

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Mayor and Council
City of McKenzie
McKenzie, TN 38201
October 11, 2018

- A. Call to Order — Mayor Holland
- B. Prayer — Councilperson Townes
- C. Pledge of Allegiance — Councilperson Townes
- D. Roll Call
 - Mayor Holland - Present
 - Vice Mayor Hale - Present
 - Councilperson Allen - Present
 - Councilperson Callahan - Present
 - Councilperson Martin - Present
 - Councilperson Pruneau - Present
 - Councilperson Townes - Present
- E. Mayor's Welcome:

Mayor Holland called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Holland extended a warm welcome to all.
- F. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Councilperson Callahan, seconded by Councilperson Townes, to approve the regular meeting minutes dated September 6, 2018.
- G. Financial Matters

Motion was made by Vice-Mayor Hale, seconded by Councilperson Martin to pay the presented bills. Motion passes
- H. Old Business: None
- I. New Business
 - 1. Discussion/Approval to appoint Garrett Burns to the McKenzie Housing Authority Board.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: Motion was made by Councilperson Pruneau, second by Councilperson Callahan to approve the appointment.

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion passes.

2. Approve Resolution 18-008 to authorize the McKenzie IDB to negotiate in lieu-of-ad-valorem tax provisions in leases.

Discussion: Mayor Holland informed the council that in 2016 State Legislature passed a law stating there were no blanket approvals. That each lease would be done as a case by case study. Vice Mayor Hale asked Mayor Holland to explain how the in-lieu-of-tax works. She explained that after talking with C-Task that the IDB can accept lease payments to promote jobs without approval from the County.

Action Taken: A motion was made by Councilperson Pruneau, second by Councilperson Martin to approve Resolution 18-008.

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion passes.

3. Approve Resolution 18-009 to authorize the issuance of interest-bearing General Obligation Capital Outlay Notes, Series 2018.

Discussion: Mayor Holland explained that we needed a resolution for the paving projects discussed at the called meeting on October 2 to progress. There were no new questions from the council.

Action Taken: A motion was made by Councilperson Martin, second by Councilperson Callahan

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion passes.

4. Discussion/Approval to solicit bids for a dump truck for Public Works Department.

Discussion: Public Works Director John Mercer stated that he would like to get a F350 truck much like the one the Water Department purchased last year. His truck would not have to be 4-wheel drive or a tandem axle. This truck would be more conducive to getting in the alleyways etc. He would need to purchase a dump bed separately. He stated that he had money in the public works budget and could take some additional monies from Solid Waste as the truck would be serving a dual purpose. Councilperson Callahan inquired if the vehicle could be purchased used. PW Director Mercer stated that he was not purchasing a large dump truck, but something smaller in size like the F350. Vice Mayor Hale stated he would rather purchase new and not buy someone else's troubles. Councilperson Callahan stated he had made the statement while thinking the vehicle was a larger type dump truck and knew it could not be purchased for 30,000.00.

Action Taken: A motion was made by Vice Mayor Hale, second by Councilperson Callahan

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion passes.

5. Discussion/approval of water department maintenance & rehab fee.

Discussion: Water Superintendent Billy Wood explained that he was told at the last seminar that we could not use grants as revenue in our budget any longer, even though we have to

show our expenditures. So even though we have a \$ 588,000.00 project, we are not allowed to show the \$ 525,000.00 revenue. Water Board money is separate from City money. The Water Department must show at least a \$ 1.00 profit each year. If they are in the red 2 years in a row, the State can come in and raise the rates to their standards. The McKenzie water rates are some of the lowest rates around for water. Last year the Water Department was in a deficit, so this year we have to be in the black. If we put an additional \$ 3.00 maintenance and rehab fee on bill, it would be the least impact on our citizens than if increase our water rates, which in turn affects the sewer rate.

Action Taken: Motion was made by Vice Mayor Hale second by Councilperson Callahan to add the additional \$ 3.00 to the water bill effective on the November billing.

Roll call vote: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion passes.

J. Any Other Business: None

K. Citizens Input: None

L. Department Head Reports:

Public Works Director Johnny Mercer reported they have been busy with household & brush pick up. They are continuing with mowing right of ways. They have started servicing equipment for the coming fall leaf pick up season. Started checking out the Christmas decorations for upcoming events. Mayor Holland informed the audience they had also been busy making the world's largest mistletoe ball and candy cane for the winter "A Mistletoe Christmas" event.

Parks & Recreation Director Mike Beasley reported mowing was still an ongoing weekly job. Fall sport soccer and flag football was going strong. They had been doing some fence maintenance and had also been checking some of their decorations for upcoming events.

Codes Enforcer Philip Morrissett reported there continued to be letters going out for property maintenance. He said 98% did a great job, but the other 2% kept things busy.

Water Superintendent Billy Wood stated that the rehab project was still going on. He said they should be done in a couple of weeks with paving cuts beginning toward the end of the month.

Police Chief Craig Moates stated the Police Department had a total of 1178 calls for the month of September. 447 security checks – home / business / parks, 267 vehicles stops, 157 investigations 10-43, traffic control 50, citizen assist 25, alarm-burglar / panic / fire 21, assault – 1 and a wide variety of other service calls. Chief Moates stated the department had (1) position to fill at this time.

Fire had no one in attendance.

M. Council Reports: Mayor Holland stated the swearing in of the two new council members would be on Tuesday, November 13th @ 10 am at City Hall.

N. With no further business, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Hale, seconded by Councilperson Martin to adjourn at 6:33 p.m. Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Jill Holland, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jennifer Waldrup, City Recorder-City Clerk