

Meeting Minutes
July 31, 2023

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Sweetwater met in a called meeting and workshop session at 5 p.m. on Monday, July 31, 2023. Mayor Doyle F. Lowe called the meeting to order with Commissioners present being: Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, JoAnna Jinks, and James H. Stutts. City Attorney John Cleveland was present.

On the called meeting agenda, Commissioner Richeson moved to appoint Todd Torbett as full-time firefighter. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Richeson moved to appoint Landon Purdy as the IT Director. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Jinks moved to approve the appointment of David Moses as Street Superintendent; Eric Hicks as Street Supervisor and hiring of three full-time employees to fill vacancies: Levi Jacobs, Taylor Lanter, and Brandon Watson. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried. Mayor Lowe administered the following Oath of Office to David Moses:

**I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution
of the United States and of the State of Tennessee
and the Charter and ordinances of the City of Sweetwater,
and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office
to which I have been appointed, and which I am about to assume.**

Commissioner Moser moved to approve Tommy Millsaps as a part-time 150th Celebration Coordinator. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

The city board adjourned and reconvened as the Sweetwater Beer Board to review an application for an on-and-off premises permit for Sweetwater TAPS, LLC to be located at 702 N Main Street, Sweetwater. Chief Byrum advised the background checks were clear and recommended approval. Commissioner Stutts moved to approve the permit. The motion was seconded. City Attorney John Cleveland advised this would qualify under the craft beer as part of the newly updated beer ordinance, as long as there was seating for 20. City Recorder Jessica Morgan advised she had confirmed with the

owners that there would be over 20 seats and craft beer would be served. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

In workshop discussion, City Recorder Jessica Morgan reviewed the property available from Sweetwater Utilities Board and the potential to swap land for the property behind the depot. The board agreed to hire surveyor to survey all the properties considered and the library.

The board was invited to attend the meeting for the 150th Celebration committee and participate as much as they would like.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

This the 31st day of July, 2023

Mayor

Attest: _____

RECORDER