

January 11th, 2022

Mayor Samantha Rector	P
Commissioner Ronnie Lancaster	A
Commissioner Matt Stone	P
Commissioner Cheryl Kellermann	P
Commissioner Allison Buchanan	p

The Board of Mayor and City Commissioners met in a regularly City Meeting on January 11th, 2022.

A **Motion** was made Commissioner Kellermann, **seconded** by Commissioner Buchanan, to **approve the minutes of the meetings on December 14th, 2021**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

Comments from Mayor:

Mayor Rector advised George Hampton stepped down from his seat on the Planning Commission Board.

Mayor Rector Appointed Ann Gray and Jane Pelham to the open seats on the Planning Commission Board, a motion was made by Commissioner Stone, seconded by Commissioner Kellermann to accept these appointments. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

Comments from Commissioner Kellermann:

Commissioner Kellerman extended advised that work on Moore Park will continue.

Comments from Commissioner Buchanan:

Commissioner Buchanan inquired of the status of hiring a new Parks and Rec Director. City Administrator Gene Vess advised that the Parks Board had the applicants resumes and applications and will be starting interviews soon.

Commissioner Buchanan inquired about Softball and Baseball upcoming season. City Administrator Gene Vess advised that the City is working on getting the fields ready, getting info out to have enough interest to move forward.

Commissioner Buchanan checked on the status of the Playground Paradise Bathrooms. City Administrator Gene Vess advised that the city had to reorder new sinks and toilets, as soon as those are installed the bathrooms will be open.

Comments from Commissioner Stone:

Commissioner Stone has had a lot of complaints in District 4 about C& D Recycling and residents getting tire damage, he suggested installing cameras in order to catch individuals who are not properly covering items being take to C & D for recycle.

Commissioner Stone requested workshops with the Elderly Housing Board, a workshop to discuss to discuss Princess renovations and a workshop with Mark Hisner to discuss infrastructure improvements.

City Administrator Gene Vess:

_City Administrator Gene Vess advised we are working on the Budget and will have financial report from July – December 2021.

After a **recommendation from City Administrator Gene Vess, a motion** was made by Commissioner Kellermann, **seconded** by Commissioner Stone to **accept the resignation of police Officer Brian Ogilbee**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

Open Position of Police Officer is being advertised now on multiple sources.

A City requested to buy our old Christmas Pole Lights, after discussion the Board wants to keep some of the lights and will let the inquiring City know how many we have left.

After a **request from City Administrator Gene Vess, A motion** was made by Commissioner Stone, **seconded by** Commissioner Buchanan to **Authorize Bids for a loan for 3 Public works trucks and 2 new police cars not to exceed \$175,000**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

Reports were given from Street Dep't, Police Dep't, Fire Dep't, MNG, Library, Building Inspector, Princess Theatre

Old Business

A motion was made by Commissioner Kellermann, seconded by Commissioner Stone to approve- 2nd Reading/Public Hearing of **Ordinance 824 - An Ordinance To Amend The Zoning Map For The City Of South Pittsburg, Tennessee To Rezone Parcel Located Along U.S. Highway 72 At The Tennessee And Alabama State Line, Tax Map 155 Parcel Number 020.01, From C-1 Local Highway Commercial To R-1 Low Density Residential District**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

A motion was made by Mayor Rector, seconded by Commissioner Stone to approve the Second reading/public hearing **Ordinance 826 - An Ordinance to Abandon Unopened Right-Of-Way Between Berryhill Road And Hargis Road Within The Body Of This Ordinance And Shown On The Attached Graphic Within The Corporate Limits Of The City Of South Pittsburg, Tennessee** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

New Business

A motion was made by Mayor Rector, seconded by Commissioner Stone to approve **Resolution 1022- A Resolution Authorizing the Submission Of A Grant Application For An United States Department Of Commerce- Economic Development Administration American Rescue Plan Act Grant. Tennessee** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

Citizens Comments

After a **request from Beth Duggar** with the National Cornbread Festival, a **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **seconded** by Commissioner Stone, **to have the National Cornbread Festival held April 23-24th, 2022.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

A motion was made by Mayor Rector, seconded by Commissioner Stone to adjourn. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Samantha Rector

Heather Pickett, City Recorder