

**Minutes of the
City Council Work Session
Eagleville City Hall, Eagleville, TN
Thursday, November 17, 2022 – 7:00 PM**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Chad Leeman	P	Vice-Mayor Bill Tollett	P
Councilman Chris Hendrix	P	Councilman Ryan Edwards	A
Councilman Brandon Emamalie	P	Councilman Jason Blair	P
Councilman Heath Garner	P		

STAFF

Hellyn Riggins, City Manager
David Breniser, Police Chief

Jonathan Armstrong, Fire Chief

GUESTS

Jeanna Loyd	Joyce Jones
Mike Loyd	Mandy Pinion
Craig Campbell	Tonya Bell

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Chad Leeman.

MAYORS WELCOME

Mayor Leeman welcomed everyone in attendance to the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called by City Manager Hellyn Riggins with quorum present.

DISCUSSION

Merchants Association Introduction and Discussion

Newly appointed President of the Eagleville Merchants Association, Jeanna Loyd introduced herself and the other merchants in attendance. She provided a list of all the merchants that are members as well as the different events the association has sponsored in the past. She stated that there is a social media page for the association that tries to support all the members. She stated that one of the purposes of the association is to bring people from outside of Eagleville into the community to shop and eat. One of the most successful events they sponsor is First Friday. The First Friday events show profit of 50-75% more than the other Friday's of the month based on two months of data. The association has also filed for a 501c3 and should have everything in order in the next 4-6 weeks based on processing times. Ms. Loyd also wanted to say thank you to the council for supporting the First Friday events by sponsoring the bands. She hopes we will continue to be partners with events in the future. Councilman Blair encouraged the association to come to the council with any questions or concerns.

Charter Changes: Eligibility to Serve on Council

The council is interested in changing the charter from one year required residency within the city limits to be an elected member of city government. City Attorney, Stephen Aymett, stated that he has spoken with MTAS regarding this change. Our current charter only requires one year residency and it falls within the state guidelines. MTAS advised caution in having a long residency requirement. Vice Mayor Tollett stated that five years was too long but the current one year was not long enough. Councilman Blair stated he liked the idea of three years and Councilman Hendrix agreed. Attorney Aymett was asked by the council to look into the possibility of changing the requirement to three years.

Snow/Ice Removal

After a request to discuss snow/ice removal by Vice Mayor Tollett, Ms. Riggins stated that the city has purchased a plow to be used for snow and removing other debris as necessary. Vice Mayor mentioned that last year's snow, while unprecedented, made things a challenge. When TDOT plowed, they would leave piles of snow along Main Street that made it difficult for customers to get into the businesses. Ms. Riggins stated that with the new plow, we would be do our best to make sure there was a clear path to enter the businesses. While the city's plow is only for smaller amounts of snow, Austen Brennstuhl is on retainer to clear significant amounts. The city has also purchased 40 bags of salt to have on hand if needed.

Upcoming 2023 Appointments by Mayor and/or Council

In the next month the Mayor will be appointing members to the seats on the Planning Commission and possibly other committees/commissions. The council will also be voting on the Vice Mayor position as well as a new appointment for Municipal Judge. The ordinance for the judge is in the packet. Ms. Riggins will be looking at previous meeting minutes to determine which seats will be open on all committees/commissions.

City Manager Evaluation

Attorney Aymett stated he will make sure everyone receives the evaluation paperwork. Councilman Blair stated they could turn the evaluations in to him in a sealed envelope and he would get them to Attorney Aymett.

Mayors Comments

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned by Mayor Chad Leeman.
The meeting ended at 7:20 p.m.

Approval by:



Mayor Chad Leeman



Assistant City Recorder Katy Sanderson

Date minutes were approved:

12/15/22