

REGULAR MEETING

LOUDON CITY COUNCIL May 18, 2015

The regular meeting of the Loudon City Council was held on May 18, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Meeting Room. Those present were: Mayor Jim Greenway, Councilmen Jeff Harris, Johnny James, Lynn Millsaps and Dennis Stewart. Also present were City Attorney Joe Ford and City Recorder Stephanie Putkonen. The press was represented by Jeremy Nash of the *Loudon County News Herald*. Stephanie Smullen video recorded the meeting for LCTV3. There were approximately twenty to twenty-five people present.

Mayor Greenway asked Police Chief James Webb to lead the invocation. Councilman Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Greenway asked if council members had a chance to review the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 20, 2015. **A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Harris and unanimously passed to approve as written, the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 20, 2015.**

Council considered the administrative approval of the purchase of gasoline (\$2.193 per gallon) and diesel fuel (\$2.0492 per gallon) on May 15, 2015 from Rogers Petroleum Company. **A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman James and unanimously passed to administratively approve the purchase from Rogers Petroleum Company of gasoline (\$2.193per gallon) and diesel fuel (\$2.0492 per gallon) on May 15, 2015.**

Mayor Greenway recognized the visitors and department heads. He asked if anyone had anything to bring before council that did not appear on the agenda. There was no response.

Mayor Greenway presented an ordinance to approve on first reading the budget for fiscal year 2015-2016. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman James that the following ordinance be passed on first reading:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOUDON, TENNESSEE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2016

Upon a vote the AYES were: Harris, James, Millsaps, Stewart and Greenway. Mayor Greenway declared that the ordinance passed on first reading. A public hearing was scheduled to be held June 15th at 7:15 P.M.

Mayor Greenway presented an ordinance for first reading to approve budget amendments for fiscal year 2014-2015. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Millsaps that the following ordinance be passed on first reading:

AMENDING THE 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Upon a vote the AYES were: Harris, Millsaps, James, Stewart and Greenway. Mayor Greenway declared the ordinance passed on first reading. A public hearing was scheduled to be held June 15th at 7:20 P.M.

Mayor Greenway presented an ordinance for first reading to set the tax rate for the 2015 tax year at \$1.1767 (the same as last year). A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Harris that the following ordinance be passed on first reading:

SETTING THE TAX RATE FOR TAX YEAR 2015

Upon a vote the AYES were: James, Harris, Millsaps, Stewart and Greenway. Mayor Greenway declared the ordinance passed on first reading. A public hearing was scheduled to be held June 15th at 7:25 P.M.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution approving a contract with Cannon & Cannon for engineering services on the Queener Road reconstruction project. Executive Director of the Loudon County Economic Development Agency, Pat Phillips, explained the selection process and recommended Cannon & Cannon. A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Harris that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-21

**APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH CANNON & CANNON, INC.
FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES ON THE QUEENER ROAD
RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution authorizing a lease agreement for a 2015 Ford Explorer to the Loudon County Economic Development Agency. A motion was made by Councilman Millsaps seconded by Councilman Harris that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-22

**AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH LOUDON
COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution to approve out-of-state travel to Atlanta, Georgia for members of the fire department to attend the International Association of Fire Chiefs Annual Conference. A motion was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Harris that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-23

**APPROVING OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL FOR
FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL**

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution of intent to lease the ball field at Liberty Park to the Loudon County Board of Education for use by Loudon High School. Athletic Director Ronnie Roberts was present to answer any questions. After some discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman James that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-24

**APPROVING INTENT OF LEASE OF BALL FIELD
AT LOUDON LIBERTY PARK**

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution authorizing the purchase and installation of LED lighting along the walking trail in Legion Park. A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Stewart that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-25

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION
OF LEGION PARK WALKING TRAIL LIGHTING**

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution authorizing a \$5,500 expenditure for fireworks from Victory Fireworks. Recreation Director Mark Harrell stated he had received about \$3,000 in donations to help fund the event. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Stewart that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-26

AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE FOR THE 2015 INDEPENDENCE DAY EVENTS

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Councilman Millsaps invited city council members to attend the Loudon Merchants and Property Owners Association (LMPOA) quarterly meeting being held on June 11th at 5:30 P.M. He said any questions and/or concerns could be answered at that time.

There being no further business, Mayor Greenway adjourned the meeting at 8:04 P.M.

Recorder

Mayor