

August 22, 2022

The City Council of Lenoir City met in a Public Hearing on Monday, August 22, 2022 at 5:45 P.M. The purpose of the Public Hearing was for presentation of the conclusion from the Committee established to review and evaluate the salary of the City Judge. Mayor Aikens and the following Council Members were present: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson. Amber Scott Kelso, Maggie Hunt, and LaVonne Barbour were also present.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Shields to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022 meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Mayor Aikens requested adding additional language to Agenda Item #1 for Consideration of adopting Resolution to establish and maintain the salary of the popularly elected Lenoir City Municipal Judge. A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Henline to approve to add the language to Agenda Item #1. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

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

Ms. Tammy Powell spoke on Agenda Item #1. In favor of raising the Judges pay back to the previous salary due to the time commitment and complexity of cases to be heard.

Mr. Chris Swafford spoke on Agenda Item #1. Recommends raising pay and feels that the increased hours and cases will benefit our community.

Mr. David Flynn spoke on Agenda Item #1 He expressed that he feels with the added responsibilities of having General Sessions Jurisdiction and holding court three days per week the salary should be at least the previous salary.

Mr. Don White Spoke on Agenda Item #1. Mr. White feels that the court has had issues with performance for some time, and the courtroom was designed to have General Sessions Court Cases and it should be utilized for that purpose, which comes with added responsibilities.

A motion was made by Wampler and seconded by Henline to approve recommendation from committee established to review and evaluate the salary of the City Judge and adopt Resolution to establish and maintain the salary of the popularly elected Lenoir City Municipal Judge. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE. Resolution 2022-08-22-2337.**

A motion was made by Shields and seconded by Henline to accept the Personnel Committee's recommendation to appoint Mr. Walter Johnson as City Attorney for the upcoming vacancy. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Shields to adopt Ordinance to amend Title 15, Chapter 6 of the Lenoir City Municipal Code by adding Section 15-614 "Executive Meadows Parking Restrictions" and adopt an "Executive Meadows Parking Map." The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.
First Reading.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Simpson to approve the opening of bank account for the 9th Judicial District Drug Task Force Funds. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Mayor Aikens asked for comments from citizens regarding an item/items not on the agenda.

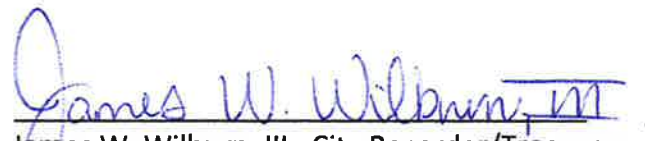
Mr. George Bove addressed concerns with an individual vaping in a public meeting.

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, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Shields to adjourn the August 22, 2022 meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Hines, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.



Tony R. Aikens, Mayor



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