

MINUTES OF MEETING, ATHENS CITY COUNCIL, JANUARY 19, 2016

The Athens City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Davis presiding. The invocation was given by Council Member Raper; and upon roll call, the following members were present:

Burris, Pelley, Raper, Perkinson, Davis

The following decisions were made and ordered made a part of the records of the Athens City Council.

- 1 -
MINUTES

The Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of December 15, 2015 was submitted and approved by unanimous consent.

- 2 -
COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION – SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION WEEK

Mayor Davis read a proclamation recognizing the week of January 24-30, 2016 as "School Board Appreciation Week". Mike Bivens, Chairman from the Athens City Schools School Board, was present to accept the proclamation on behalf of the School Board. Dr. Melanie Miller, Director of Athens City Schools, and Mike Simmons, Athens City Middle School Principal, were also in attendance.

- 3 -
PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

AUDIENCE

Mayor Davis opened the meeting for petitions and requests from the audience. There were none presented at this time.

- 4 -
REPORTS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mr. Michael Keith, Finance Director, presented the Finance Department Report for the month of December 2015. The report was accepted as presented.

- 5 -

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Chuck Ziegler presented the Police Department Report for the month of December 2015. The report was accepted as presented.

- 6 -

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Dyer presented the Fire Department Report for the month of December 2015. The report was accepted as presented.

- 7 -

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY/ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Anthony Casteel, Community Development Director, presented the Building Permit Quarterly/Annual Report for the City of Athens. The report was accepted as presented.

- 8 -
CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Davis advised that the following items were discussed during the recent work session and are presented as a part of the Consent Agenda. The recording clerk read the items into the record:

- a.) Approve Athens Travelers Car Show Request for the 2016 Downtown Cruise In – (Approval contingent upon talking with all downtown merchants);
- b.) Approve Resolution No. 2016-01 to declare the week of January 24-30, 2016, Athens Flood Awareness Week;
- c.) Approve Resolution No. 2016-02 authorizing submission of a CDBG grant application to the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development to rehabilitate existing sewer lines;
- d.) Approve Resolution No. 2016-03 authorizing participation in the Tennessee Municipal League Risk Management Pool’s Property Conservation Matching Grant Program;
- e.) Accept bid (Bid No. 1623 dated December 22, 2015) as submitted by Stringfellow for a Demo Tymco Street Sweeper;
- f.) Accept bid (Bid No. 1624 dated December 22, 2015) as submitted by Municipal Equipment for a 2016 Mack with the New Way Mammoth Packer.

Mayor Davis noted the Athens Travelers had complied with the City Council’s request to obtain signatures from the downtown merchants showing their support of the 2016 Downtown Cruise In. **On motion by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Council Member Raper, the Consent Agenda as stated above was approved by the following roll call vote:**

AYES: Burris, Pelley, Raper, Perkinson, Davis
NAYS: None

- 9 -
ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 1045 – SECOND/FINAL READING – PUBLIC HEARING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE, PROVIDING THAT THE ATHENS MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 14, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 3.04.06.B. BE AMENDED TO ADD REGULATIONS THAT ADDRESS CAR DEALERSHIPS IN THE B-1 LOCAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AS USES PERMITTED; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The caption of the above-described Ordinance was read by the recording clerk. Mayor Davis opened the public hearing. There being no one present wishing to discuss the Ordinance, Public Hearing was closed. **A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkinson, seconded by Council Member Burris, to approve Ordinance No. 1045 on Second and Final Reading.** Ordinance No. 1045 was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Burris, Pelley, Raper, Perkinson, Davis
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

ORDINANCE NO. 1046 – SECOND/FINAL READING – PUBLIC HEARING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, TENNESSEE, PROVIDING THAT THE ATHENS MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 14, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 4.16 TELECOMMUNICATION STRUCTURES BE AMENDED TO ADD LANGUAGE THAT CLARIFIES THE SETBACKS FROM RESIDENTIAL USES AND DISTRICTS AND

FENCING REQUIREMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The caption of the above-described Ordinance was read by the recording clerk. Mayor Davis opened the public hearing. There being no one present wishing to discuss the Ordinance, Public Hearing was closed. **A motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Vice Mayor Perkinson, to approve Ordinance No. 1046 on Second and Final Reading.** Ordinance No. 1046 was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Burris, Pelley, Raper, Perkinson, Davis
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

- 11 -
NEW BUSINESS

ACCEPTANCE OF COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL AUDIT (CITY/ AUB/ ACS)

Mr. Keith presented the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2015. He reminded the City Council that they had received a clean audit report and there were no findings. Mr. Keith briefly highlighted the key components of the report. He invited anyone with questions regarding this report to contact the Finance Department. Interested individuals will find the current financial report and reports from prior years on the city's web site. Copies of the report are also available for review in the Finance Department. **A motion was made by Council Member Pelley, seconded by Council Member Burris, to accept the Annual Comprehensive Financial Audit for the year ended June 30, 2015 as presented.** Upon roll call, the motion was accepted by the following vote:

AYES: Burris, Pelley, Raper, Perkinson, Davis
NAYS: None

- 12 -

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Moore presented the Manager's Report. He reviewed the progress of current city projects/meetings scheduled during the months of January/February. The report was accepted as presented.

- 13 -
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting and upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.



MITCHELL B. MOORE, City Manager



ANN S. DAVIS, Mayor