

LaFollette City Council

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday April 5, 2022 5:30 p.m.

The City of LaFollette Mayor and Council met in a regular monthly meeting on April 5, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the LaFollette City Hall. Mayor Phillip Farmer called the meeting to order. Mr. Terry Sweat led the prayer and pledge. Mayor Farmer asked for the roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Present
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Present
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Present
- Mr. Bryan St. John..... Present
- Mayor Phillip Farmer.... Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 2022 MEETINGS INCLUDING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Mr. Hoskins made the motion to approve the minutes from the March 2022 meetings. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

REPORTS FROM BOARDS, COMMITTEES, & DEPARTMENTS

Mr. Kitts made the motion that the various reports be approved. Mr. Hoskins made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes
-Motion Carried-

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Mayor Farmer asked if there were any comments from the citizens. Discussion occurred between Ms. Terri Larsen, Mr. Stan Foust and Council regarding hotel/motel tax that was discussed at last months Public Hearing. Ms. Larsen and Mr. Foust agreed for Ms. Larsen to come by city hall and they would contact the state and see where the state was with the process on the city’s hotel/motel tax submittal and the questions Ms. Larsen asked pertaining to the tax questions she had at last months Public Hearing. Mayor Farmer asked for any other comments. Mayor Farmer stated let it be noted no other comments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Farmer asked if there were any announcements. Mr. Foust announced the Opening of the Dogwood Trails and the City annual Easter Egg Hunt.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

*** Ordinance 2022-03- Adopting and enacting supplemental and replacement pages for the Municipal Code of the City of LaFollette, Tennessee. (Final Reading)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Ordinance 2022-03. Mr. Hoskins made the motion to approve Ordinance 2022-03. Mrs. Solomon made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Ordinance 2022-04- Amending Section 5-A of the Employee Personnel Policy. (Final Reading)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Ordinance 2022-04. Mr. Hoskins made the motion to approve Ordinance 2022-04. Mr. Kitts made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Ordinance 2022-06- Ordinance abandoning a portion of unopened street located within South Ninth Street of the City of LaFollette. (First Reading)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Ordinance 2022-06. Mrs. Solomon made the motion to approve Ordinance 2022-06. Mr. Hoskins made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Ordinance 2022-07- Ordinance amending personnel policy on recommendations from Comptroller's Office. (First Reading)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Ordinance 2022-07. Mr. Kitts made the motion to approve Ordinance 2022-07. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Ordinance 2022-08- Ordinance regulating city property. (First Reading)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Ordinance 2022-08. Mr. Hoskins made the motion to approve Ordinance 2022-08. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Resolution 2022-09- Applying for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Resolution 2022-09. Mrs. Solomon made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-09. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Resolution 2022-10- Engineering Services for Fulghum, MacIndoe & Associates. (Community Development Block Grant Application)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Resolution 2022-10. Mr. Kitts made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-010. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Resolution 2022-11- Administrative Services for Community Development Partners. (Community Development Block Grant Application)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Resolution 2022-11. Mr. St. John made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-11. Mr. Kitts made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Resolution 2022-12- Amending the 2021/2022 Budget.**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Resolution 2022-12. Mrs. Solomon made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-12. Mr. Hoskins made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Resolution 2022-13- Resolution to support restoring the historic revenue sharing relationship between the State of Tennessee and its local governments and return the local share of the single article cap to local governments.**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council on Resolution 2022-013. Mr. Hoskins made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-13. Mr. Kitts made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

ADMINISTRATION

*** Declaring April Clean up Fix up month.**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council. Mr. Hoskins made the motion to approve. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Approval of bid \$256,621.00 for resurfacing and striping Municipal Building rear parking lot and entrance street to Fire Station #3. (Rogers Group Knoxville)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council. Mrs. Solomon made the motion to approve. Mr. Hoskins made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Approval to surplus Old Post Office Building.**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council. Mr. Hoskins made the motion to approve. Mrs. Solomon made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

* Mr. Hoskins made a motion to suspend the rules. Mrs. Solomon made the second.

Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

- Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes
- Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes
- Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes
- Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

Discussion occurred between Mr. Terry Sweat and Council regarding a LPRF grant for LaFollette Recreation. Mr. Sweat advised Council the state had agreed to increase the grant to \$625,000.00 which the city would have to match making the city's portion 312,500.00 and the state's portion would be

\$312,500.00. Mr. Hoskins made the motion to approve with the reservation that he would like to know what the total estimated cost would be on the project. Mr. Hoskins stated he would like to know what the new cost would be with labor and materials. Mr. Hoskins also stated his reason for the request was due to cost to where if it was so astronomical the city would not be able to afford it. Mr. Kitts made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

FIRE DEPARTMENT

*** Approval of bid \$34,925.31 for rescue equipment. (Fastenal)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council. Mrs. Solomon made the motion to approve. Mr. Kitts made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

*** Approval of bid \$44,031.00 for extraction equipment. (Safe Industries)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council. Mr. Kitts made the motion to approve. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

*** Approval of bid \$153,177.00 for bucket truck. (Versa Lift Forestry Shelby, NC)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council. Mr. Kitts made the motion to approve. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes

Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

*** Approval of bid \$28,960.15 for resealing and striping multiple facility parking lots. (Archie McMillan Construction, Inc.)**

Mayor Farmer asked, what is the pleasure of the Council. Mr. Kitts made the motion to approve. Mr. St. John made the second. Mayor Farmer requested roll call, which was as follows:

Mr. Mark Hoskins Yes

Mr. Wayne Kitts Yes

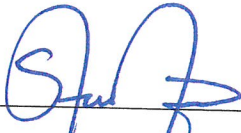
Mrs. Stephanie Solomon..... Yes


Mr. Bryan St. John.....Yes

-Motion Carried-

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Farmer asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hoskins made the motion to adjourn.

Attest: , Clerk
Stan Foust

, Mayor
Phillip Farmer