

# City Meeting February 9<sup>th</sup> 2023

The Adams Board of Commissioners met in regular session, at 7:00 p.m. in the Bell School Auditorium. Mayor Evans, Vice Mayor Hall, and Commissioner Baird were present.

# **Item 1: Open with A Prayer**

The meeting was called to order and Donovan Tucker lead in prayer. Mayor Evans requested all in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Item 2: Minutes**

Minutes of the January meeting were presented. Evans asked if there were any additions or corrections. With the no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved. Hall made a motion to approve minutes. Baird seconded it. All in favor, none opposed.

#### **Item 3: Financials**

The financials were presented for January. Hall made a motion to approve the financials. Baird seconded the motion and the financials were approved. All in favor, none opposed.

#### Item 4: Bid 2023-011

Bids were open and read aloud for the following:

- 1. ACW \$1.250
- 2. Richard Johnson \$475
- 3. Wyatt Lawn Landscape \$540
- 4. Clinard Lawn Care \$750
- 5. Tracen Baggett \$800
- 6. Tristar Turf Excavation \$760

Hall did not want to go with the lowest bid this year. The board wanted to keep the service local. Evans made a motion to hire Wyatt Lawn Landscape for \$450 per mowing. Hall seconded the motion. A rollcall was made; Baird "Aye", Hall "Aye", and Evans "Aye". Passed 3-0.

### **Item 5: Klober Engineering – ARP Funds**

The city received the second set of plans from Klober Engineering for the three potential areas for culvert infrastructure. Klye Schneider was present to speak on behalf of Klober Engineering. Kyle's main concern with the three areas is the four-way at Maple and North Commerce Street. He advised ditching on both sides of each road. The area on South Adams Street will need to maintenance, ditched, and a bigger culvert placed. South Commerce Street and Highway 41 North will need maintenance and a bigger culvert but will not completely fix water collecting in area because it sits in a bowl and it has no where to go. The next step would start the bidding process. Hall made a motion to hire Klober engineering to create three separate projects and as whole project. They will also handle the bidding process. Baird seconded the motion. A rollcall was made; Baird "Aye", Hall "Aye", and Evans "Aye". Passed 3-0.



# **Item 6: American Rescue Plan Funds Update**

City Manager gave an update on the amount of funds available for "Stormwater Drainage Culvert Project" that will be paid by ARP funds. As of February 9<sup>th</sup> 2023, the city has \$186,270.33 available for the project.

# Item 7: Resolution 2023-040 – Add Commissioner Baird to F&M Checking Accounts

Hall made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-040. Evans seconded the motion. A rollcall was made; Baird "Aye", Hall "Aye", and Evans "Aye". Passed 3-0.

# Item 8: First Reading of Ordinance 2023-038 – Amending Budget FY 2023

Baird made a motion to approve first reading of Ordinance 2023-038. Hall seconded the motion. A rollcall was made; Baird "Aye", Hall "Aye", and Evans "Aye". Passed 3-0.

# Item 9: Ordinance 2023-039 - Establishing Planning & Zoning Commission

The City of Adams has to establish a planning and zoning commission, along with a Zoning Appeals Board, which the ordinance will designate the planning commission members as the members of the board of zoning appeals. Hall made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2023-039. Baird seconded the motion. A rollcall was made; Baird "Aye", Hall "Aye", and Evans "Aye". Passed 3-0.

The mayor and one other council member have to sit on the planning commission. Hall step up and will sit on the board for planning commission. A special called meeting will take place on February 17th, 2023 at 7:00 pm in Adams City Hall for the following; 1) discuss and potentially adopt on second reading, Ordinance 2023-039, which establishes the City of Adams Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals and designates the planning commission members as the members of the board of zoning appeals; (2) discuss and potentially vote on the appointment of a member of the board of commissioners to the planning commission; and (3) hear a report from the mayor on appointments to the planning commission. The public is invited to attend.

# **Item 10: Hiring GNRC**

Robertson County informed the city by letter date on Monday January 23rd that they were no longer going to be handling the city's planning and zoning issues because there is no "inter-local agreement" between Robertson County and the City of Adams. They will inspect and proceed with any building permits already issued, but none going forward. City Manager met with GNRC, MTAS, and the city attorney via zoom meeting to discuss City of Adams' route for planning and zoning issue. GRNC quoted the city \$7,530.40 for fiscal year 2022-2023 for several services they will provide which include modifying the current city's zoning ordinance to fit for a municipality, provide on-call planning, coordinate with community leadership to identity local planning priorities, attend two regular monthly meetings, review and prepare written comments for site plans, arrange training for planning commission, connect the community with grant opportunities, and provide updates on changes to statutes that impact local land use regulation.



City Manager met with Safebuilt, a private entity, that can also provide these services (other than connecting the community with grant opportunities). They are based out of California and a majority of the work would be done remotely and they would have to learn Tennessee codes and regulations. The City Manager has made the decision to go with GNRC for the remainder of FY2023 to help with Planning & Zoning because GNRC already has the cities and county's zoning ordinance, has knowledge of TCA codes and regulations for Tennessee, Adams is currently a member, and they will help with grant opportunities. Hall made a motion for City Manager to spend the \$7,530.40 in order to hire GNRC for the remainder of 2023. Baird seconded the motion. A rollcall was made; Baird "Aye", Hall "Aye", and Evans "Aye". Passed 3-0.

