

July 26, 2021

The City Council of Lenoir City met in its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, July 26, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Aikens and the following Council Members were present: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson. Amber Scott, Maggie Hunt, LaVonne Barbour, and Gregory Harrison were also present.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Shields to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2021 City Council Meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Mayor Aikens requested adding an item to the agenda for consideration of hiring George Taylor Eldridge to fill vacancy in the Police Department. A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Brandon to add the item to the agenda as Agenda Item #6. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Ms. Rachel Harrell with the Loudon County Visitors Bureau gave a brief presentation on current marketing activities and the occupancy trend data from 2019-2021.

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

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Shields to approve closure of Depot Street (same area of Depot Street as outlined in the Special Event Permit Area) for Loudon County Chamber of Commerce's 2021 Chamber Choice Awards on Thursday, October 7, 2021 with street closure from 3:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Wampler to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding award of bid for acrylic polymer coating of the Downtown Lenoir City Parklet at South A Street. The bid is awarded to Shuler Crew Construction, Inc. at a cost of \$48,600.00. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Shields and seconded by Brandon to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding purchase of tractor for use in the Parks and Recreation Department via Sourcewell at a cost of \$36,159.20. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Shields to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding lease agreement with RJ Young for copiers for use in the Treasury, Codes Enforcement, and Parks & Recreation Departments. This is a five-year lease at \$273.61 per month. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Shields to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding purchase of pole camera system (four cameras) via the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Drug Task Force (City of Lenoir City serves as fiduciary for the fund via Memorandum of Understanding previously approved by City Council). This will be purchased from Advanced Covert Technologies at a cost of \$24,789.00. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

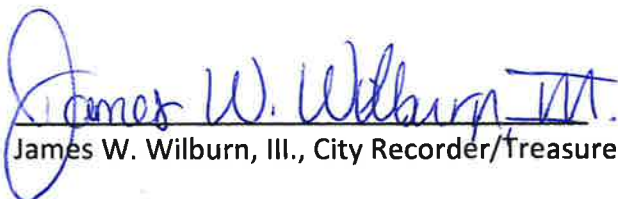
A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Wampler to approve hiring George Taylor Eldridge to fill vacancy in the Police Department. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

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

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

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Brandon to adjourn the July 26, 2021 meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

  
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Tony R. Aikens, Mayor

  
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James W. Wilburn, III., City Recorder/Treasurer