

**TOWN OF ROSSVILLE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR OF BOARD AND ALDERMEN
380 Morrison Road
Rossville, TN 38066**

October 10, 2023

Visitors: Dave Hamric, Edgar Babian, Karen Pennington, Lorie Rice, Joseph Howell, Chase Carpenter, Carolyn Rhea, Betty Ann Mullis, Ann Aukerman, and Suzy Gray.

Board members attending were Judy Watters, Sherrie Rinehart, Bobby Williams, Mike Swessel, Zachary Moore, and Jeff Wooden. Sondra Webb was absent.

Mayor Watters called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Bobby Williams led the invocation and the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Watters asked if there were any citizen comments regarding agenda items only, none were suggested. Sherrie Rinehart made the motion to approve the agenda, a second from Bobby Williams and a unanimous vote.

Minutes from the September 12, 2023 regular meeting of the Mayor and Board were approved with a motion from Sherrie Rinehart, a second from Mike Swessel and a unanimous vote.

Lorie Rice presented the financials for the month of September. Financials for the month of September were approved with a motion from Sherrie Rinehart, a second from Jeff Wooden and a unanimous vote.

Chief Hamric reported that the Police Department responded to 60 calls, 154 citation charges, 90 warnings, zero crashes and 5 incident reports during the month of September. Chief Hamric informed the Mayor and Board that 10 cameras around City Hall and the Police/Fire building have been installed and he is going to receive some training on the equipment later in the week. He stated that during the Smokin' on the Wolf BBQ event there were no incidents reported, no traffic crashes, disturbances, alcohol charges or vehicle burglaries.

Chief Edgar Babian presented the Fire Department activity for the month of September. They responded to 9 fire calls, 1 service call and 16 medical calls with an average response time of 12:28 minutes for Rossville.

Joseph Howell reported the water loss for the month of October was 13.5%. Mr. Howell informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the Master Meter recently had a 2% adjustment but still qualify under State standards. Mr. Howell stated that they set 5 new construction meters and completed 32 work orders leaving only 60 to 70 AMR meters to be installed.

Under old business, Mayor Watters brought before the Board of Aldermen an update on the Urban Growth Plan. She stated that she had met with the coordinating committee and the map was approved but some discrepancies were discussed among other cities that the boundaries be brought back a bit. She stated that Mayor Skip Taylor handed out a resolution for the plan and there was an area of contention with the cities on how to annex certain properties. She stated that the Coordinating Committee will meet again to make the adjustment and suggested tabling the motion to approve the Urban Growth Boundaries with the County until this was resolved. Sherrie Rinehart made the motion to table the Urban Growth Plan, a second from Mike Swessel and a unanimous vote.

Mayor Watters updated the Board of Aldermen on what a success the Smokin' on the Wolf BBQ contest turned out to be. She stated that Rossville Christian Academy held a silent auction for the PTO which raised \$13,000 for the School, the Fire Department had a huge success with food sales, and overall, it turned out to be a community event where everyone came together to enjoy the festivities. She stated that Chairman of the BBQ committee Suzy Gray worked tirelessly for the event and would like to offer her a token of monetary appreciation. Zachary Moore made the motion to approve a check to Suzy Gray for \$2,000, a second from Jeff Wooden and a unanimous vote.

Under new business, Chase Carpenter with Fisher and Arnold presented the Mayor and Board of Aldermen the bid results for the Morrison/Knox street repair project. He stated that the Town received 3 bids with the low bid from Hollingsworth Paving for \$192,487.50. Mayor Watters stated that we have budgeted \$250,000 for this repair but are prepared to amend this line item if needed to cover any additional expenses. Mr. Carpenter stated we do not expect to run into any issues like with the Saunders Creek repaving and should be close to exact amount for the job. Jeff Wooden made the motion to approve the bid with Hollingsworth Paving for \$192,487.50, a second from Mike Swessel and a unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn was made; all in favor.

Karen Pennington, Town Recorder

Motion: _____
November 15, 2023

Second: _____
November 15, 2023

Approved: _____
Mayor