

April 12th, 2022

Mayor Samantha Rector	P
Commissioner Ronnie Lancaster	p
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 April 12th, 2022.

A **Motion** was made Commissioner Stone, **seconded** by Commissioner Buchanan, to **approve the minutes of the meetings on March 8th, 2022 and March 16th, 2022**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

Comments from Mayor Rector:

n/a

Comments from Vice Mayor Lancaster:

N/A

Comments from Commissioner Kellermann:

Commissioner Kellermann asked the status of grants for Moore Park. City Administrator Vess advised that the City is working with SETD on a diabetes grant for Moore Park, this grant will require a fitness program, this is a no match grant.

Comments from Commissioner Buchanan:

Commissioner Buchanan checked the status of the Municipal Code, City Attorney Billy Gouger advised that he had reviewed the updates sent by MTAS to update the book, next step will be for Commissioners to review.

Commissioner Buchanan advised we need Bathroom signs at Playground Paradise directing where the bathrooms are located.

Commissioner Buchanan wanted an update of the Parks, events coming up? Parks and Rec director advised that we will be hosting a Summer Camp at the Parks, has some other ideas on the pickle ball, etc. for the parks.

Commissioner Buchanan advised that she would like a meeting set up with the South Pittsburg Housing Authority to discuss purchasing or swapping ownership of Loyd Park.

Commissioner Buchanan advised that she would like the board to review the existing Pit Bull Ordinance and replace with new ordinance to all vicious dogs regardless of breed, would like to discuss further at upcoming workshop.

Commissioner Buchanan wanted to check the status of the Armory Restoration Grant, City Administrator advised that SETD just received the rough estimate from Artech and will be filing the application for the Grant this week.

Comments from Commissioner Stone:

Commissioner Stone advised that he would like to have a Workshop on April 27th, 2022 set up to revisit the bike lane project for the South End.

Commissioner Stone advised that she has had some complaints of a resident in his district has livestock at his home and also camping spaces that he is renting out. Chief Jordan advised that the resident has been advised and will be on the agenda for the next Planning and Zoning Board meeting on May 12th, 2022.

City Administrator Gene Vess:

City Administrator Vess advised that the Third Street Culvert clean out project is now complete; everything is cleared out from the culvert. The concrete needs to cure for a few more days.

After a recommendation from City Administrator Gene Vess, a **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **seconded** by Commissioner Kellermann **to accept the resignation of full time Police Officer, Justin Ruth.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

After a recommendation from City Administrator Gene Vess, a **motion** was made by Commissioner Stone, **seconded** by Vice Mayor Lancaster to hire **Charles Dickerson as a full-time police officer.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

After a recommendation from City Administrator Gene Vess, a **motion** was made by Commissioner Buchanan, **seconded** by Mayor Rector to **send Alexis McNabb and Charles Dickerson to the Police Academy.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

After a recommendation from City Administrator Gene Vess, a **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **seconded** by Commissioner Stone to approve an **Emergency purchase for a portion of roof repair at City Hall repairs by Caps Roofing not to exceed \$15,900.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes;

Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

Reports were given from Street Dep't, Police Dep't, Library, Building Inspector, and Parks and Rec.

Old Business

n/a

New Business

A motion was made by Mayor Rector, seconded by Commissioner Kellermann to **approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance 827 – An Ordinance Amending Annual Budget for City of South Pittsburg, Tennessee for Fiscal year 2021-2022.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **seconded** by Commissioner Kellermann to **approve 1st Reading of Ordinance 820- An Ordinance of The City of South Pittsburg to Prohibit the Establishment of Tobacco, Vape and Convenience Retailers in the C-3 Central Business District Zone.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **seconded** by Commissioner Stone to **approve Resolution 1025- A Resolution of The City of South Pittsburg Board of Mayor and Commissioner Authorizing an Application For Funding Under The Tennessee Department of Health Project Diabetes Grant.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **seconded** by Commissioner Stone to **approve Resolution 1026- A Resolution of Support and Commitment For The City of South Pittsburg To Apply To The Federal Land Access Program.** Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

Citizens Comments

Resident Tisha Simms- 1261 Old Jasper Rd advised that speeding is an issue on her road and visibility, requested speed bumps and mirrors for visibility. Chief Jordan and City Administrator both agreed that speed bumps and mirrors are needed in that area.

Kathy Tierney from South Pittsburg Rotary requested that the street on Cedar between Second and Third Street be closed on June 11th, 2022 for Sequatchie Valley Brew Fest, closure from 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm, also request to serve alcohol on the street. A **motion** was made by Commissioner Kellermann,

seconded by Mayor Rector to. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, No; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

Carolyn Millhiser requested that the phone number and name be posted at the Princess theatre in order to make reservations.

A Moment of Silence was observed in memory of Kevin Hudson.

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

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Samantha Rector

Heather Pickett, City Recorder