

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
City of McKenzie
McKenzie, TN 38201
November 14, 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

Mayor Holland opened the public hearing. There were no comments. Hearing was then closed.
- G. Recognition of McKenzie Youth Football League as the NW TN Football Champs.
- H. Approval of Minutes
Motion made by Councilperson Martin, seconded by Councilperson Young, to approve the minutes dated October 13, 2019

I Financial Matters:

Police to Local Government Server for	\$ 5,500.00
Water to Jones Electric (emergency purchase for controls)	\$ 13,000.00
Public Works for October approval of Euclid paving	\$ 95,480.00

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

J. Old Business:
None

K. New Business:

1. Discuss and approve condemnation of the following properties:
 - a. 276 Elm St. – Bryce Gaston
 - b. 44 Linden St – Kristy Adams
 - c. 80 Paris St – Keith Traywick
 - d. Magnolia Ave - Hayes Trailer Park

Discussion: Mayor Holland informed the council that we no longer had to send these condemnations to chancery court as long as the council approved it after the Codes Inspector had made a recommendation and it had gone before the Condemnation Board.

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

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

2. Bid opening for generator installation

Discussion: There was only one bid received from B & E Solutions in Paris, TN for the amount of \$ 23,950.00 This bid is for a one-year warranty on workmanship. Mayor Holland called on Fire Chief Tucker to explain the situation. Fire Chief Tucker explained that the installation was over the limits of our local electricians to do. He had reached out as far as Nashville and had been told they would not bid due to the cost of bringing crews in would push the bid to an exorbitant amount. B & E Solutions was the closest to be found.

Action Taken: Motion was made by Councilman Pruneau, second by Councilman Martin to approve the bid and go forward with the installation of the generator.

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

3 Discussion and approval of capital outlay note for street lights on Hwy 22 and University and on Hwy 9 and exit ramp to Huntingdon. Motion made by Councilperson Riley, second by Councilman Pruneau to discuss.

Discussion: Mayor Holland explained that in the past there had been a lot of citizens who had complained about it being so dark at these intersections and that Trane had also recommended we add lights here as well. We cannot add this to the loan we already have out for the other lighting project going on now. She spoke with Tommy Greene with the bond fund about making a new loan for \$ 150,000.00 to light both intersections and some additional lighting at both recreational parks. The cost is \$ 49,000.00 at each intersection, which includes 2 lights and a galvanized pole with a 15' reach. The additional \$ 50,000.00 would be spent at the City Recreational Park; Chief Moates was called on to verify the road going into the recreational park was very dark as well as other areas within the park. Mulberry Park is very

dark by the bathrooms and by the playground equipment. We said we could plan on the \$ 150,000.00, but it could be less. Councilman Young said he had looked at the sites the previous night and thinks that is a lot of money for four (4) lights. Mayor Holland said that the other specs only included one (1) light on a pole, which would not give the light the four on the galvanized long reach pole would. She stated if we did this, we should do really consider the better lighting option due to the area being so dark and hard to tell where to turn and one (1) light would just not solve the problem. She had talked to the State and legislature for years and nothing had been done yet. Councilman Winston asked would the savings guarantee be in effect with this Capital Loan as well. Mayor Holland said she was unsure and would talk with Trane. Water Superintendent asked if he make a statement and was allowed. He stated that he did not think there would be any savings, as there were no lights there, and the savings factor came in where we replaced lights. Council Pruneau asked if we could make a motion that if the savings benefit of the first part would still take place that Mayor Holland be able to proceed. Mayor Holland said that Tom Smith had come in with a petition a couple of years ago concerning the intersection matter and that she had lots of complaints at Nights on Broadway, the Senior Citizens Buildings and older citizens who find it difficult to see at night. Many saying they had to slow down and creep along to see the turn in for University Drive; this also hampers those from out of town coming to Bethel activities. Mayor Holland ended by asking the council to go out and speak with their constituents.

Action Taken: Motion was made by Councilperson Riley to table this until the December meeting. Second by Vice Mayor Townes.

4. Approval to appoint Linda Howton to the Planning Commission.

Discussion: Mayor Holland was recommending Ms. Howton to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Ken Bean. She stated that we were grieved and sorry to have lost Mr. Bean who passed away last month after an illness.

Action Taken: A motion was made by Councilperson Martin, second by Councilperson Pruneau to appoint Ms. Howton to the Planning Commission. Motion passes.

5. Ordinance 529 approving City's fiscal year budget July 2019 June 2020.

Discussion: Mayor Holland stated the budget remained unchanged since it had passed, we just needed to approve it for the Ordinance statement.

Action Taken: Councilperson Riley made a motion to pass Ordinance 528 on first reading, with a second from Councilperson Young.

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 this week was household pickup. The leaf truck is up and running. They worked a couple of days with Edison Electric/Trane on the installation of the new traffic lights at both Highland locations. Equipment maintenance is con going.

Parks & Recreation Director Mike Beasley was not in attendance due to an emergency, but Jeremy Allen was there to represent the park. Jeremy stated that they had begun putting up Christmas decorations in the downtown Veterans Park. They had also helped with the City Hall decorations. Soccer season is now over. They were also busy raking and mulching leaves in the City Recreational Park.

Codes Enforcer Morrissett is working on putting notice on garbage cans that are left out after the garbage runs. He is concentrating on junk cars that need to be removed from properties.

Water Superintendent Wood stated the water meter should be complete in a couple of weeks. The realignment of the sewer lines was progressing, they are now re-establishing laterals to the houses.

Police Chief Craig Moates reported there was a total of 1338 calls for the month. 542 security checks – home / business / parks, 243 vehicle stops, 186 investigations 10-43, traffic control –49, medical – 49, talk with an officer – 33, alarm-burglar/panic/fire – 26, citizens assist – 29, and a wide variety of other service calls. In other reports,

Fire Chief Tucker reported the fire department had responded to 36 incidents during the month of October. 11 commercial alarms, EMS assist, 4 each with motor vehicle accidents, residential alarms and smoke investigations. They had attended a large grass fire in a bean field out on Newton Road that was contained before

O. With no further business, a motion was made by Councilperson Martin seconded by Councilperson Young to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Jill Holland, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jennifer Waldrup, City Recorder-City Clerk