

Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2018

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners met in their regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 5 pm at City Hall.

Commissioner Moser opened the meeting with an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by guest Kilynn Anderson. Commissioners present included Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Edward Lee, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton

Commissioner Moser moved to approve the minutes from the meeting of February 5, 2018 and the workshop and called meeting of February 26, 2018, with Commissioner Hughes seconding the motion. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

After the Recorder's Report, Commissioner West moved to approve the distributions for the month of February 2018, with Commissioner Stockton seconding. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

A public hearing was opened to take comment on the Resolution to amend the Employee Handbook regarding banked sick days. No written or oral comments were given. The public hearing was closed at 5:05 p.m.

Mayor Lowe recognized the 2017 recipients of the Distinguished Citizen of the Year award. Patricia Anderson was given the award, with Mayor Lowe noting she was the longest continually serving teacher in the Sweetwater City School System, serving 49 years and retiring this year. Mayor Lowe also presented the award to Dewitt Upton, having been the first African American Captain at SHS, serving in the National Guard, coaching little league baseball and football for 40 years in Sweetwater, and being elected the first African American Monroe County School Board member, currently in his 24th year.

There was no old business to discuss. In New Business, Commissioner West recommended the election of Joe Lynn to fill the vacancy in the Street Department left by the death of Randy Moss. Commissioner Hughes moved to approve the hiring, with Commissioner Moser seconding the motion. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Hughes recommended Josh Brewster to be hired as a part-time laborer in the Parks Department as seasonal help. Commissioner Moser moved to approve the hiring, with Commissioner Stockton seconding the motion. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Hughes moved to approve Ordinance No. 959 entitled An Ordinance to rezone a portion of parcels 102.02 and 102.00 of Monroe County Tax Map 033 from R-1 and R-2 to C-3 on first reading. Commissioner Stockton seconded the motion. Commissioner Moser recused himself from the action, noting he planned on working as an architect with the potential buyers on their building. Upon Roll Call Voting the Ayes were as follows: Commissioner Hughes, West, and Stockton. Commissioner Lee passed on his vote. Nays being none. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve Ordinance NO. 960 entitled An Ordinance to rezone parcel 20.00 and a portion of parcel 4.00 of Monroe County Tax Map 023 from R-3 and C-3 to A-1 Agricultural on first reading. Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioners Hughes, Moser, Lee, West, and Stockton. Nays being none. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve Ordinance NO. 961 entitled An Ordinance to amend Title 13 of the Sweetwater Municipal Code on first reading. Commissioner Hughes seconded the motion. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioner Hughes, Moser, Lee, West, and Stockton. Nays being none. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Stockton moved to approve the Initial Resolution authorizing the issuance of \$2,061,800 Water and Sewer Revenue and Tax Bonds, with Commissioner West seconding the motion. Commissioner Moser recused himself from voting on the three Resolutions, disclosing he is the architect working for SUB on the building to be built with the bond proceeds. All remaining Commissioners voted aye, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Hughes moved to approve the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of \$1,584,100 Water and Sewer Revenue and Tax Bonds, with Commissioner Stockton seconding the motion. All remaining Commissioner voted aye, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Stockton moved to approve the Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of \$477,700 Water and Sewer Revenue and Tax Bonds, with Commissioner West seconding the motion. All remaining Commissioners voted aye, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve the Resolution to adopt a Capital Improvement Plan for 2019-2023, with Commissioner Hughes seconding the motion. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve the Resolution to amend the employee Handbook regarding banked sick days. Commissioner Lee seconded the motion. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Hughes moved to approve the Resolution to adopt the State of TN 401K and 457b agreements as a payroll deduction, replacing any prior plans. Commissioner Moser seconded the motion. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Stockton moved to approve the Resolution to authorize a reduced starting bid on the properties with assessments for the 2009 tax sale. Commissioner Moser seconded the motion. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

The board was reconvened as the Sweetwater Beer Board to review an off-premises application for Mi Pueblo Mexican Store located at 809 New Hwy 68 in Sweetwater. Chief Byrum advised the application appeared to meet the requirements. Commissioner West moved to approve the application, with Commissioner Hughes seconding the motion. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

This the 5th day of March, 2018