The City Council of Lenoir City met in its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, July 12, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Aikens and the following Council Members were present: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon. Councilman Shields and Councilman Simpson were absent. Amber Scott, Jim Wilburn, Maggie Hunt, and LaVonne Barbour were also present. Gregory Harrison was absent.

Mayor Aikens requested adding two items to the agenda.

The first item was for consideration of approving grant for Fire Truck. A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Henline to add the item to the agenda as Agenda Item #6. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting AYE. Shields and Simpson were ABSENT. The second item was for consideration/discussion of a one (1) time contribution of \$5,000.00 to the Loudon County Visitors Bureau for Fishing Tournament. A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Wampler to add the item to the agenda as Item #7. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting AYE. Shields and Simpson were ABSENT.

Mayor Aikens reminded everyone of the new date for the re-scheduled ribbon cutting for the Central Park Phase II Splashpad and Pavilion that will be held on Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 11:00 A.M.

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

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Henline to approve authorizing the Codes Enforcement and Planning Department not to participate in the AFT (Adequate Facilities Tax) documentation process, effective immediately. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting AYE. Shields and Simpson were ABSENT.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Brandon to approve use of the Downtown Lenoir City Parklet at South A Street for an event hosted by Roane State Community College on Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting AYE. Shields and Simpson were ABSENT.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Brandon to approve closure of North B Street from Broadway to First Avenue and closure of First Avenue from B Street to A Street on Saturday, August 28, 2021 from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for event benefitting Loudon County Habitat for Humanity and the Child Advocacy Center of the 9th Judicial District. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting **AYE**. Shields and Simpson were **ABSENT**.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Henline to approve closure of a block from Walnut Street to Cherry Street for Bell Avenue Baptist Church Vacation Bible School each evening of the week of July 26, 2021 to July 30, 2021 from 5:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting **AYE**. Shields and Simpson were **ABSENT**.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Wampler to approve Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding award of contract to Stansell Electric Company Inc. for CMAQ ITS (Congestion Mitigation Air Quality- Intelligent Transportation System) Signal Optimization /Improvement Project on Highway 11 and Highway 321 at a total bid amount of \$1,361,136.00. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting AYE. Shields and Simpson were ABSENT.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Henline to approve grant with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation for Fire Truck. The total amount of the grant is \$451,884.75 to be used toward the purchase of a \$602,513.00 fire truck. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting AYE. Shields and Simpson were ABSENT.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Wampler to approve a one (1) time contribution of \$5,000.00 to the Loudon County Visitor Bureau for Fishing Tournament to be held on November 4-5, 2021. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting AYE. Shields and Simpson were ABSENT.

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, and Brandon voting AYE. Shields and Simpson were ABSENT.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Brandon to adjourn the July 12, 2021 meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, and Brandon voting **AYE**. Shields and Simpson were **ABSENT**.

Tony R. Aikens, Mayor

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