

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN  
CITY OF NEWPORT, TENNESSEE  
REGULAR SESSION  
NOVEMBER 13, 2018**

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Connie Ball opened the public hearing for discussion of 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #2018-16 Amending Title 11 Municipal Offenses Chapter 3 Offenses Against the Peace and Quite Adding Section 304 Fireworks Regulations. There was no one to comment.

Mayor Ball closed the Public Hearing.

**November 13, 2018**

The City of Newport Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in the Newport City Hall Council Chambers on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session.

Rev. Alvin Watts led the invocation. City Attorney Terry Hurst led the Pledge to the Flag.

The following officials were present: Mayor Connie Ball, Vice Mayor Mike Proffitt, Alderman Bobby Knight, Alderman Steve Smith, City Attorney Terry Hurst, and City Administrator James Finchum.

The following officials were not present: Alderman Jeff Fancher and Alderman Mike Hansel.

Mayor Ball declared a Quorum.

Mayor Ball reported Alderman Mike Hansel was at the Leadership graduation. Mayor Ball gave a farewell speech. This was his last meeting before retirement.

**Minutes**

**October 9 Regular Session**

**Motion by Alderman Smith and second by Alderman Knight** for minutes of the October 9, 2018 Regular Session to be approved as submitted.

**All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.**

## **Communications from the City Administrator**

City Administrator James reported the work on the new traffic lights on Broadway. These are the last new traffic lights to be installed by the State. This will take 4-6 weeks depending on the weather.

## **Appointment of Boards, Commission & Committees**

Consideration of re-appointment to the Newport Housing Authority Board – Richard Harwood term.

**Motion was made by Vice Mayor Proffitt and second by Alderman Knight** to re-appoint Richard Harwood to the Newport Housing Authority Board.

**All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.**

Consideration of Appointment to the Newport Utilities Board for the Remainder Term of Roland Dykes, III. City Attorney Terry Hurst stated this was premature. Mr. Dykes is still on the board. This item will be on the December agenda.

## **Old Business**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #2018-16 Amending Title 11 Municipal Offenses Chapter 3 Offenses Against the Peace and Quite Adding Section 304 Fireworks Regulations**

Consideration of 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #2018-16 Amending Title 11 Municipal Offenses Chapter 3 Offenses Against the Peace and Quite Adding Section 304 Fireworks Regulations.

**Motion was made by Alderman Knight and second by Vice Mayor Proffitt** to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance #2018-16 Amending Title 11 Municipal Offenses Chapter 3 Offenses Against the Peace and Quite Adding Section 304 Fireworks Regulations.

**All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.**

## **New Business**

### **Applying for a Historical Marker for the Tanner Building**

Consideration of Applying for a Historical Marker for the Tanner Building. Tourism Director Linda Lewanski reported to the Board that the first step on applying for a historical marker was to ask the owners, City of Newport, for permission to apply for the Tanner Building. Ms. Lewanski stated this will be a long process that may take several months.

**Motion was made by Vice Mayor Proffitt and second by Alderman Smith** to approve applying for a historical marker for the Tanner Building.

**All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.**

**Potential Alternative Funding for the Smartgrid and other Related Electric Improvements for Newport Utilities**

Consideration of Potential Alternative Funding for the Smartgrid and other Related Electric Improvements - Newport Utilities. Newport Utilities Director Glen Ray stated he wanted to look at alternating funding for the remainder work for the broadband to save money and time.

**Motion was made by Vice Mayor Proffitt and second by Alderman Knight** to approve potential alternative funding for the Smartgrid and other related electric improvements for Newport Utilities.

**All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor & Alderman, **a motion was made by Vice Mayor Proffitt and second by Alderman Smith** to adjourn.

**All Ayes- Mayor Ball declared the motion passed and approved.**

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Mayor Roland Dykes, III

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James Finchum, City Administrator

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