

October 13, 2014

City Council met in its regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Aikens and the following Councilmen were present: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler. James W. Wilburn, III., James K. Scott, and Amber Scott were also present.

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Wampler to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2014 City Council Meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Henline to add an item to the agenda. The item will be noted as Item #6. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Hines to add an item to the agenda. The item will be noted as Item #7. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

Mayor Aikens asked for comments from citizens regarding an item/items on the agenda.

Motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Shields to approve Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding bids for Sports Utility Vehicle for use in Police Department. This will be for a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe at \$17,186.00 (starting at \$37,441.00 with trade-in credit of \$19,000.00 for Suburban). The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Henline to approve Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding permission to go to bid for skid steer loader for use in the Street Department. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Shields to approve Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding renewals with Healthsmart Benefit Solutions (Third Party Administrator for Dental and Vision Direct Reimbursement Plan) for January 2015. The new administration fee comes to \$4.85 per employee (an increase of \$0.23 per employee). The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Wampler to approve Transportation Committee's recommendation regarding selection of Vaughn & Melton to be the engineering firm for Simpson Road Widening Project (based on evaluation criteria). The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Henline to approve contract and lease agreement for new Lenoir City Park Caretaker contingent upon City Attorney's approval. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Hines to approve Personnel Committee's recommendation regarding adoption of Program Coordinator job description for the Parks and Recreation Department and to approve placing Zack Cusick in that position. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Simpson to approve selection committee's recommendation regarding selection of McCarty Holsapple McCarty (architectural firm) to carry out

design services for the recently received Clean Energy Grant for the War Memorial Building. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

Mayor Aikens asked for comments from citizens regarding an item/items not on the agenda. Mayor Aikens recognized Ms. Connie Sledzinski, at which time she addressed City Council regarding status request for progress made on the multiple dog situation in her neighborhood. Chief White explained that he continues to work on the issue, and the City is beginning the process of looking into an Ordinance restricting the number of animals one can possess in the City without a boarding permit. Ms. Sledzinski was told the City would update her when more information comes available.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Shields to approve all bills and accounts to be paid when properly approved and funds available. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Hines to adjourn the October 13, 2014 meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Johnson, Shields, Simpson, and Wampler voting **AYE**.

James W. Wilburn, III., Recorder/Treasurer

Tony R. Aikens, Mayor