

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
City of McKenzie
McKenzie, TN 38201
December 9, 2019

- A. Call to Order — Mayor Holland
- B. Prayer — Councilman Riley
- C. Pledge of Allegiance — Councilman Riley
- D. Roll Call
 - Mayor Holland - Present
 - Councilperson Martin - Present
 - Councilperson Pruneau – Present
 - Councilperson Riley - Present
 - Vice Mayor Townes – Present
 - Councilperson Winston - Present
 - Councilperson Young - Present
- E. Mayor's Welcome:
Mayor Holland called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Holland extended a warm welcome to all.
- F. Open Public Hearing – Approval of South Main St – TAP for sidewalk grant
Hearing was closed with no citizen input.

Mayor Holland opened the public hearing. There were no comments. Hearing was then closed.

- G. Recognition of McKenzie High School Girl's Golf Team.
Members were read the proclamation and then shook hands with the council.

Recognition of McKenzie High School Logan Green with the Male Golf Team. Logan was recognized as being a State representative for 3 years straight with his scores. The council and audience also sang Happy Birthday to Logan. After the reading of the proclamation, he also shook hands with the council.

Coach Larry Joe Smith presented Mayor Holland a McKenzie High School golf shirt.

- H. Approval of Minutes
Motion made by Councilperson Riley, seconded by Councilperson Pruneau, to approve the minutes dated November 14, 2019

- I Financial Matters:
EW Electrical Solutions: Municipal Bldg. generator \$ 23,950.00

Motion was made by Councilman Pruneau, seconded by Vice Mayor Townes. Motion passed.

- J. Old Business:
1. 2nd reading of Ordinance 529 approving City's fiscal year budget July 2019-June 2020.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Motion was made by Councilperson Young, second by Councilperson Riley.

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion passes

2. Discussion/vote of capital outlay note for street lights on Hwy 22 & University and on Hwy 79 & exit ramp to Huntingdon. Security lights in parks.

Discussion: Mayor Holland asked the council if they would table this until next month, as Trane was taking care of the security lights in the park and there had been some discussion on going another route to do the exit ramps, but needed further investigation.

Action Taken: Motion was made by Councilperson Pruneau, second by Councilperson Winston.

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion passes

- K. New Business: Employee Christmas Bonus

Mayor Holland informed the council that the bonus had been included in the budget for \$ 100.00 for full time employees, and \$ 50.00 for part time employees.

Discussion:

Action Taken: Motion was made by Councilperson Young, second by Councilperson Townes to give bonuses to employees who had been working for six months.

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion passes.

- L. Any Other Business:
There was none

- M. Citizens Input: None

N. Department Head Reports:

Public Works Director Johnny Mercer reported that the leaf machine had been down since last Wednesday. They were expecting the parts in the first of next week. Work continues with the weekly brush & household pick up. Jim Pillow will be coming in the next couple of weeks to go over the ADA sidewalk plan.

Parks & Recreation Director Mike Beasley was not in attendance due to the death of his father. Jeremy Allen reported that park employees had been to a Parks & Rec conference at the end of November and learned a lot that they hoped to implement next springs. They had been busy decorating the downtown park for the upcoming Mistletoe Christmas festivities. Clean up was on-going at the recreational park.

Codes Enforcer Morrissett said there had been a lot of interest on the bids for the demolition of several properties. The Greenfield Bank was in the process of cleaning the Elwood house to sale. Clean-up had begun on the burned-out house on Woodrow was well.

Water Superintendent Wood stated the sewer grant was about 95% complete. They still had three (3) lift stations and blowers at the plant to complete. It would probably be another month.

Police Chief Craig Moates reported there was a total of 1820 calls for the month. 1016 security checks – home / business / parks, 322 vehicle stops, 147 investigations 10-43, traffic control –45, medical – 38, talk with an officer – 33, citizens assist – 25, and a wide variety of other service calls. In other reports, the Chief stated there were still issues with the radio situation. Fire Chief Tucker said that Kristy Megs had been here with Area Wide to look at the situation. Councilman Pruneau asked if we needed to go ahead with placing an antenna on the water tank. That the cost of the antenna was not worth the risk of someone's life due to the spotty reception. Chief Tucker stated there were signal issues and dead areas within town. When we have to send the signal to a low tower and then it has to come back to us, we lose it. He felt that an antenna on the water tank would result in a better signal due to its height. Chief Tucker will get back in touch with Kristy Megs and see what direction they are leaning. Mayor Holland said we would have it on the agenda in January. Councilman Winston said that we should not expect help from the county as it will be approximately five (5) years until they get all areas of the county covered.

Fire Chief Tucker was happy to report that he had received notice that we had retained our Class 3 rating. He then reported the fire department had responded to 16 incidents during the month of November, 7 commercial alarms, 4 motor vehicle accidents, 2 smoke investigations 1 each of residential alarms, residential fire and brush. Chief Tucker stated the Firehouse Chili supper had been successful with selling out of the 6 qts of chili. He stated that he had received 320.00 in donations and sales of 366.00 dollars. They will be donating all proceeds to the Angel Tree.

Mayor Holland gave the council a handout from the TML meeting she had attended. She said that an Advocacy Board had been established with 2 representatives from each district. She talked about the fact that in 1947 the State started the Shared State Taxes program, but in 2002 when the state got in trouble, they took a huge portion of the cities share away and have never restored that money. Over the last 8 years, total state revenues have increased by \$ 4.2 billion,

60% of that revenue is generated within municipal boundaries. She stated that we were not asking them to reimburse the money just to restore it.

O. With no further business, a motion was made by Councilperson Martin seconded by Councilperson Winston to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Jill Holland, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jennifer Waldrup, City Recorder-City Clerk