

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Monday, April 20, 2020, 4:30 PM
Large Court Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Patrick W. Shull, Presiding
Vice-Mayor Colette George (via zoom call)
Alderman Jennifer Adler (via zoom call)
Alderman Betsy Cooper (via zoom call)
Alderman Darrell Duncan (via zoom call)
Alderman Tommy Olterman
Alderman James Phillips (via zoom call)

City Administration

Chris McCartt, City Manager
J Michael Billingsley, City Attorney
Sid Cox, City Recorder/Chief Financial Officer
Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder
Ryan McReynolds, Deputy City Manager (via zoom call)
Scott Boyd, Fire Chief (via zoom call)
David Quillin, Police Chief (via zoom call)
George DeCroes, Human Resources Director (via zoom call)
Ken Weems, Planning Manager (via zoom call)
Jason Hudson, Economic Development (via zoom call)
John Morris, Budget Officer (via zoom call)

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 4:30 p.m. by Mayor Patrick W. Shull.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By City Recorder Cox.
3. A determination by the board that meeting electronically and prohibiting the physical presence of the public at the meeting is necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare of all concerned in light of the COVID-19 virus.
Mayor Shull made this declaration and each alderman verbally affirmed.
4. **CITY HALL RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE.** Deputy City Manager Ryan McReynolds gave a presentation on this item and the progress that has been made.
5. **RECYCLING UPDATE.** Deputy City Manager McReynolds presented this item, noting the board had already voted to extend the current contract with WestRock but they have since sent a counter offer that staff recommends rejecting. Mr. McReynolds stated there is not a market for what is currently being recycled and even with the increased cost, the items will most likely end up in the landfill anyway. He pointed out the city will re-evaluate at a later date and for now citizens will see no change in service. He asks them to continue to put out their recycle bins, however they will be picked up by the same truck that picks up the garbage.

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6. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE APRIL 21, 2020 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager McCartt gave a summary for each item on the proposed agenda. The following items were discussed at greater length or received specific questions or concerns.

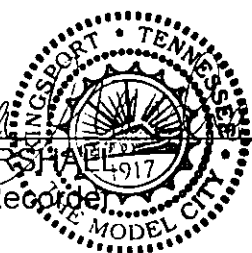
IV.B.1 Appointment to the Beverage Board (AF: 99-2020). Mayor Shull stated that Admiral McKinley will be filling this immediate vacancy due to the resignation of Mr. Wells. He noted that Charlie Nitschke and Keener Mallicote would be rolling off soon. He stated Natalie Wells has agreed to fill one of those spots on the recommendation of Alderman Duncan, who gave further details.

VI.B.1 Materials Agreement with The Edinburgh Group, LLC Related to the Gibson Springs Phase 2 Development and Appropriate the Funds (AF: 90-2020). The city manager confirmed for Vice-Mayor George this project has changed names, stating it used to be Edinburgh South.

Alderman Phillips stated we are not out of the clear yet and encouraged everyone to continue following the rules. Alderman Duncan stated he has eaten out more in the last few weeks to support local businesses. Alderman Adler commented on a member of the Neighborhood Commission who recently passed away. Alderman Cooper stated she was anxious to see how the area is affected when Tennessee opens back up. Alderman Olterman stated he just participated in his first birthday parade for a neighbor who just turned 100. Vice-Mayor George commented on the Sullivan County Regional Health Department, noting they are one of the six counties who do not fall under the Governor's recent order. Mayor Shull provided further details on the Governor's letter, noting Dr. May has the authority to declare a health emergency in this region.

7. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Shull adjourned the meeting at 5:27 p.m.


ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder




PATRICK W. SHULL
Mayor