

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Tuesday June 3, 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 Matt Hensley, Ginny Kidwell, Tim Teague, Tim Ward, and Todd Smith, City Manager.

At this time, Mayor Doty's comments are as follows: 1) Thank you for the kind words, prayers, and thoughts for me and my family over the last two weeks; 2) The Iris Festival was a success with lots of folks in our downtown area; and 3) Welcome Greene County Partnership Adult Leadership participants.

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

Motion by Council Member Hensley, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

At this time, Council Member Hensley invited everyone to attend the newest production by the Greeneville Theatre Guild "The Drowsy Chaperone" to be held at the Capitol Theatre in downtown Greeneville with the following performance dates and times: June 20, 21, 27, and 28 at 7:00 p.m. and June 22, 29 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve an Ordinance on first reading to adopt the annual budget and tax rate for the fiscal year 2026, beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 with the following adjustment: the total appropriations for Hotel/Motel Tax are to be funded at the same total as the fiscal year 2025 budget, with the exception of the Dickson-Williams Mansion and Greene Fling for Parks and Rec. Lora Young, Finance Director, addressed the Council. Mrs. Young shared the 2021 state law pertaining to municipal hotel/motel tax and explained the restrictions on distribution of those funds. The City Council provided consent to budget a total for the hotel/motel tax appropriations. However, a decision will be made at a later date on specific distribution recipients and amounts after clarification from the Comptroller's office. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Kidwell, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve a bid for issuing \$1,000,000 in a capital outlay note to purchase the Greene Technology Center. Lora Young, Finance Director, addressed the Council. The process for issuing a capital outlay note is obtaining an informal bid through the Town's financial advisor, Stephens, Inc. A single bid was submitted for this capital outlay note issuance by Andrew Johnson Bank with an interest rate of 4.95%. Motion passed as follows: Council Members Ginny Kidwell, Matt Hensley, and Tim Ward voted yes. Council Member Teague was absent for this item.

Motion by Council Member Kidwell, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve an Ordinance on first reading to amend the fiscal year 2025 budget. Lora Young, Finance Director, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve the bid for construction at Eagle's Rest Pocket Park on South Main Street and to cap the project cost at the budgeted amount of \$175,000. Todd Smith, City Manager, and Dave Wright, Architect, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Kidwell, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve the bid for Town Hall and Police Department cleaning services. Todd Smith, addressed the Council,

stating the recommendation was to award the bid to Professional Cleaning Services. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve a bid for the Police Department towing services. Steve Spano, Police Chief, addressed the Council stating the current service provider is no longer eligible to meet the needs of the department. A single bid was received from Malone's Wrecker Service. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Ward, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve the purchase of seven additional body cameras for the Greeneville Police Department. Steve Spano, Police Chief, addressed the Council, stating these additional cameras will be added to the current contract for the body camera system with Motorola and paid over time for the next few years. The funding source for this purchase is the litigation reserve. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Ward, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve a Resolution for the Town of Greeneville to apply, accept, administer, and amend the Governor's Response and Recovery Fund Grant in the amount of \$350,000 with no local match. Todd Smith, City Manager, addressed the Council. This grant is related to Hurricane Helene and will provide a mapping and assessment of the Town's current stormwater system. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve a Resolution for the Town of Greeneville to apply, accept, administer, and amend the Tennessee Department of Disability and Aging Provider Innovation Grant in the amount of \$20,000 with no local match. Nicole Rader, Roby Adult Center Director, addressed the Council. This grant will be used to purchase technology items for the Roby Adult Center. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve the reappointment of Mr. Justin Jeffers to the Greeneville Energy Authority Board of Directors for a five-year term. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Ward, seconded Council Member Kidwell to approve the reappointment of Dr. Mia Hyde to the Greeneville/Greene County Library Board of Trustees for a three-year term. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve the reappointment of Mr. Doug DeBusk to the Greeneville Parking Authority Board for a two-year term. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Ward, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve the reappointment of Mr. Joe Gonzalez to the Civil Service Board for a three-year term. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve a special event sign request for the "Gift for Kids" fundraiser held on July 11, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in the Town Square Shopping Center. Bert Seay, Building Department Director, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

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

C. Calvin Doty, Mayor

Attest:

Lora A. Young, Recorder

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