

CITY OF TRENTON

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Trenton, TN 38382
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Ricky Jackson, Mayor

CITY RECORDER
Leigh Ann Reynolds

CITY JUDGE
Jeff Mueller

CITY ATTORNEY
Richard Gossum

COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 12, 2021
6:00 P.M.
TRENTON CITY HALL

ALDERPERSONS
Michael Abbott
Tony Burriss
Frank Gibson
Rickey Graves
CeCe Jones
Billie Wade

- A. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome
- B. Invocation / Alderman Gibson
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Approve Minutes of the September 28th Meeting
- E. Recorder's Report
- F. Citizens' Input – Any Citizen Will Be Given Up To 3 Minutes to Address the Mayor on Any Issue
- G. OLD BUSINESS
 - 1. THDA Update
 - 2. KS Ware Update
 - 3. Music On The Square
- H. NEW BUSINESS
 - 1. Fire Chief Update
- I. REPORTS
 - 1. None
- J. City Attorney's Report
- K. Alderman's Report
- L. Mayor's Report

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 12, 2021
6:00 PM
TRENTON CITY HALL

Mayor Jackson called the regular scheduled meeting to order. Those present were Aldermen Abbott, Burriss, Wade, Gibson, Graves and Alderwoman Jones. City employees were Eric Horne, Justin Morris, Wilson Chute, Ricky Bailey, Phil Hickerson, Joe Wamble, Terry Brown, Bill Cusson, Richard Gossum, William Hardin and Leigh Reynolds. Visitors present were Carolyn Little, Peggy Thornton, Valerie Coleman, Rob and Hannah Blurton and Darryl Word.

Alderman Gibson led the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance to follow.

Alderman Graves made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2021 council meeting. Alderman Wade seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

RECORDER'S REPORT

Leigh Reynolds reported the expenditures for the month. Alderman Abbott made a motion to approve the expenditures with general fund being \$155,588.07 and sanitation \$46,507.83. Alderwoman Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

CITIZENS' INPUT

Hannah Blurton presented on behalf of veterans and Trenton VFW the flag that was flown during the wall visit and a plaque to Mayor and Council.

OLD BUSINESS

THDA UPDATE

Mayor Jackson stated that pods have been moved in and the residents are moving out of their houses.

KS WARE UPDATE

Mayor Jackson stated that there has been a second monitoring of the wells and everything looks good. The next step will be capping it off and dirt work.

MUSIC ON THE SQUARE

The last Music on the Square will be October 16, 2021 beginning at 5:30 pm with Will Burton, Dudley Harris and Chad Karnes performing.

NEW BUSINESS

FIRE CHIEF UPDATE

Mayor Jackson stated that he has contacted 10 candidates for Fire Chief and we will need to do interviews.

ALDERMAN'S REPORT

All Aldermen thanked the citizens for attending the meeting.

Alderwoman Jones encouraged everyone to support Music on the Square.

Alderman Wade stated that he was told that the citizens sitting in the back cannot hear us. The cameras that were installed are working in certain areas, activity is down.

Alderman Gibson stated that he was a former teacher and he talked as loud as possible so his students could hear him but found out that they were not paying attention. We will try to talk louder so everyone can hear.

Alderman Graves stated that he is looking forward to getting a fire chief.

Joe Wamble stated that he appreciated all the help when the tree fell on power lines on 3rd Street. It was a City wide effort.

Terry Brown stated that they picked up a lot of cardboard and would like everyone to know that the schools have open tops and there is one behind Ed Jones Agriplex that collect and recycle cardboard.

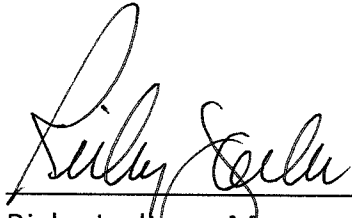
MAYOR'S REPORT

October 16, 2021 Music on the Square.

