Minutes of the <u>Regular Work Session</u> of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Monday, September 27, 2021, 4:30 PM City Hall, Boardroom, 415 Broad Street

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Mayor Patrick W. Shull, Presiding
Vice-Mayor Colette George
Alderman Betsy Cooper
Alderman Darrell Duncan
Alderman Paul W. Montgomery
Alderman Tommy Olterman
Alderman James Phillips

City Administration

Chris McCartt, City Manager
Ryan McReynolds, Deputy City Manager
Michael Borders, Assistant City Manager
Lisa Winkle, City Recorder/Treasurer
Bart Rowlett, Assistant City Attorney
Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder
Scott Boyd, Fire Chief
Dale Phipps, Police Chief
George DeCroes, Human Resources Manager
John Morris, Budget Officer
Ken Weems, Planning Manager
Jessica Harmon, Assistant to City Manager
Adrienne Batara, Public Relations Director

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Patrick W. Shull.
- 2. ROLL CALL: Deputy City Recorder Marshall.
- 3. DRUG TREATMENT FACILITY PROPSAL. District Attorney General Barry Staubus provided details on this item, describing the long-term vision in a desire to establish community awareness and support. He pointed out the goal was regional rehabilitation. Judge Stacy Street provided further details, pointing out Judge Lisa Rice has really been the driving force behind this idea. He discussed possible locations and why there is a need for this program and how the process works. Judge Goodwin also commented on the value of this program and urged the BMA to support it.
- **4. UTILITY OVERVIEW.** Deputy City Manager McReynolds gave a presentation on this item and answered questions. He provided statistical updates for FY 2022 regarding water and sewer usage. He confirmed for City Manager McCartt that when the next budget is presented there will be a request for a rate increase that would be effective July 1, 2022. He pointed out Kingsport would still have a very comparable rate to other local cities.

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- 5. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager McCartt gave a summary for each item on the proposed agenda. The following items were discussed at greater length or received specific questions or concerns.
- VI.D.6 Authorize the Issuance of General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2021 in an Amount not to Exceed \$19,750,000.00 (AF: 287-2021). City Recorder and Treasurer Lisa Winkle provided details on this item, pointing out the projects listed under the bonds were already approved during the previous budget process. She discussed the timeline of events if approved at the meeting tomorrow. She also pointed out the bond debt stated a limit of up to \$19,750,000 but anticipated about \$16,000,000. Rick Dulaney gave further details regarding the market and rates and answered questions from the board. City Manager McCartt discussed the projects that will be covered by the bonds. Discussion followed.

Mr. McCartt discussed the details for the ribbon cutting tomorrow for City Hall tomorrow.

6. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Shull adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

PATRICK W. SHULL

Mayor