is by role call vote:

Councilperson Hale	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Allen	Y
Councilperson Arthur	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Holland	Y
		Councilperson Adkins	<u>Y</u>

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0. The motion passed.

6. Second reading on Ordinance 433 (An ordinance pertaining to the participation of the councilmen in the employee health insurance program)

Discussion:

This was the second reading on the proposed change to the councilperson participating in the city's health insurance plan. Councilperson Holland reiterated her objection to the city contributing any funds to the health plan for council members.

Action Taken:

Motion made by Councilperson Arthur, seconded by Councilperson Allen, to pass on second reading of Ordinance 433.

Motion is by role call vote:

Councilperson Hale	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Allen	Y
Councilperson Arthur	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Holland	<u>N</u>
		Councilperson Adkins	Y

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 4, Nays - 1, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0. The motion passed.

7. Discussion/Approval to authorize the purchase of 2 gas heaters for the fire department bays

Discussion:

Fire Department has a need to purchase two heaters for the fire bays (100,000 BTU recommended) to provide heat in the bays during the winter. Two current heaters have faulty heat exchangers. Telephonic bids were solicited and received. Mayor asked for motion to permit Fire Chief, Council liaison, purchasing agent, city clerk and mayor to look at prices, specs and purchase and have installed two heaters of 100,000 BTUs for the fire department.

Action Taken:

Motion made by Councilperson Adkins, seconded by Councilperson Arthur, to accept the Mayor's recommendation and permit the committee to search and purchase the two heaters for the fire bays

Motion is by role call vote:

Councilperson Hale	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Allen	Y
Councilperson Arthur	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Holland	<u>Y</u>
		Councilperson Adkins	<u>Y</u>

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0. The motion passed.

8. Appointment/Approval to the McKenzie Housing Authority Board

Discussion:

Mr. Terry Nolen had recently resigned from the McKenzie Housing Authority Board due to health. There was a recommendation from Mayor Winchester to appoint Ms. Rosalind Winston to fill the position.

Action Taken:

Motion made by Councilperson Arthur, seconded by Councilperson Allen, to accept the recommendation.

Motion is by role call vote:

Councilperson Hale	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Allen	<u>Y</u>
Councilperson Arthur	<u>Y</u>	Councilperson Holland	Y
		Councilperson Adkins	Y

Votes were as follows: Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 0. The motion passed.

i. Citizens Input

None

j. Council Discussion/Reports:

Councilperson Adkins gave the monthly fire report.

Councilperson Holland and Parks Director French gave a report about the parks department activities.

Councilperson Arthur stated the street paving project was completed.

Mayor Winchester advised that a fund raiser for the Beeler family was being held at the city recreation park on Saturday, October 11, 2008 to raise money for a family that had tremendous medical bills during the birth of triplets and the extended stay in the hospital.

k. Any other business

None

l. Adjournment

With no further business, motion was made by Councilperson Holland, seconded by Councilperson Hale, to adjourn. The motion passed.

APPROVED: _

Walter Winchester, Mayor

ATTEST:

Charlie Beal, CMC City Clerk/Recorder