

REGULAR MEETING
LOUDON CITY COUNCIL
June 20, 2016

The regular meeting of the Loudon City Council was held on June 20, 2016 at 6:30 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 Manager Lynn Mills, Attorney Kris Frye representing City Attorney Joe Ford and City Recorder Stephanie Putkonen. The press was represented by Heidi Lara with the *Loudon County News Herald*. Chris Smallen video recorded the meeting for LCTV3. There were approximately twenty-seven people present.

Mayor Greenway asked Councilman Harris to lead the invocation and 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 May 16, 2016. **A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Stewart and unanimously passed to approve as written, the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 16, 2016.**

Council considered the administrative approval of the purchase of gasoline (\$1.9845 per gallon) and diesel fuel (\$1.5597 per gallon) on June 13, 2016 from Rogers Petroleum. **A motion was made by Councilman Harris seconded by Councilman James and unanimously passed to administratively approve the purchase from Rogers Petroleum of gasoline (\$1.9845 per gallon) and diesel fuel (\$1.5597 per gallon) on June 13, 2016.**

Mayor Greenway acknowledged there were several visitors present. He recognized Mr. Butch Thompson and presented to him a plaque in appreciation of all his hard work and efforts in making the improvements to the Ferry Street boat ramp; as well as the event, "Fishing Day with Kids." Mayor Greenway then read the names of all of the volunteers who helped make the boat ramp improvements. He asked them to raise their hand if they were present. He thanked all of them.

Mayor Greenway recognized Mr. Brandon DeBoer with the Drug Task Force. Mr. DeBoer passed out to council answers to some of the questions that had come up at the workshop meeting. He explained to them what agencies participate in the Drug Task Force, as well as how any funds would be distributed. He added that the Task Force provides the support, so the city only needed to provide one officer. If the city wanted to handle the drug enforcement, it would need to put together a team; as one person could not do everything.

Mayor Greenway said drugs have no boundary. He told Mr. DeBoer that city council appreciated what they were doing.

Mayor Greenway recognized Mr. Gary Whitfield, the Operations Manager of Scott Gross Company. Mr. Whitfield complimented the fire department on their response to the recent fire at his facility. He said they got it under control and prevented any cylinders from exploding. He also thanked the police department and city council for supporting the fire and police departments.

Mayor Greenway said he appreciated Mr. Whitfield and his service to the community.

Mayor Greenway presented an ordinance for second and final reading to continue the agreement with Loudon County to use the services of their Planning and Community Development Department. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Stewart that the following ordinance be passed on final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-04

**APPROVING AMENDMENT SEVEN TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT CONTINUING THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

Upon a vote the AYES were: Harris, Stewart, James, Millsaps and Greenway. There were no NAY votes. Mayor Greenway declared the ordinance passed on final reading.

Mayor Greenway presented an ordinance for second reading to adopt the budget for fiscal year 2016-2017. Manager Mills stated changes since first reading were the removal of one new police officer position, 2% wage increase for part-time police officers and firefighters, wage increase for part-time public works laborer and removing a police car from the budget. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman Stewart that the following ordinance be passed:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-05

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOUDON, TENNESSEE ADOPTING
THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1,
2016 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2017**

Upon a vote the AYES were: Harris, Stewart, James and Greenway. Millsaps voted NAY. Mayor Greenway declared the ordinance passed on final reading.

Councilman Millsaps stated that he voted against the budget because the city stood to potentially owe \$2,988,000 if it was to lose 100% of the property tax appeals by Tate & Lyle and Kimberly-Clark.

Mayor Greenway presented an ordinance for second reading to set the tax rate at \$1.1767, which is the same as the 2015 rate. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman James that the following ordinance be passed:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-06

SETTING THE TAX RATE FOR TAX YEAR 2016

Upon a vote the AYES were: Harris, James, Millsaps, Stewart and Greenway. There were no NAY votes. Mayor Greenway declared the ordinance passed on final reading.