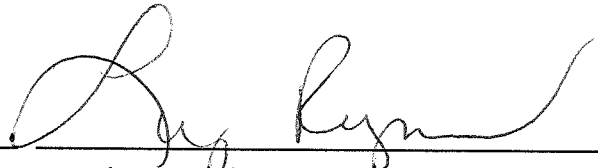
October 26, 2021 next regular scheduled council meeting.

Mayor Jackson thanked TL&W, Fire Department, Police Department, Street Department, and Phil Hickerson for everything they did when the tree fell on the power line.

Alderman Graves made a motion to adjourn at 6:17 pm. Alderman Abbott seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.



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- H. NEW BUSINESS
 - 1. Resolution 2021-R-6: Property Conservation Matching Grant Program
 - 2. Observance of Halloween
- I. REPORTS
 - 1. Alderman Abbott: Parks & Recreation
 - 2. Alderwoman Jones: Website / Cemetery
 - 3. Alderman Burriss: Street / Sanitation
 - 4. Alderman Wade: Police
 - 5. Alderman Gibson: Codes & Violations
 - 6. Alderman Graves: Fire / Budget
 - 7. Utility Manager Joe Wamble: Utilities
- J. City Attorney's Report
- K. Alderman's Report
- L. Mayor's Report

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 26, 2021
6:00 PM
TRENTON CITY HALL

Mayor Jackson called the regular scheduled meeting to order. Those present were Aldermen Abbott, Burriss, Wade, Gibson and Graves. City employees were Eric Horne, Justin Morris, Ricky Bailey, Phil Hickerson, Joe Wamble, Terry Brown, Bill Cusson, Richard Gossum and Leigh Reynolds. Visitors present were Carolyn Little, Peggy Thornton, Haywood and Myra Elam, Lillie Wade, Darryl Word, Pastor Bailey, Lillie Lancaster, and Debbie Bailey.

Alderman Graves led the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance to follow.

Alderman Gibson made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 council meeting. Alderman Abbott seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

CITIZENS' INPUT

Myra Elam residing at 1122 South High Street stated she got a phone call wanting her opinion on her friends that she defends downtown. She stated that sending a police officer to Terrence Elam house with a letter to terminate him was not the way to handle the situation. He is a department head and deserved better than that.

Pastor Bailey, pastor at First Baptist North on Gibson Street. I am coming concerning the injustice to Chief Elam, it was my understanding that he would not hold his position as Chief but he was to get help that was needed and hold a position until after the court date. He said "that he did not want to pull out the issue in what it looks like but Trenton has never had a Black Fire Chief until Terrence and it is not right that you terminated him." I will stand with the board on any issue but injustice.

Lillie Lancaster stated she is still concerned about 206 North Brownsville Street; it needs to be cleaned up. Terry Brown stated that it was taken care of this week.

OLD BUSINESS

FIRE CHIEF UPDATE

Mayor Jackson stated that he has contacted the candidates that are being brought back for 2nd interview.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2021-R-6: PROPERTY CONSERVATION MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM

Alderman Burriss made a motion to accept Resolution 2021-R-6 for Property Conservation Matching Grant Program. Alderman Abbott seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

OBSERVANCE OF HALLOWEEN

Observance of Halloween will be October the 31st for the City of Trenton.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

(ATTACHED)

CHIEF BILL CUSSON

Chief Cusson stated that Officer Recruit Joseph Martinez is in field training on 3rd shift, and is still scheduled to return to the academy the 1st week of November to complete certification.

Emily Sanderson was hired by the Police Department to fill the open vacancy in dispatch.

JOE WAMBLE

Joe stated that TL&W will be moving downtown on November 1st. Their new location will be 110 S College Street, Ste 100. There will not be a drive-thru window or night deposit box for payments but you can pay by Bank Draft, online, by phone, by mail or autopay or setup payments.

ALDERMEN'S REPORT

Alderman Wade stated that he thinks we should give Terrence an explanation, we need to be fair. We were elected to help our peoples. He told Mayor Jackson that he needs to clean this up, if we cannot face Mr. Elam what kind of Board are we.

MAYOR'S REPORT

November 3rd Dyersburg State has been open for 30 years.

