

Minutes of the Called Business Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Tuesday, January 6, 2021, 1:00 PM
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Mayor Patrick W. Shull, Presiding
Vice-Mayor Colette George
Alderman Jennifer Adler (via zoom)
Alderman Betsy Cooper (via zoom)
Alderman Darrell Duncan
Alderman Tommy Olterman
Alderman James Phillips (via zoom)

City Administration

Chris McCartt, City Manager
Ryan McReynolds, Deputy City Manager (via zoom)
J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney (via zoom)
Bart Rowlett, Assistant City Attorney (via zoom)
Lisa Winkle, City Treasurer/Deputy City Recorder
Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder
Dale Phipps, Deputy Police Chief (via zoom)
John Morris, Budget Officer
Jessica Harmon, Assistant to City Manager
Hannah Purdy, Public Information & Communications

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** 1:00 p.m., by Mayor Patrick W. Shull.
- II.A. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Alderman Olterman
- II.B. **INVOCATION:** Mayor Shull.
- III. **ROLL CALL:** By City Treasurer/Deputy Recorder Winkle. All Present.
- IV. A determination by the board that meeting electronically and prohibiting the physical presence of the public at the meeting is necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare of all concerned in light of the COVID-19 virus.
Mayor Shull made this declaration and each alderman verbally affirmed.
- V. **OTHER BUSINESS.**
 1. **Declaration by the Mayor of a Vacancy on the Board of Education and Consideration of the Appointment of an Individual to the Board of Education to Serve Until July 1, 2021 (AF: 18-2021) (Dr. Moorhouse, Chris McCartt).** Mayor Shull recommended Tim Dean in the form of a motion. He stated he has served

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on the BOE in the past and does not intend to run for election in May. Alderman Cooper asked to make a comment after the vote.


Motion/Second: Shull/Olterman, to pass:

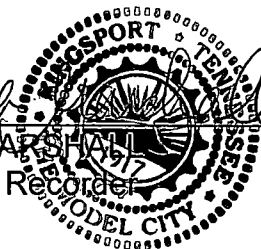
DECLARATION BY THE MAYOR OF VACANCY AND CONSIDERATION OF AN APPOINTMENT

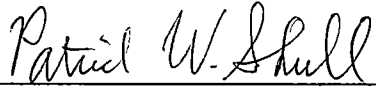
Passed in a roll call vote: Adler, Cooper, Duncan, George, Olterman, Phillips and Shull voting "aye."

Alderman Cooper stated that she felt out of the loop during this selection process, noting this was not reflection on her opinion of Mr. Dean or his qualifications to serve but wished there had been more input in the nomination process. She requested a more strategic plan in the future. Vice-Mayor George commented that timing makes a difference in the process when appointing people to boards and commissions. She also pointed out the sunshine law affects open discussion of candidates and the disadvantages. Alderman Duncan and Alderman Olterman stated they were not contacted by anyone about possible candidates. Alderman Adler noted valid points have been made. She stated it would have been possible for the board to discuss the values of the position beforehand without mentioning specific names. Mayor Shull agreed and then commented on the use of the Civic Auditorium for the COVID19 vaccinations. Vice-Mayor George also pointed out the use of Bristol Motor Speedway.

VI. ADJOURN. Seeing no other business for consideration at this meeting, Mayor Shull adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.


ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder




PATRICK W. SHULL
Mayor