

TOWN OF ROSSVILLE
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE
MAYOR OF BOARD AND ALDERMEN AND BEER BOARD
380 Morrison Road
Rossville, TN 38066

May 14, 2024

Visitors: Edgar Babian, Dave Hamric, Karen Pennington, Tim Verner, Joseph Howell, Betty Mullis Leslie and Bubba McCrone.

The board members attending the meeting were Judy Watters, Mike Swessel, Matthew Fulcher, Jeff Wooden, Sherrie Rhinehart, and Bobby Williams. Sondra Webb was absent was called in virtually.

Mayor Watters called to order meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen at 6:30 p.m.

Bobby Williams gave the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Watters asked for citizen comments regarding agenda items only. None were suggested. Mike Swessel made the motion to approve the agenda, a second from Sherrie Rinehart and a unanimous vote.

Mayor Watters called the public hearing to address the pretreatment enforcement response plan revisions. Joseph Howell stated that even though Kellogg's is closing we are required to go back and look at the permit and change the limits. We ran a notice in the Fayette Falcon if any of the public would like to see it, with no questions from the public, the hearing was closed.

Minutes from the April 16, 2024 regular Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting were approved with a motion from Bobby Williams, a second from Mike Swessel and a unanimous vote.

Lorie Rice presented the Town's financial report for month of April, 2024. Matt Fulcher made the motion to approve the financials, a second from Sherrie Rinehart and a unanimous vote.

Chief Hamric reported there were 28 calls, 73 citation charges, 33 warnings, 1 crash, and 6 incident reports for the month of April for the Police Department.

Edgar Babian reported a total of 3 fire calls, 16 medical calls and 1 service call with a response time of 8:43 minutes for the Rossville Fire Department for the month of April. Chief Babian stated that they had a large volume of calls due to wind damage. He stated that he is still waiting to hear back from the county fire chief regarding the contract. We have sent them some dollar amounts on each piece of equipment we use on fire calls and was told not to worry about medical calls at all. He stated that Chief Hartfield with the county told him they will be responsible for all the medical calls after July 1st. Chief Babian stated that we asked for a \$12,000 increase in the contract and waiting to hear back from them and get a signed copy back to review.

Jospeh Howell reported the water loss for the month of April at 11.8%. He stated that they completed 18 work orders for the month of April.

Tim Verner provided the engineering update. He stated the PER has been approved by TDEC on the wells and the elevated tank and this will allow Shannon Cotter access to upload the documentation needed to

submit the plans for clearance for the environmental studies. Mr. Verner informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the new affluent pumps have been ordered.

There is no old business.

Under new business, Tim Verner stated that they have been working on the agreement for the dedication for the Adair property, which is 14.45 acres and will be the new site for the water tank. This property straddles the gravel side of Knox Road and is the highest point in the Town for the water tank. Mr. Verner stated that once everything has been approved and Tom Minor reviews the final documents, we will then accept Woodall Way as a public road. Mr. Verner made the recommendation that the town accept the dedication of Woodall Way once everything has been approved and reviewed and Jeff Wooden made the motion to allow the Mayor to execute the contract once are documentation is received, a second from Matthew Fulcher and unanimous vote.

Mayor Watters brought before the Board of Mayor first reading on Ordinance 2024-008, an Ordinance of the Town of Rossville, Tennessee amending the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget passed by Ordinance 2023-003. Sherrie Rinehart made the motion to approve Ordinance 2024-008 on first reading, a second from Mike Swessel and a unanimous vote.

Mayor Watters brought before the Board of Mayor first reading on Ordinance 2024-009, an Ordinance increasing the City Courts by amending Section 3-110 of the Municipal Code for the Town of Rossville. Mayor Watters stated that the five dollars increase to the court cost will help with the new court software. Matt Fulcher made the motion to accept Ordinance 2024-009 on first reading, a second from Bobby Williams and a unanimous vote.

Mayor Watters brought before the Board of Mayor first reading on Ordinance 2024-010, an Ordinance of the Town of Rossville, Tennessee adopting the annual budget and tax rate for the fiscal year beginning July, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025. Mayor Watters stated that the tax rate will remain at 1.119%. Jeff Wooden made the motion to approve the budget on first reading, a second from Bobby Williams and unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn 7:35 p.m., all in favor. Mayor and Board went into executive session.

Karen Pennington
Town Recorder

Approved: _____
Mayor