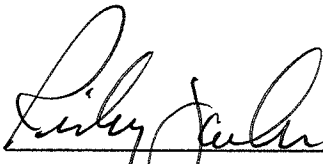
November 9th next council meeting

November 11th Veteran's Day Program

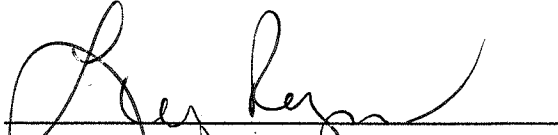
November 25th Thanksgiving Day, City Hall will be closed the 25th and 26th for this holiday.

Mayor Jackson stated that he may not have terminated Chief Elam in the right way and I will apologize for that.

Pastor Bailey stated that a person is innocent until proven guilty, injustice has taken place and I hope you have no peace until it is justified.



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Website :

Nothing to report at this time.

Cemetery:

The cemetery grounds are in great shape due to the leadership of the newly appointed Director of Public Works, Terry Brown. It is being mowed, trimmed, and debris removed expeditiously. Even though leaf pick up season is near, there will need to be some attention given to the cemetery for the upcoming events – Veterans Day program on November 11, 2021, and the Wreaths Across America ceremony on December 19, 2021. Mr. Brown and I have discussed this.

Respectfully submitted,

CeCe Jones

October 26, 2021

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT
OCTOBER, 2021**

THE STREET AND SANITATION DEPARTMENT IS STILL MAINTAINING THEIR REGULAR MONTHLY SCHEDULE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE NEW SUPERVISOR TERRY BROWN.

THE GROUNDS AROUND THE DEPARTMENT STILL LOOK VERY GOOD AND THE SHOP IS CLEAN AND ORDERLY.

WE HAVE FINALLY CAUGHT UP AT THE CEMETERY AND IT IS LOOKING VERY GOOD. THEY ALSO REPLACED A SPINDLE ON THE FINISHING MOWER.

THE LEAF MACHINE HAS BEEN SERVICED AND THE LEAF TRUCK WILL START RUNNING NEXT WEEK.

MAINTENANCE HAS BEEN PERFORMED ON STREET TRUCK #6 AND POLICE CAR #514.

LIMBS HAVE BEEN PICKED UP IN SEVERAL LOCATIONS INCLUDING 3RD STREET NEXT TO CITY HALL, ACROSS FROM THE METHODIST CHURCH ON COLLEGE STREET AND ALL AROUND THE CITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WINDS WE HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING LATELY.

SAPLINGS WERE CUT IN THE CURVE ON BROOKWOOD AND THE DITCH ON ALCOA WAS CLEANED OUT.

SUPERVISOR BROWN RAN THE WEED EATER AROUND TOWN ESPECIALLY THE NORTHSIDE OF HALLIBURTON STREET AND HAS REPLACED SEVERAL STREET SIGNS AND FADED STOP SIGNS.

LB CONTINUES TO MOW AROUND THE CITY AND TERRY, MIKE AND LB FIXED A STORM DRAIN ON LEXINGTON AND 4TH STREET.

WE ARE BURNING CLEAN BRUSH AGAIN.

Trenton Police Department Update Report

Police Department Commissioner: Alderman Billie Wade

Reporting Date: 10-26-2021

- Officer Recruit Joseph Martinez is in field Training on 3rd shift, and is still scheduled to return to the academy the 1st week of November to complete certification.
- New Hire: Emily Sanderson^{*} was hired by the Police Department to fill the open vacancy in dispatch. Emily started with the city on 10-23.
- Police Stats 09-28 thru 10-26:
 - Tickets issued-67
 - Arrests- 10
 - Calls for Service-294 *
 - Reports Written-54

