

**MINUTES
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 21, 2019**

Board present

Mayor Ann Schneider
Vice-Mayor Tim Harris
Alderman Bobby Trotter
Alderman Jeff Gragg
Alderman James Hubbard
Alderman Clay Sneed
Alderman Bruce Head

Staff present

Assistant City Manager Ryan Martin
City Recorder Lisa H. Crockett
City Attorney Christy Bartee
City Clerk Kimberly Brickles

Staff absent

City Manager Gina Holt

1.0 Call to order 6:00 P.M.

1.1 Pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

Mayor Schneider recognized Alderman Bobby Trotter for his induction into the inaugural class of the REdl Education Foundation Hall of Fame for graduates of Robertson County schools.

Mayor Schneider congratulated the Springfield High School Lady Jackets softball team for advancing to their first-ever State Tournament.

1.2 State Senator Kerry Roberts presented a Bicentennial Proclamation from the Tennessee General Assembly.

1.3 Alderman Harris moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen held April 16, 2019 and special meeting held May 7, 2019. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed unanimously.

1.4 Public Hearing:

1. Ordinance 19-06, an ordinance abandoning right-of-way on Gorham Avenue.
2. Ordinance 19-07, an ordinance abandoning right-of-way at the end of New Hope Lane.

2.0 Legislative

- 2.1 Alderman Gragg moved to approve Ordinance 19-06 on second reading. An ordinance abandoning right-of-way on Gorham Avenue. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.2 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-07 on second reading. An ordinance abandoning right-of-way at the end of New Hope Lane. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.3 Alderman Gragg moved to approve Ordinance 19-08 on first reading. An ordinance rezoning ten parcels located in the 9th civil district on North Main Street, North Willow Street, and 4th Avenue East from residential to core commercial. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.4 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-09 on first reading. An ordinance amending the fiscal year 2019 annual budget for the City of Springfield by amending certain General Fund operating budgets. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.5 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-10 on first reading. An ordinance adopting the annual budget (and tax rate) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The motion was seconded by Alderman Trotter.

Alderman Harris moved to amend the fiscal year 2019-2020 budget to include the Public Affairs Coordinator position to begin July 1, 2019 instead of January 1, 2020 for an additional cost of \$31,000 to be split between the General Fund and Utilities. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

The original motion as amended was brought back to the floor and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

- 2.6 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-11 on first reading. An ordinance rescinding Ordinance 18-14 in its entirety and setting a new schedule of rates and charges for the Springfield Water System. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.7 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-12 on first reading. An ordinance rescinding Ordinance 17-08 in its entirety and setting a new schedule of rates and charges for the Springfield Wastewater System. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

- 2.8 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-13 on first reading. An ordinance setting a new schedule of rates and charges for the Springfield Storm Water System. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.9 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-14 on first reading. An ordinance amending the schedule of fees and charges for play at The Legacy Golf Course by rescinding Ordinance 18-07 in its entirety and substituting a new schedule of fees. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.10 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-15 on first reading. An ordinance amending the City of Springfield Department of Utilities Service Practice Policies. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.11 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Resolution 19-12. A resolution declaring certain property surplus and authorizing the disposal of such property. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

The surplus property included items from the Gas Department as well as computers from various departments.

- 2.12 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Resolution 19-13. A resolution accepting a subdivision bond from Reyes Construction, LLC in the amount of \$245,000 in order to guarantee the completion of street, drainage, and electrical improvements in Village Greens of Springfield, Section 4. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 2.13 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Resolution 19-14. A resolution to adopt a policy regarding opening invocations before regular meetings of the Springfield Board of Mayor and Aldermen. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris.

Alderman Sneed moved to amend Resolution 19-14 by changing the length of time for the invocation from 3 (three) minutes to 2 (two) minutes. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 5-2 roll call vote. Ayes: Hubbard, Sneed, Harris, Head, Gragg Nays: Trotter, Schneider

The original motion as amended was brought back to the floor and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

3.0 Administrative

- 3.1 Alderman Harris moved to approve the monthly TVA wholesale fuel cost adjustment of \$0.01747 per kilowatt hour effective June 1, 2019. The motion was seconded by Alderman Trotter and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

The resulting retail rate is 7% higher than last month and will result in a \$4.47 to \$7.46 increase in the average residential electric bill.

- 3.2 Alderman Harris moved to approve the adjustment of monthly gas rates of the Springfield Gas Department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

The Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) decreased to \$0.3561 or 2.55% from the previous month. The actual decrease in rates across the board averaged 1.49%.