# Item 10: Room for Rent - Suite 105

Gingham Roots left suite 105 in December. City Manager called the Chelsie Glass and Eric Burks, Nutrition Fix business, about it being available and they were no longer interested. We have had several people ask about the room and what the rent would be. The board agreed to keep the room for additional space for City Hall due to having to keep records of all planning and zoning issues. This will also allow the city to hold regular monthly meetings downstairs for any handicap residents that would like to attend. All in favor, none opposed.

### **Item 11: Annual Firework Show**

Interested individuals did not get connected with Joey, Impact Pyro, about getting certified to shoot fireworks. Impact Pyro gave an estimate of 7,000 for year 2022. The city's purchasing policy only allows spending funds under \$5,000, without bidding stipulations. City Manager placed Bid 2023-012 and special called meeting in the Robertson County Connection on February 7th. Special meeting is called for Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 in Adams City Hall to open any bids received for the annual firework show and award a successful bidder.

### **Item 12: Events and Dates**

Robertson County Antique Tractor Pullers, Jared Bobel, requested the following dates for 2023; April 8<sup>th</sup>, May 20<sup>th</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup>, August 12<sup>th</sup>, September 16<sup>th</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup>, and October 27<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Baird mentioned that the two October dates and the September date will not be allowed due to the CSI plays that will be showing during this time. City Manager will inform Jared Bobel about the conflict of interest on dates. The board agreed all other dates were fine.

President of the Threshermen Association, Charlie Bumpus, reached out to the City Manager for dates on Threshermen Show. The following dates are; Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup> will be the week they start setting up for show, Thursday July 20<sup>th</sup> will be first day of show, Friday July 21<sup>st</sup> will be second day of show, Saturday July 22<sup>nd</sup> will be third day of show, and July 23<sup>rd</sup> through July 26<sup>th</sup> will be for clean up days. The board agreed these dates were fine.



**Fire Department** – Donovan Tucker was present. No update on department.

**Rec Club** – Scott Bradley informed the council that the parents meeting took place on Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup>. The parents were informed they will be responsible for running the concession stands for ball season 2023. Some parents were concerned with the wood bleachers that sit behind the baseball field. The wood is starting to dry rot and individuals were getting splinters. Scott Bradley asked if this is something that could be replaced. Vice Mayor Hall asked if Scott Bradley was interested in fixing it because he owns his own constructing company. Scott agreed to replace the wood on the bleachers and send the city a bill for the materials.

Chad Curtis, baseball commissioner, mentioned there is a whole in the net for the batting cage. Mr. Curtis offered to help put a new net up because he had a net that could be used for the cage. Jay Hall gave permission to Mr. Curtis and Mr. Bradley to replace the net on the batting cage. Vice Mayor Hall advised City Manager to research improvements for a new batting cage which would include a new net and new back drop. Scott Bradley mentioned there were some issues with the 10U softball pitching mound. The league does not have a 10U team for the 2023 season but Vice Mayor Hall advised researching for a new mound.

Scott informed the board that the fields need some field dirt. The main field needing it is the baseball field but also behind second base on the softball field. Jay Hall stepped up and said he would contact Mark Davis to place the City of Adams on the list for field dirt.

### **Other Business:**

Commissioner Baird gave CSI play dates for 2023. The set up for Smoke will start September 20<sup>th</sup>. Smoke plays will run September 28<sup>th</sup>, September 29<sup>th</sup>, September 20<sup>th</sup>, October 5<sup>th</sup>, October 6<sup>th</sup>, and October 7<sup>th</sup>. The set up for Spirit will start October 8<sup>th</sup>. The Spirit plays will run on October 19<sup>th</sup>, October 20<sup>th</sup>, October 21<sup>st</sup>, October 26<sup>th</sup>, October 27<sup>th</sup>, and October 28<sup>th</sup>.

City of Adams Fall festival will be October 27<sup>th</sup> and October 28<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the plays this year. There will be a special performance for Spirit on Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup>. The annual community grounds clean up day is set for April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The annual spring Easter Egg hunt is set for April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The board is discussing having an antique classic car show on April 8<sup>th</sup>, along with Easter Bunny pictures.

### **Citizen Concerns:**

Roger Owens attended the council meeting and voiced his concerns about the adjourning property owner at 5061 Bell Cross Road. Roger Owens is concerned with the amount of motor vehicles that are located on the property and the amount of trash and debris that blows into his yard. The Mayor informed Mr. Owens the city is currently passing an ordinance to establish a planning and zoning commission to help with the issue. The city will also send another informal letter requesting clean up, before sending a notice of violation from public health officer.

Ryan Sneed was present and voiced his concerns with the annual wide city clean up. He has been noticed the resident resigning at property 7847 Hwy 41 North is collecting items for the city wide clean up. Mr. Sneed asked if the city could go a different route, dumpsters at City Hall, instead of doing the road side pick-up because it seems residents are taking advantage of the city. The board informed Mr. Sneed the city has placed dumpsters before and it was not successful. The



board would monitor and try their best to prevent multiple pick-ups for these locations but they could not regulate what was currently taking place on properties until the city hires a code inspector and the modified zoning ordinance is passed.

Jonathan Ervin, property owner at 5569 Keysburg Road, attended the council meeting to voice his concerns about a adjourning property at 5575 Keysburg Road. Mr. Ervin had information that the property was under contract for an alcohol and drug rehabilitation center with Hope Center Ministries. The board informed Mr. Ervin that the property was not inside City of Adams' jurisdiction and he would need to contact the district's county commissioners or Robertson County.

There being no further business, Mayor Evans moved to adjourned. Vice Mayor Hall seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

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