Mayor Greenway presented an ordinance to amend the 2015-16 Fiscal Year Budget. Manager Mills said there was a list of several items that needed to be amended. A motion was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman James that the following ordinance be passed on first reading:

AMENDING THE 2015-16 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Upon a vote the AYES were: Stewart, James, Harris, Millsaps and Greenway. Mayor Greenway called for a public hearing to be held at 6:25 P.M. on July 18, 2016.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution for second consideration to approve a \$3,500 donation to the Loudon Merchants and Property Owners Association from Courthouse Square Revitalization Act grant funds for a "Farm to Table" event to be held in August. A motion was made by Councilman Millsaps, seconded by Councilman James that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-25

**AUTHORIZING A DONATION TO THE LOUDON MERCHANTS
AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

Upon a vote, all voted AYE except Stewart who voted NAY. Mayor Greenway declared the resolution passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution to approve the sale of approximately eight acres of land in Sugarlimb Industrial Park to Restoration Services, Inc. for \$7,500 per acre. A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Harris that the following resolution be approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-26

APPROVING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY IN SUGARLIMB INDUSTRIAL PARK TO RESTORATION SERVICES, INC.

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution amending the pay classification plan. Manager Mills explained that the resolution provides for a 2% wage and salary increase for full time and certain part time positions. It also provides a new entry level position for a police officer. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman James that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-27

AMENDING THE PAY CLASSIFICATION PLAN

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution acknowledging the TCRS rate of 16.97% for general employees and 20.47% for public safety employees effective July 1, 2016. A motion was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman James that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-28

ACKNOWLEDGING THE TCRS RATE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution approving the donation of a 2005 Cub Cadet 4x2 utility vehicle to Loudon High School for them to repair for use by the girls' softball team. A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Stewart that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-29

APPROVING THE DONATION OF A 2005 CUB CADET 4X2 UTILITY VEHICLE TO THE LOUDON HIGH SCHOOL

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution approving an invoice from Home Pro LLC in the amount of \$5,290 for the completion of the concession and restroom building at the amphitheater. A motion was made by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman James that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-30

APPROVING THE INVOICE FOR THE CONCESSION & RESTROOM PROJECT

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution authorizing the replacement of a 2015 Ford F150 in the police department through Jacky Jones Ford Lincoln/Mercury's continuing replacement vehicle program. A motion was made by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman James that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-31

AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUING REPLACEMENT VEHICLE PROGRAM OF CITY VEHICLES

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution to declare a 2005 Ford Crown Victoria to be considered surplus and sold on govdeals.com. Chief Webb added that the sale would be restricted to law enforcement agencies. A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Harris that the following resolution be approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-32

AUTHORIZING A 2005 FORD CROWN VICTORIA TO BE CONSIDERED SURPLUS

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway presented a resolution authorizing the purchase and installation in the amount of \$11,847.25 from Roadway Solutions, Inc. of a guardrail on Steekee Street. A motion was made by Councilman James, seconded by Councilman Stewart that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-33

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A GUARDRAIL ON STEEKEE STREET

Upon a vote, the resolution unanimously passed.

Mayor Greenway recommended the appointment of Judy Keller to the Industrial Development Board replacing Bo Carey, who resigned. The term expires August 20, 2019. **Upon a vote, Judy Keller was unanimously approved to replace Bo Carey on the Industrial Development Board.**

Mayor Greenway recommended the reappointment of Carlie McEachern to the Loudon Utility Board. The term expires June 30, 2020. **Upon a vote, Carlie McEachern was unanimously approved to be reappointed to serve on the Loudon Utility Board.**

Councilman Millsaps read the mission statement of the Loudon Merchants and Property Owners Association (LMPOA). He said he had been a member of the organization for thirty years and currently served as the city's representative. He thanked all of the time volunteered by the LMPOA members over the years.

Councilman Millsaps stated that he was resigning as the city's representative in the LMPOA and also on the Courthouse Square Revitalization Committee.

Mayor Greenway thanked him for his service.

There being no further business, Mayor Greenway adjourned the meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Recorder

Mayor