Respectfully,

Chief B. Cusson

Ch,

October 27, 2021

Frank Gibson Report

City of Trenton Violation Letters

15 - Violation Letters

City of Trenton Building Permits – October 2021

1- Building Permit

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COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2021
6:00 P.M.
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 - 1. THDA Update
 - 2. Corrective Action Plan Update: Site Closure of old landfill
- H. NEW BUSINESS
 - 1. 1st Reading Ordinance No. 340: Amending the Official Zoning Map of Trenton, TN; To Rezone Herein Described Property Located on Hwy 45 Bypass and Described as:
Map: 116 Parcel 047.06
- I. REPORTS
 - None
- J. City Attorney's Report
- K. Alderman's Report
- L. Mayor's Report

**TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 9, 2021
6:00 PM
TRENTON CITY HALL**

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Jackson called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 pm to hear pros or cons to amend the official zoning map of Trenton, TN, to rezone the herein described property located on Hwy 45 and described as Map: 116 Par: 47.06. There were no pros or cons and the Public Hearing closed at 6:02 pm.

COUNCIL MEETING

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Alderman Abbott led the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance to follow.

Alderman Wade made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2021 council meeting. Alderman Burriss seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

RECORDER'S REPORT

Leigh Reynolds reported the expenditures for the month. Alderman Abbott made a motion to approve the expenditures with general fund being \$84,737.10 and sanitation \$12,630.87. Alderman Burriss seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

CITIZENS' INPUT

Lillie Lancaster residing 1016 Brookwood Street stated on 206 North Brownsville Street the lights are not working and it needs a culvert.

Tony Kirk stated that Hwy 54 and 457 the warning lights going west are not there, they are in a pile on the side of the road. People are running the red light at 60 miles an hour. He suggested putting rumble strips to slow people down.

John Jarrett residing at 521 East 3rd Street stated that there is a curve in front of his house and people are speeding. Someone ran over the children at play sign and he put it back up but something needs to be done maybe speed bumps to slow people down.

Sam Doaks stated that in the morning when children are walking to school or getting on the bus the police officers are doing target practice and he suggested moving it an hour later so children will feel safe because they do not know if this is real or not.

OLD BUSINESS

THDA UPDATE

Mayor Jackson stated that houses are down and hopefully they will be finished by the spring.

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN UPDATE: SITE CLOSURE OF OLD LANDFILL

Mayor Jackson stated that when we get permits and the go-ahead from TDEC the dirt work should start taking place to finish the site closure at the old landfill located at the Public Works Department.

Alderman Graves asked "what the cost will be for the dirt work?" Mayor Jackson stated that the cost will be \$150,000.00. Alderman Burriss asked "if there was anything toxic or harmful in the ground?" Mayor Jackson stated that there were no findings.

NEW BUSINESS

1ST READING ORDINANCE NO. 340: AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF TRENTON, TN; TO REZONE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED ON HWY 45 BYPASS AND DESCRIBED AS MAP: 116 PARCEL 047.06

Alderman Graves made a motion to pass 1st reading on Ordinance #340 to amend the official zoning map of Trenton, TN; to rezone herein described property located on Hwy 45 bypass and described as map: 116 parcel 047.06. Alderman Wade seconded the motion. Roll call, Aldermen Abbott yea, Burriss yea, Wade yea, Gibson yea, Graves yea and Alderwoman Jones yea.

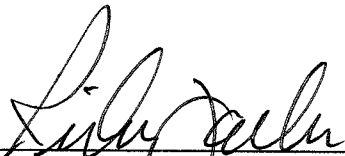
MAYOR'S REPORT

November 11, 2021 Veteran's Day: Program beginning at 10:30 am at the cemetery and at 11:00 am at the NG Armory.

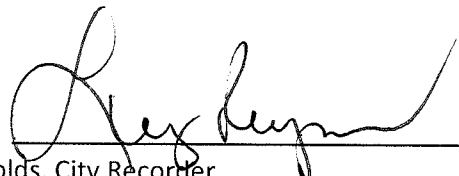
November 23, 2021 Utility board meeting at 8:30 in the Chamber office at 110 S College St. and next regular scheduled City Council meeting at 6:00 pm.

November 25th and 26th Thanksgiving Holiday

Alderman Graves made a motion to adjourn at 6:22 pm. Alderwoman Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.



Ricky Jackson, Mayor



Leigh Reynolds, City Recorder