

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, 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 Matt Hensley, Ginny Kidwell, Tim Teague, Tim Ward, and Interim City Manager Cathy Osborne.

At this time, Mayor Doty requested calendar year 2025 accomplishments from Town Departments as follows: 1) Brandy Fann was introduced as the new Wellness Coordinator for the Town, noting she has seventeen (17) years of experience as a registered nurse and is a Greeneville/Greene County native; 2) Patsy Fuller, Human Resources Director, stated open enrollment for full-time employees went well; worker's comp audit went well, especially with the upgrades to the payroll system; currently, the Town has one hundred ninety four (194) full-time employees and sixty-two (62) regular part-time employees; HR has assisted the Airport Authority with their transition to independence; 3) Nicole Rader, Roby Adult Center Director, stated the Roby has started processing health insurance for its members, which will generate revenue for the center, as well as allow incentives for members through their health insurance company; two hundred ninety three (293) new members were added in calendar year 2025; thirty-three (33) new programs were added in calendar year 2025; sixty four (64) volunteers in 2025, which equated to three thousand five hundred forty-nine (3,549) hours; 4) Lora Young, Finance Director, stated the department upgraded several accounting software modules, including payroll, property tax, receipt processing, and commercial garbage billing/collections; on-line payment available for citizens to pay for property taxes, various fines and fees, and purchase a residential garbage can; remote town departments, including the library, landfill, and parks and recreation, now have streamlined credit card processing options, which allows for better service delivery to citizens; 5) Steve Spano, Police Chief, stated the department received twenty three thousand nine hundred eighty (23,980) calls in calendar year 2025 with forty one thousand two hundred seventy-seven (41,277) individual units answering these calls; the department responded to approximately thirty-five percent (35%) of all 9-11 calls within the county; currently, the department staffs fifty-four (54) police officers on seven-person shifts; 6) Butch Patterson, Parks and Recreation Director, stated the department had completed the construction of the pickle ball courts downtown; State of Tennessee awarded a \$100,000 grant for improvements at Hardin Park; successful volleyball and basketball tournaments, bringing lots of visitors to Greeneville; department won the Tennessee Municipal League award for "Excellence in Parks and Recreation"; 7) Bert Seay, Building Department Director, stated that two new inspectors were added to fill vacancies in the department and are currently receiving certifications necessary to improve service to citizens; activities of the Building and Planning were separated into two different departments; completed one thousand seventy-nine (1,739) inspections, seven hundred sixty-four (764) permits, and a total of ninety-five (95) certificates of occupancy, with ten (10) for new commercial structures and eighty-five (85) for new residential single-family structures; 8) Andy Broyles, Development Services Director, stated the new division is working diligently on establishing planning and development processes; developing project management initiatives focusing on capital projects and evaluating goals and

needs of the Town; completed a successful resurfacing project in four weeks after years of delay by Tennessee Department of Transportation; 9) Alan Shipley, Fire Chief, stated the department staff engaged in thirteen thousand (13,000) training hours in calendar year 2025; saved over \$40,000 by handling EMT and AMT classes in-house; hosted spring training classes, saving \$3,000 per firefighter; having mechanic on staff for all maintenance and repairs on fire apparatus has saved the department approximately \$25,000; 10) Christina Potts, Marketing and Media Specialist, stated the special event committee is currently evaluating the special event process to make event planning more efficient; twenty-two (22) street closures without alcohol and four (4) with alcohol were held in calendar year 2025; most of the events have now moved to Depot Street, including America Downtown with attendance estimated at seven thousand (7,000) and Midnight on Main, with attendance estimated at two thousand three hundred (2,300); continually working on communication improvement to our citizens for street closures and road construction/detours; and 11) Erin Evans, Library Director, stated that the T. Elmer Cox Library celebrated its twenty-fifth (25th) anniversary and the Public Library celebrated its fiftieth (50th) anniversary at the current location on Main Street; one hundred twenty-eight thousand (128,000) digital and physical items were circulated in calendar year 2025; four thousand forty-four individual users of computers at the library; issued one thousand three hundred fifty-five (1,355) new library cards; three hundred children registered for the summer reading program; procured \$27,000 in grant funds; staffing level of three full-time employees and six part-time employees.

No one requested public comment on this agenda.

Motion by Council Member Ward, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting held on Tuesday, January 6, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve an Ordinance on first reading to amend the fiscal year 2026 budget. Lora Young, Finance Director, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

At this time, Council Member Hensley and Carl Close, member of the Roby Auditorium Committee, addressed the Council requesting approval to move forward with formal planning and partnership development for the revitalization of the Roby Auditorium, including transitioning the current committee to a steering committee and developing concepts for multi-purpose funding. Mr. Close stated the next steps would include evaluation and pricing for the sprinkler system, followed by adding back electrical systems to the theater. Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve. After discussion was held regarding the town's procurement policy and process, Council Member Teague withdrew the motion and requested the item be deferred for consideration until the next council meeting to be held on February 3, 2026.

At this time, Paul McAfee, board chair for the Greeneville Municipal Airport Authority, provided an update on the current progress at the airport stating the following: 1) Moving forward as an independent facility, establishing a federal identification for the airport; 2) Acquired a new payroll provider effective January 1st and currently have a request for proposal bid request for accounting/bookkeeping services; 3) Grant funding procured for the construction of a new hangar; 4) Additional funding available in the amount of \$140,000, with \$130,000 of these funds planned

to prepare the pad next to the current hangar construction and \$10,000 allocated to finish painting the new hangar upon completion; and 5) all board members of the Airport Authority are volunteers.

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

Attest:

C. Calvin Doty, Mayor

Lora A. Young, Recorder

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