

February 24, 2025

The Lenoir City Council met in its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, February 24, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Tony Aikens and the following Council Members were present: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson. Amber Scott Kelso, Maggie Hunt, Shawn Bunch, Jim Wilburn, LaVonne Barbour, and Walter Johnson were also present.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Simpson to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2025 meeting. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Shields and seconded by Wampler to accept the agenda as written.

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

A motion was made by Kennedy and seconded by McNabb to accept the Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding adoption of Resolution to amend the Purchasing Policies regarding Purchase Orders and to set threshold for capitalization and establish language in the Purchasing Policies and Procedures reflecting such, purchase order limit would go from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00 and capitalization limit will go from \$1,000.00 to \$5,000.00 The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Resolution. 2025-02-24-2424-R-A.

A motion was made by McNabb and seconded by Brandon to approve opening interest-bearing bank account for the purpose of retainage for Public Safety Training Facility. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Brandon to adopt Resolution amending Section 6.4, Personal Leave/Birthday, of the Employment Policies and Procedures, for certain Police Department employees who work twelve (12) hour shifts. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Resolution. 2025-02-24-2424-R-B.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Simpson to approve payment for vehicles for the Police Department per the State Contract (State Bid) at a total cost of \$41,694.00 from Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Fiat of Columbia and installation of equipment at \$29,350.02. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Simpson to approve filling vacancy in Police Department with Mr. Donte Brown. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Kennedy and seconded by McNabb to approve going to bid for the 2024-2025 Paving Contract. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Shields and seconded by Kennedy to approve Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding Professional Services Agreement with Jack Southard Company for Stormwater Services. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Kennedy to approve Mr. Christopher Brown for permanent full-time employment, six (6) months probationary period satisfactorily completed (retroacted to February 10, 2025). The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made Simpson and seconded by Shields to adopt Ordinance to amend/adopt Sections, Title 12, Building, Utility, etc. Code, Chapter 4; Title 16, Streets and Sidewalks, etc., Chapter 2 and 3; Title 18, Water and Sewers, Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Title 19, Electricity and Gas, Chapter 2 of the Ordinances of the City of Lenoir City, Tennessee. Simpson called the question. The


following vote was recorded: Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**. McNabb voting **NO**.

City Council Member McNabb requested an update on the annexation lawsuit with Loudon County and asked for consideration of Attorney T. Scott Jones sending a monthly invoice, and giving a total amount owed to date. Ms. McNabb asked that it be placed on the current agenda, and Mayor Aikens confirmed with Attorney Johnson that we could not add this to the current agenda because it had already been accepted as written. However, Attorney Johnson said we could place it on the next agenda for City Council desired. So, with that, Mayor Aikens called for a roll call vote to have it placed on the next agenda: McNabb wants it placed on the next agenda; Kennedy doesn't see a need to have it on the next agenda but does want to know the total; Wampler wants to wait; Simpson wants to wait; Shields wants to wait; and Brandon wants to wait. After the roll call vote, Mayor Aikens stated that he would not place it on the next agenda but would try to get a total amount.

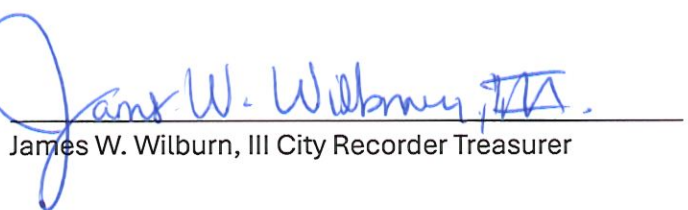
Mayor Aikens asked for comments from citizens concerning item/items not on the agenda.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by McNabb to approve all bills to be paid when properly approved and funds are available. The following vote was recorded: McNabb, Wampler, Kennedy, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Kennedy and seconded by Brandon to adjourn the February 24, 2025 Meeting.



Tony R. Aikens, Mayor



James W. Wilburn, III City Recorder Treasurer