

**MINUTES OF THE
OAK RIDGE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

February 10, 2014

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oak Ridge convened at 7:00 p.m. on February 10, 2014, in the Courtroom of the Municipal Building with Mayor Thomas L. Beehan presiding.

INVOCATION

Pastor Robert May with Family Bible Church delivered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Annie Cacheiro, Executive Director of Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachian Counties, Inc. (ADFAC), led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call the following councilmembers were present: Councilmember Trina Baughn; Mayor Thomas L. Beehan; Councilmember Anne Garcia Garland; Councilmember L. Charles Hensley; Councilmember Charles J. Hope, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tem D. Jane Miller; and Councilmember David N. Mosby.

Also present were Mark S. Watson, City Manager; Kenneth R. Krushenski, City Attorney; Janice E. McGinnis, Finance Director; Diana R. Stanley, City Clerk.

APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS

NONE

PROCLAMATIONS AND PUBLIC RECOGNITIONS

NONE

SPECIAL REPORTS

NONE

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Baughn requested to remove two (2) items: the January 13, 2014 City Council Meeting minutes and the resolution titled "a resolution authorizing Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachian Counties, Inc. (ADFAC) to submit on the City's behalf a grant application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, to the Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA) for 2014 Home Grant Program Funds to promote the rehabilitation of housing for low-income households in Oak Ridge, in the not to exceed amount of \$500,000.00." Additionally, Councilmember Garcia Garland requested to remove the resolution titled "a resolution authorizing the City to apply for a grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation through the Knoxville Transportation Planning Organization for Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality improvement (CMAQ) program funds, in the estimated amount of \$250,000.00 to \$300,000.00, and accepting said grant if awarded."

Following the removal of the aforementioned items, Councilmember Hope moved, seconded by Councilmember Hensley to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda, as amended, thereby:

- Approving the January 27, 2014 City Council Special Meeting minutes.
- Approving the January 27, 2014 Work Session Meeting minutes.

- Approving a proclamation declaring March 7, 2014 as “Arbor Day” in the City of Oak Ridge.
- Adopting **Resolution No. 02-09-2014** approving bylaws of the Oak Ridge Land Bank Corporation.
- Adopting **Resolution No. 02-10-2014** authorizing the transfer of tax equivalents from the Electric and Waterworks Funds to the General Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, and to authorize its distribution between the City of Oak Ridge and Anderson and Roane counties in accordance by state law.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Approval of the January 13, 2014 City Council Meeting minutes

Councilmember Baughn moved to amend the January 13, 2014 meeting minutes, specifically with regards to her vote for Resolution No. 01-05-2014, by correcting her vote from “Nay” to “Aye” as there were some audio confusions as to her intended vote for this item. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hope and approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Garcia Garland, Hensley, Hope, Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, and Mayor Beehan voting “Aye.”

Resolution No. 02-11-2014

A resolution authorizing the City to apply for a grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation through the Knoxville Transportation Planning Organization for Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality improvement (CMAQ) program funds, in the estimated amount of \$250,000.00 to \$300,000.00, and accepting said grant if awarded.

Mayor Pro Tem Miller moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope that the resolution be adopted.

The City Manager provided an overview of the grant and noted that the City’s focus is an intelligent traffic system as it relates to improvement in air quality. Additionally, Community Development Director Kathryn Baldwin added that the grant was a mechanism for address air quality in the Knoxville Transportation Planning Organization. Mr. Watson and Ms. Baldwin responded to inquiries of the City Council regarding the grant.

Ms. Ellen Smith, 116 Morningside Drive, described the effects of air pollution in the Oak Ridge area and the effects of idle vehicles and that an opportunity to study traffic congestion would improve both the community and air quality.

The resolution was unanimously approved by board vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Garcia Garland, Hensley, Hope, Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, and Mayor Beehan voting “Aye.”

Resolution No. 02-12-2014

A resolution authorizing Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachian Counties, Inc. (ADFAC) to submit on the City’s behalf a grant application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, to the Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA) for 2014 Home Grant Program Funds to promote the rehabilitation of housing for low-income households in Oak Ridge, in the not to exceed amount of \$500,000.00.

