City of Ashville Council Meeting March 20, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

Mayor Derrick Mostella called the Council meeting to order at 6:12 pm on Monday, March 20, 2023.

Mayor Derrick Mostella, Councilmembers Robin Bowlin, Sue Price, and Denise Williams were present. Councilmembers Edward Roscoe Lane and Shirley Smith were absent.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve the final meeting agenda. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve the final meeting agenda; Councilmember Sue Price seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 6, 2023, Council Meeting. Councilmember Sue Price made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 6, 2023, meeting; Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Glenda Tucker & Mackie Branham were present to discuss the November 4 Veterans Day Program.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve an agreement with Randy Thompson for interim Operator Services (6mo, \$6K per month plus a vehicle) and ratify any actions taken by the city officials / employees consistent there with. Councilmember Sue Price made a motion to approve an agreement with Randy Thompson for interim Operator Services (6mo, \$6K per month plus a vehicle) and ratify any actions taken by the city officials / employees consistent there with. Councilmember Sue Price made a motion to approve an agreement with Randy Thompson for interim Operator Services (6mo, \$6K per month plus a vehicle) and ratify any actions taken by the city officials / employees consistent there with. Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to add a full time position to the Fire Department and send applicant to the Fire College. This will allow for two full time employees to be on each shift. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to add a full-time position to the Fire Department and send applicant to the Fire College. Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to approve an increase to the starting pay for police officers to \$19 per hour and water department labor positions to \$15 per hour. Increase water department equipment operator/line repair position to \$17.50 per hour. Councilmember Robin Bowlin made a motion to approve an increase to the starting pay for police officers to \$19 per hour and water department labor positions to \$15 per hour. Increase water department equipment operator/line repair position to \$15 per hour. Increase water department equipment operator/line repair position to \$17.50 per hour. Councilmember super position to \$17.50 per hour. Councilmember super position to \$17.50 per hour.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to adopt Youth Sports Policies as required by Travelers Insurance. Councilmember Robin Bowlin made a motion to adopt Youth Sports Policies as required by Travelers Insurance. Councilmember Denise Williams seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to close Court Street East for a 5K Event on April 29, 2023 from 8am – 11am. Councilmember Robin Bowlin made a motion to close Court Street East for a 5K Event on April 29, 2023 from 8am – 11am. Councilmember Denise Williams seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to pay the bills due. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve the bills due. Councilmember Sue Price seconded the motion, all Councilmembers voted yes; motion approved.

Announcements:

- The next City Council meeting will be Monday, April 3, 2023. Work session begins at 5:30pm and the council meeting begins at 6pm.
- ZBA Meeting Monday, April 3, 2023 at 5pm
- Statement of Economic interest due by April 30, 2023

Mayor Derrick Mostella asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Robin Bowlin made a motion to adjourn; Councilmember Denise Williams seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes; motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

Derrick Mostella, Mayor

Chrystal St. John, City Clerk