

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Tuesday July 1, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. in the G. Thomas Love Boardroom at the Greeneville Energy Building with Mayor C. Calvin Doty presiding.

Present were Council Members Ginny Kidwell, Matt Hensley, Tim Teague, Tim Ward, and Todd Smith, City Manager.

At this time, Mayor Doty's comments are as follows: 1) Two employees from the Greeneville Police Department are retiring: Eric Scott and Tim Davis. Patsy Fuller, Human Resources Director, presented both employees with retirement recognition plaques; 2) Erin Evans, Director of the Greeneville-Greene County Public Library provided an update on their summer reading program; and Scott Keith, Assistant Public Works Director, provided an update on the brush pick-up stating that there are currently two trucks running every day to collect residential brush. He also stated there has been a major increase in residential brush from June 2024 to June 2025.

At this time, Todd Smith, City Manager, addressed the Council regarding the fifty acres on Hal Henard Road at the site of the previous Greene Technology Center. Mr. Smith noted the County Commission has presented an offer to the Town of Greeneville to exchange the firing range for the sports complex on that property. The offer also includes a \$75,000 appropriation for the property exchange contingent upon the Town of Greeneville and the City Schools contributing \$75,000 each for a total of \$225,000. At this time, the fifty acres is jointly owned one-third by the Town of Greeneville and two-thirds by the Greene County Schools. Mr. Smith also noted that the Town's contribution to the property transaction is not budgeted and will require a budget amendment. City Council unanimously consented to allow Mr. Smith to negotiate an agreement with County officials and return to Council with a formal agreement at a later date.

At this time, Council Member Matt Hensley thanked everyone for their outpouring of support for the recent family loss.

No one registered for public comment regarding an item on today's agenda.

Motion by Council Member Ward, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

At this time, Todd Smith, City Manager, requested feedback on the 2025 strategic planning process. Conceptually, a new strategic planning process is recommended beginning with a citizen survey about city services, followed by a public input meeting, and ending City Council and Town staff reviewing this feedback, while applying the information to the strategies for where we want to be as a Town in the next ten years. Council Member Matt Hensley recommended we review some of the feedback we have already received, such as the Livability Committee report. Mr. Smith also acknowledged the Parks and Recreation ten-year master plan that has been recently developed to be used to guide the strategic planning discussion.

At this time, Todd Smith, City Manager, led the discussion on policy development for hotel/motel tax funding. Mr. Smith shared a memo with City Council recommending several things including, but not limited to, developing a policy and focusing on the distribution of capital

items. Feedback provided by Council as follows: 1) Council Member Teague recommended a combination of funding for operations and capital items, 2) Council Member Hensley also recommended a combination of funding for operations and capital items, as well as including the development of a policy in the strategic planning process; 3) Council Member Kidwell suggested having the hotel/motel tax allocations decided by the next regularly scheduled Council meeting; and 4) Mayor Doty also agreed to move forward allocating funds to those entities that have applied for funding this year. Mr. Doty also recommended the hotel/motel tax policy should be included in the strategic planning process this fall.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve a Resolution authorizing the Town to participate in the PEP Safety Partner’s Grant Program. Alan Shipley, Fire Chief, addressed the Council stating the grant funds will be used to purchase rescue equipment. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Kidwell, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve the annual renewal of the records management software – Carahsoft Technology Corp for the Greeneville Fire Department in the amount of \$14,984.38. Alan Shipley, Fire Chief, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Kidwell, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve the annual renewal of the Town’s fleet management software – Fleetio. Kevin Gass, Captain in the Greeneville Police Department, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hensley, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve a three-year contract between Urban SDK and the Greeneville Police Department for traffic monitoring software in the amount of \$19,035. Steve Spano, Police Chief, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hensley, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve a Special Event sign request for “Lyrics on the Lawn” to be held on Thursday evenings in July. Bert Seay, Building Department Director, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Ward, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Calvin Doty, Mayor

Attest:

Lora A. Young, Recorder

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