



City Meeting August 10th 2023

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

Item 1: Open with A Prayer

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

Item 2: City Council July Minutes

Minutes from July 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. Baird seconded it. All in favor, none opposed.

Item 3: Financials

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

Item 4: LGIP Account

The current checking account balance is \$176,957.33 and the current LGIP is \$926,170.07. The city council discussed making a deposit \$45,000 from the general fund checking account to the general fund LGIP account. Hall made a motion to approve city manager to move \$45,000 to LGIP account. Baird seconded the motion. A roll call was made; Baird "Aye", Hall "Aye", Evans "Aye". Passed 3-0.

Item 5: Map 41C Group A Parcel 23.00

The property is owned by City of Adams and Cedar Hill because an old water tank use to sit on this property. Ms. Gail Turner lives at the lot that touches three sides of the parcel. She has been mowing and maintaining the lot for several years since the water tank was taken down in 2015. Ms. Gail Turner is selling the lot (Parcel 24.00), and the interested buyer wanted to know if the city had any plans for this piece of land. The city council and city manager were not aware the city still owned this land because the city has not been maintaining it for several years. Hall made a motion to transfer the lot by quit claim deed to Ms. Gail Turner, owner of parcel 24.00, because she has been maintaining it for over 10 years, and the lot is two tenths of an acre and is land locked. Evans seconded the motion. A roll call was made; Baird "Aye", Hall "Aye", Evans "Aye". Passed 3-0.

Reports from Staff:

City Manager informed the board about new laws passed by State of Tennessee; The public comment section of city meetings, agenda requirements of informing public and amendments, interest rate changes to Untied Community Bank CDs, and drafted ordinances by John Eskew for



Adams Municipal Code titles to be updated regarding municipal court and property maintenance clean up.

Rec Club – No one present for Recreation Club.

Fire Department – Donovan Tucker was present for the fire department. Mr. Tucker attended the fire committee meeting with Robertson County, for the new budget proposal. A county commissioner made a motion that Adams does not get anymore funding because Adams fire department was not prepared with the documents the county requested for the county budget. City of Adams was not the only municipality not prepared and knew exactly what the county wanted to see. Mr. Tucker did have line-item of the previous budget and the actual numbers for fiscal year 2022-2023 of the Adams Fire Department. The end result of the county fire committee meeting that Adams portion of the county budget would possibly be increased by \$30,000 to \$35,000 for year 2023-2024. Vice Mayor Hall asked Donovan if he usually attends this meeting for the county in regards what the county committee requested. Mr. Tucker said he does not and this was the first time he had participated in the discussion with the county increasing the Adams Fire department money, and in the past the Fire Chief would be responsible. Mr. Tucker mentioned there was some discussion regarding cities fire department pulling out from the county and the coverage areas would change for the fire departments.

Jay Hall asked the representative how many volunteer firefighters does the department have and how many of those were at the last meeting. Donovan said there are sixteen on the payroll and about six or seven showed up for the June meeting. Vice Mayor Hall informed the city council and the public there has been some comments made about needing a new fire chief. There was some discussion on who would be interested in taking on the responsibility as fire chief. Mr. Tucker mentioned there is interest in filling the position and the fire hall supports it. There was some discussion about a station in Cedar Hill. Vice Mayor Hall expressed his concern with the lack of participation and interest with the volunteer fire hall station in Adams, before creating a new fire hall in another municipality. Commissioner Barid agreed with Vice Mayor Hall. The city council would be willing to budget more for the fire department to help support, build, and encourage the fire department to grow as long as the funds are used appropriately. The city council were agreeance this would be readdressed in the coming months.

Other Business: Commissioner Barid gave an update on the Community Watch Facebook post. She plans to repost, one more time, and get in contact with an individual that is familiar with setting up a community watch program. Commissioner Barid discussed a pageant, and cornhole league for the fall festival and build it up for the Spring Community Event.

Public Comments: None.

There being no further business, Mayor Evans moved to adjourned. Vice Mayor Hall seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

City Recorder

Robert Wayne Evans, Mayor