Mayor Pro Tem Miller moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope that the resolution be adopted.

Following brief discussions amongst the City Council regarding the resolution, the item was approved by board vote with Councilmembers Garcia Garland, Hensley, Hope, Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, and Mayor Beehan voting “Aye,” and Councilmember Baughn abstaining.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 02-13-2014

A RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$486,808.00 TO SPILLMAN TECHNOLOGIES, INC., SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, FOR THE FURNISHING OF INTEGRATED HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Councilmember Hope moved, seconded by Councilmember Garcia Garland that the resolution be adopted.

Oak Ridge Police Chief James Akagi provided some brief explanations to City Council regarding the software's citation issuing capabilities, compatibility upgrades, improved records efficiencies, and bidders contacted for the proposal.

The resolution was approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Garcia Garland, Hensley, Hope, Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, and Mayor Beehan voting "Aye."

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

First Reading of an Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 3, TITLED "MUNICIPAL COURT," OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE," BY CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 6, TITLED "ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER," TO CREATE AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER POSITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED §6-54-1001 ET SEQ.

Councilmember Hensley moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Miller that the ordinance be approved on first reading.

The City Attorney explained that the Administrative Hearing Officer was a component of the *Not in Our City* initiatives and reviewed the timeline of implantation of this position moving forwarded. Additionally, Mr. Krushenski responded to several inquiries and clarifications of City Council and explained the different components of the Administrative Hearing Officer as listed in the ordinance.

The ordinance was approved on first reading by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Garcia Garland, Hensley, Hope, Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, and Mayor Beehan voting "Aye."

FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

(NONE)

ELECTIONS/APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHEDULING

Elections/Appointments

Appoint one (1) applicant to the Trade Licensing Board for a term of office ending on December 31, 2016.

Councilmember Hensley moved, seconded by Councilmember Hope to appoint Mr. Danny Scott by acclamation to the Trade Licensing Board for a term of office ending on December 31, 2016. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Garcia Garland, Hensley, Hope, Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, and Mayor Beehan voting "Aye."

Appoint three (3) members of City Council to both the City Attorney Evaluation Committee and City Manager Evaluation Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Miller moved, seconded by Councilmember Baughn, to accept the City Clerk's recommendation of committee compositions for fiscal year 2014 which was coordinated in accordance with past policies and procedures. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Garcia Garland, Hensley, Hope, Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, and Mayor Beehan voting "Aye;" thereby, establishing that the City Attorney Evaluation Committee will be comprised of Trina Baughn, Chair; David N. Mosby; and Thomas L. Beehan; and that the City Manager Evaluation Committee will be comprised of D. Jane Miller, Chair; L. Charles Hensley; and Anne Garcia Garland

Appoint one (1) member of City Council to the Youth Advisory Board (YAB) Screening Panel.

Councilmember Garcia Garland moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Miller to accept the Councilman Hope's volunteer request to serve as the council representative on the YAB Screening Panel. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote with Councilmembers Baughn, Garcia Garland, Hensley, Hope, Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem Miller, and Mayor Beehan voting "Aye."

Announcements

Scheduling

COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR NEW BUSINESS ITEMS OR FUTURE BRIEFINGS

In request to an inquiry from Councilmember Baughn regarding the joint meeting between the Oak Ridge City Council and the Oak Ridge School Board, the City Manager explained that he has been working with Superintendent Dr. Bruce Borchers to confirm a date and time for the two (2) groups to convene.

Councilmember Garcia Garland remarked that Council could consider meeting more frequently, but for a shorter duration.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The City Manager noted that the City was reviewing the condition of the Friendship Bell. Mr. Watson explained that the City was seeking a study from TetraTech regarding the condition of the bell and for safety reasons, the bell would be closed until such time that the City could repair the deterioration.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

(NONE)

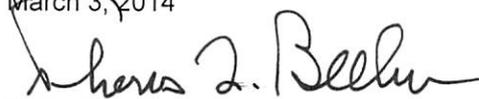
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.


Diana R. Stanley, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL

March 3, 2014



Thomas L. Beehan, Mayor