

August 14, 2023

The Lenoir City Council met in its regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00 P.M. on Monday, August 14, 2023. Mayor Tony Aikens and the following Council Members were present: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson. Jim Wilburn, Walter Johnson, Amber Scott Kelso, Maggie Hunt and LaVonne Barbour were also present.

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

Boy Scout Troop 770 was present at the meeting and gave us the pleasure of leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Wampler to approve minutes from the July 24, 2023 City Council Meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Shields and seconded by Simpson to approve the street closure of Broadway from Kingston Street to C Street and portion of Depot Street for the Downtown Street Festival and Car Show on September 23, 2023 (Depot Street closure from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Broadway closure 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM). The following vote was recorded: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Brandon to approve Purchasing Committee's recommendation regarding the expenditure of \$6,249.00 (a one-time fee) and \$100.00 dollars per hour per month to Slamdot for the Website management, and hosting services. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

Jack Qualls, Director of the Loudon County EDA, addressed the Mayor and Board regarding adoption of an Ordinance to vacant a portion of right-of-way on Bank Street between East Depot Street and Nelson Street and return the underlying property to the adjoining property owner currently identified as the Industrial Development Board of the City of Lenoir City. A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Kennedy to approve the First Reading of the Ordinance to vacant a portion of right-of-way on Bank Street between East Depot Street and Nelson Street and return the underlying property to the adjoining property owner currently identified as the Industrial Development Board of the City of Lenoir City. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

First Reading.

A motion was made by Simpson and seconded by Brandon to approve the permanent full-time employment of Spencer Tatham, with the Lenoir City Police Department, after satisfactorily completing his six (6) months probationary period. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Brandon and seconded by Simpson to approve the permanent full-time employment of Jesse Robinson, with the Lenoir City Police Department, after satisfactorily completing his six (6) months probationary period. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

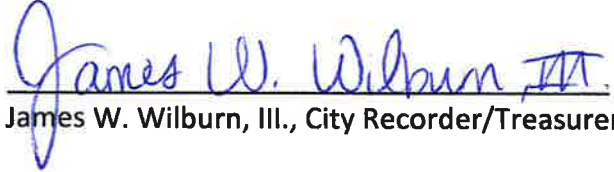
Mayor Aikens asked for comments from citizens concerning an item/items not on the agenda.

A motion was made by Wampler and second by Shields to approve all bills to be paid when properly approved and funds are available. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.

A motion was made by Henline and seconded by Brandon to adjourn the August 14, 2023 meeting. The following vote was recorded: Henline, Kennedy, Wampler, Shields, Brandon, and Simpson voting **AYE**.



Tony R. Aikens, Mayor



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