

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Tuesday April 15, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. in the G. Thomas Love Boardroom at the Greeneville Energy Authority 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) The Wings and Wheels event at the Greeneville Municipal Airport was held Saturday, April 12, 2025. Great turnout for the event. Jeff Taylor, President and CEO of Greene County Partnership, addressed the Council; 2) Town of Greeneville offices will be closed on Friday, April 18, 2025 in observance of Good Friday; 3) the NAIA Volleyball Tournament will begin next week at the Beach Volleyball Complex; 4) John Craft, Assistant Fire Chief, was recognized for his retirement after thirty-seven (37) years with the Town of Greeneville Fire Department. Patsy Fuller, Human Resources Director, presented Mr. Craft with a plaque in honor of his service to the Town. A retirement reception will follow the meeting today; and 5) a Joint Proclamation between Greene County and the Town of Greeneville was presented to acknowledge Thursday, May 1, 2025, as the National Day of Prayer.

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, April 1, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve an Ordinance on second reading to amend the fiscal year budget, including changes for final reading. Changes include the addition of mutual aid payments for assistance during the natural disaster in the fall of 2024 and the purchase of an asphalt roller for the public works department. Lora Young, Finance Director, addressed the Council. A public hearing was held with no one speaking for or against the Ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

At this time, Ms. Arleace Green of the Small Business Administration provided an update on the disaster recovery efforts from Hurricane Helene in the fall of 2024. Ms. Green noted that the loans for business losses or damages are low-interest loans, for which the deadline to apply is summer of 2025.

At this time, Lora Young, Finance Director, presented the monthly financial report for March 2025. Mrs. Young indicated the excess revenues over expenses for March are due to the collection of property taxes. Mrs. Young also noted that local option sales tax and state sales tax will likely meet or exceed budget estimates for fiscal year 2025.

Motion by Council Member Kidwell, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve the purchase of a replication server for the Town of Greeneville in the amount of \$21,973.90. Matt Hughes, Network Administrator, addressed the Council. Mr. Hughes noted this would bring the technology redundancy to an industry standard. This is a budgeted item and is purchased via a state contracted vendor. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve and accept the terms of the HEAL Loan agreement for the Greeneville Water Commission. Laura White, Superintendent of the Greeneville Water Commission, addressed the Council. The total loan is in the amount of \$14.4 million and is structured for ten years as a no-interest loan. Greene County receive the loan proceeds in the fall of 2024 and structured the loan proceeds to the Water Commission on a reimbursement basis. Currently, Mrs. White stated the Water Commission currently has approximately \$4 million incurred expenses to submit for reimbursement immediately. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Teague to authorize Todd Smith, City Manager, to negotiate the memorandum of understanding with the Greene County School System for the division and transfer of assets at the Greene Center for Technology and the McNeese Building, and the acceptance of a warranty deed. Todd Smith, City Manager, addressed the Council, noting that he would bring the memorandum of understanding back to the Council for final approval. Motion passed unanimously.

At this time, Todd Smith, City Manager, provided an update on the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) project for Greeneville. Mr. Smith stated he and other staff participated in a follow-up meeting with the regional Tennessee Department of Transportation employees about the status of the project. Mr. Smith and staff recommend removing the portion of the project related to Snapps Ferry Road and use small cities funds that are available at a later date in order to have this project move forward. City Council agreed with the recommendation.

Motion by Council Member Hensley, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve a maintenance contract between the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and the Town of Greeneville for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027 in an amount not to exceed \$272,510.70 for routine maintenance of state routes within the Town of Greeneville corporate limits. Jonathan Williams, Public Works Supervisor, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Hensley, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to approve the purchase of an asphalt roller/compactor for the Greeneville Public Works Department in the amount of \$77,724. Jonathan Williams, Public Works Supervisor, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by council Member, seconded by Council Member Ward to approve the purchase of ballistic shields for the Greeneville Police Department in the amount of \$19,619.94. Steve Spano, Police Chief, addressed the Council. This is a purchase of three (3) shields. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Ward to defer a decision on a reappointment to the Greeneville/Greene County Solid Waste Planning Board, as well as other reappointments to boards affiliated with the Town of Greeneville. Council Member Ward requested expressed the need to open all seats on all boards for transparency and give others an opportunity to express an interest in serving the citizens of the Town. Todd Smith, City Manager, also addressed the Council stating the practice has been to reappoint board members if there is not a vacancy to fill. Mr. Smith also

recommended the possibility of changing the process at the direction of the City Council to consider reappointments by providing an opportunity for any resident of Greeneville to apply. Motion failed for a lack of second to the original motion.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve the reappointment of Mr. Jeff Taylor to the Greeneville/Greene County Solid Waste Planning Board for a six-year term. Motion passed as follows: Council Member Kidwell, Council Member Hensley, and Council Member Teague voted aye. Council Member Ward voted nay.

Motion by Council Member Teague, seconded by Council Member Kidwell to reappointment Mr. Wes Hope to the Greeneville Municipal Airport Authority for a five-year term. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Kidwell, seconded by Council Member Hensley to approve a Special Event Sign request for the Eastside Baptist Church Car Show to be held on June 7, 2025, in the church parking lot. Justin Schooley, Town Planner, addressed the Council. Motion passed unanimously.

At this time, Mayor Doty and Cathy Osborne, Assistant City Manager, presented each of the Greeneville Youth Commission a certificate of completion for the 2024-2025 year. A reception for candidates and families is to follow the conclusion of the meeting.

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

C. Calvin Doty, Mayor

Attest:

Lora A. Young, Recorder

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