

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Tuesday, September 2, 2014, 4:00 PM
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips

Alderman John Clark

Alderman Colette George

Alderman Andy Hall

Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire

Alderman Tom C. Parham

Alderman Tom Segelhorst

(arrived at 4:30 p.m.)

City Administration

Jeff Fleming, City Manager

J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney

James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Marshall.
3. **STORMWATER UPDATE.** Assistant City Manager Ryan McReynolds presented information on this issue and Item VI.AA.1 from the regular business meeting agenda. He noted this is the annual compliance report to TDEC [Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation]. Discussion followed.
4. **CAREHERE REPORT.** Ms. Shannon Mason from Sherrill Morgan gave details on the results of the Health Center Program over the last year. She stated it has been successful. Risk Manager Terri Evans answered questions from the Board.
5. **WORK SESSION TICKLER.** Fire Chief Dye gave an update on the progress of the fire station. Mayor Phillips thanks Chief Dye for personally operating the elevator at the football game last week. Alderman George asked for an update on the volunteer group that is working on the visitor's locker room at the new stadium, stating she would like to hear about their progress.
6. **REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE SEPTEMBER 2, 2014 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA.** City Manager Fleming, members of staff and community members gave a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:
 - VI.B.1 **Consideration of a Budget Ordinance to Appropriate \$6,761.24 from the Department of Justice/Bureau of Justice Assistance, Justice Assistance Bulletproof Vest Partnership Funding (AF: 240-2014).** Police Chief Quillin explained the number of vests needed must be determined and paid for up front. The grant reimburses 50% of the cost. The chief confirmed that no one is in an outdated vest.

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VI.B.2 Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend the 2014-2015 Project Budget Appropriating TIF Monies Collected in Previous Years (AF: 247-2014). City Manager Fleming gave details on this item, noting state law changes. He stated this money will be set aside for the designated areas to provide funding sources. The mayor asked for this to be added to the tickler so the BMA can know the running total on how it is spent.

VI.D.1 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Offer, Approving Tennessee Department of Transportation's Agreement of Sale and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute All Documents (AF: 239-2014). City Manager Fleming pointed out at the last meeting the Board approved property concerning the west end of the Rotherwood Bridge. This item pertains to the east end.

VI.D.2 Consideration of a Resolution to Amend the Lease Agreement with Kingsport Tomorrow and to Allow the Mayor to Sign All Documents Necessary and Proper as They Pertain to the Lease (AF: 243-2014). City Manager Fleming stated that Kingsport Tomorrow is shutting down and closing their office. They are requesting grace on the current lease agreement with the city. Alderman George pointed out the furnishings will remain. She also gave details on how the focus of the organization has changed over the years, noting other groups are now in existence because of them. Some discussion ensued.

VI.D.3 Consideration of a Resolution to Offer a Limited Retirement Incentive to Eligible Employees (AF: 224-2014). City Manager Fleming discussed this item, noting it was a continuation of what was approved in the spring. This will extend the deadline to December 31. He further noted, after speaking with Human Resources, staff expects only eight to submit their paperwork out of 70 eligible employees.

VI.D.4 Consideration of Initial and Detailed Bond Resolutions Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2014A in an Amount Not to Exceed \$16,750,000 (AF: 245-2014). City Manager Fleming explained the bond issue was related to the CIP presented at the last meeting and the water/sewer CIP that was presented in the spring. Board members expressed the importance of getting back to the basics and paying attention to detail more. Mr. Rick Dulaney provided details on the next steps and described the entire process to the board.

VI.D.5 Consideration of Initial and Detailed Bond Resolutions Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2014B in an Amount Not to Exceed \$9,550,000 (AF: 246-2014). See Item VI.D.4.


VI.D.6 Consideration of a Resolution Expressing the Intent of the Board Concerning any Change to the Local Healthcare Systems (AF: 248-2014). Mayor Phillips stated this proposal was being sent by other local cities as well, asking to keep healthcare local. Aldermen George and Clark expressed their concerns with the wording of the letter. There was considerable discussion.

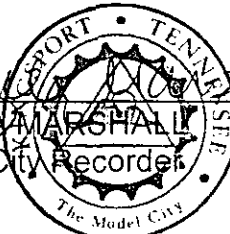
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BOARD COMMENT. Alderman George stated she has heard from several citizens regarding one of the recent Board of Education replacement nominees having a spouse working in the school system. She pointed out she did not have that information prior to the vote and it would have likely affected her decision. She requested all such information be made available in the future ahead of time.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Ms. Mary McNabb commented on Item VI.D.6.

8. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.


ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder




DENNIS R. PHILLIPS
Mayor