- 3.3 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve offers on surplus properties acquired via delinquent tax sales. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

The following is the offeror, property address, and offer.

Carl Krantz	1509 John L. Patterson St.	\$5,750
Venture 24, LLC	1707 Batts Blvd.	\$26,400
Reyes Construction, Inc	201 17 th Ave. East	\$8,875
Level 1 Real Estate Group	804 Poplar Ave.	\$12,130

Mayor Schneider called for a 5-minute recess.

- 3.4 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve a change to the scope of work for the hydraulic study with Jacobs Engineering, Inc for an additional \$14,840 and extension of 165 days. The new contract will end May 31, 2019. The revised contract amount will be \$64,840. The motion was seconded by Alderman Head and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 3.5 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve the contract extension with Green Village Recycling for recycling collection and marketing services for an additional 12 months through the period ending June 30, 2020. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- 3.6 Alderman Harris moved to approve the appointments/reappointments to the following boards and commissions. The motion was seconded by Alderman Trotter and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.
- Board of Zoning Appeals – Curtis Payne, Wards 1 & 2
 - Historic Preservation Commission – Tony Cowan, At-Large
 - Historic Preservation Commission – Phil Klober, Ad Hoc
 - Parks and Recreation Board – Danielle Hand, Ward 4
 - Parks and Recreation Board – Kim Moffitt, Ward 6

3.7 Alderman Sneed moved to defer his request to sync certain traffic lights to flash during certain hours. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed unanimously.

3.8 Brief presentation by Chief Head of the recently released 2018 Crime in Tennessee Report.

Alderman Sneed moved to recess for an executive session to discuss pending litigation. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

Mayor Schneider called the regular session back to order following the executive session.

3.9 Alderman Hubbard moved to discuss an agreement related to the Springfield/Robertson County Joint Airport. The motion was seconded by Alderman Trotter.

Alderman Harris moved to approve the Mutual Release of Claims agreement and authorize Mayor Schneider to execute the release and authorize Dan Nolan to execute the Agreed Order to Dismiss the lawsuit on behalf of the City of Springfield. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

4.0 Consent

Alderman Harris moved to approve consent items 4.1 and 4.2. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

4.1 Electric Department's request to purchase fourteen-hundred (1400) Itron AMI meters from Anixter Power Solutions of Nashville, TN in the amount of \$161,000 as a sole source. Budget: \$3,000,000

4.2 Water/Wastewater Department's request to purchase four (4) Hach turbidimeters and maintenance kit from Hach Company of Loveland, CO in the amount of \$15,319.79 as a sole source.

Alderman Hubbard moved to approve consent item 4.3. The motion was seconded by Alderman Trotter and passed by a 7-0 roll call vote.

4.3 Police Department's request to purchase a Drug K-9 from Canine Command LLC of Hendersonville, TN in the amount of \$13,000. Funding: Drug Fund

Mayor Schneider invited everyone to the Bicentennial Splash Bash and Ribbon Cutting at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park on Saturday, May 25 from

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM. DJ Johnny, Hollingsworth Grilling Team, and Hunt Brothers Pizza will all be onsite.

Chief Head invited everyone to attend the Community Day sponsored by the officers of the Springfield Police Department. Officers will be serving hamburgers and hotdogs to the community in the parking lot next to St. John's Baptist Church on Batts Blvd. on Saturday, June 8 from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

5.0 City Manager's Report

Assistant City Manager Ryan Martin informed the board that IMC had withdrawn their offer to purchase property in the North Industrial Park adjoining Martinrea Fabco.

Mr. Martin also advised that representatives with The Retail Coach recently provided data from our retail gap analysis and retail trade area analysis to assist with targeting retailers for our community. The Retail Coach also held an informative workshop for downtown merchants.

Mr. Martin also mentioned the Bicentennial Splash Bash and invited everyone to attend. He also congratulated Alderman Trotter and Public Works Director Allan Ellis' daughter Jessica Durham on their inductions to the REdI Education Foundation Hall of Fame. He also sent well wishes to City Manager Gina Holt to get well soon.

Mayor Schneider reminded everyone to attend the First Friday Night Market on June 7, 2019.

Alderman Trotter thanked Barry Dean and Santa Fe Steakhouse for donating the food for the REdI Education Foundation Hall of Fame dinner.

6.0 Adjournment

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting.


Ann Schneider, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa H. Crockett, City Recorder