

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF KENTON
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in a regular scheduled meeting September 7, 2021 at the city hall.

Those in attendance were Mayor Danny Jowers, Alderpersons Glenn Zarecor, Jesse Griggs, Tim Johns, Harold Banks, Sarah Skinner, Wade Simpson & Recorder Shayna Jackson.

Prayer was led by Mayor Danny Jowers.

A motion was made by Jesse Griggs, seconded by Tim Johns, to accept the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Before the monthly bills were approved for payment, Recorder Shayna Jackson stated that the Gibson County Marching Band has sent a donation letter for their trip to Pasadena. According to the minutes from 12/03/19, a motion was made to give a donation but the dollar amount was not set. It is the wishes of the board to see what other towns are doing and to discuss at next meeting. Also, there was brief discussion about the invoice from the Gibson County Mayor's office for 2021-2022 economic development dues. The board did not approve this for invoice for payment. A motion was made by Tim Johns, seconded by Wade Simpson, to pay the monthly bills. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sarah Skinner, seconded by Tim Johns, to accept the 1st and final reading of Resolution 2021-5, approving to apply for the 2021 Multimodal Access Grant. These grant funds will be used to continue an existing sidewalk from the downtown area to the local grocery store. Motion carried.

Mayor Jowers presented a sample copy of a "Vicious Dog Regulations" ordinance and asked the board to review it. Some items discussed were the dollar amount of the liability insurance in Section (F) and the penalty amounts in Section (G). The Mayor asked to pass this on the 1st reading and amendments can be made before the 2nd reading. A motion was made by Wade Simpson, seconded by Sarah Skinner, to accept the 1st reading of Ord. 2021-6 with the amendment on Section (G) to read ".....and may be punished by a fine of \$25 for 1st offense and \$50 for 2nd offense...". Motion carried.

The State of TN Comptroller's office recommends all municipalities to open a special bank account specific to the American Rescue Plan Act Grant monies. A motion was made by Wade Simpson, seconded by Tim Johns, to grant permission to Recorder Shayna Jackson to open separate account at Simmons Bank for the ARPA Grant. Motion carried.

Public Works Director, Waylon Ball, addressed the board regarding culvert installation and pricing on private properties. He suggests having rates set and in a written form so that a homeowner will be made aware of the cost before a project is started. Mayor Jowers will get with MTAS and have an ordinance drafted and ready by next meeting.

After all reports were given, Harold Banks asked if the Mayor would explain in more detail the "\$20 water user fee" that was discussed in the last meeting. Commissioner Banks feels that the current billing procedure is fair and keeps the consumption readings in order; therefore he thinks the board should rescind the previous motion. A motion was made by Wade Simpson, seconded by Tim Johns, to rescind the previous order and to continue the original billing process for rental property. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Wade Simpson, seconded by Tim Johns, for the meeting to adjourn. Motion carried.



Danny Jowers, Mayor



Shayna Jackson, Recorder