

**Public Hearing and Regular
Meeting of the Cornersville
Board of Mayor and Aldermen
July 3, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**



Those Participating: Vice Mayor Sherry McClintock, Aldermen Doris Arthur, Mary Johnson, and Janice Kerber, Town Administrator Taylor Brandon, and Town Attorney Billy Ostermann

Mayor John Luna and Alderman Taylor Pickett were absent.

1. **McClintock called the Public Hearing to order for 222 Hatchett Hollow Rd Annexation**
Johnson asked what the owner is going to do with the property. Brandon stated they will have a plat soon and an engineer is working on it. There were no other comments relating to the annexation.
2. **McClintock closed the Public Hearing**
3. **McClintock called the Regular Meeting to order**
4. **McClintock led the Pledge of Allegiance**
5. **Arthur said the Invocation**
6. **Financials:** Arthur asked if most delinquent property taxes had come in. Brandon stated yes, most delinquent taxes have been paid through the Clerk and Master's office. Arthur asked about the EMS unit, and it appears the Ambulance Service is using more than they are budgeted for the utilities. Brandon stated yes they are but the Public Works Director installing a programmable thermostat in the unit, and he will be the one with the PIN to change the temperature in the unit. Brandon stated he and Stiles have recently found the thermostat being set at 68 degrees. Johnson asked what kind of shape the EMS unit is in. Brandon stated it is adequate and very similar to a college dorm room. He stated there are multiple people (employees) in and out of the unit. Johnson made a motion to accept the financials as presented. Kerber seconded the motion. McClintock asked if there was any other discussion, and there was none. McClintock called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Passed unanimously.
7. **Minutes:** Ostermann stated page 4, Section B, he is loosely quoted in what he said, and it needs to be made more clear by changing it to "there is nothing in place." Brandon asked the board if it would allow McClintock to sign the minutes, and he will change that one sentence. All board members were in favor of that. Kerber made a motion to approve the minutes with the sentence change on Page 4. Section B, last sentence. Johnson seconded the motion. McClintock asked if there was any other discussion, and there was none. McClintock called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Citizens Comments: There were no comments from citizens.

9. Ordinance 25-352 Procedure to remove Town Committee Members - First Reading: Brandon stated as counsel stated the town has a way to remove Board of Mayor and Aldermen members according to the Town's Charter but does not have any procedures for removing members for all other boards and committees. Ostermann stated there was a typographical error within the ordinance. He stated in Section 5 it states if there is a removal and that person files an appeal, the position can be filled on a temporary basis. He stated it should say "pending the outcome of the appeal". He stated if the appeal is sustained, then that person should be put back into their office (position) and the temporary appointment will no longer be in place. He stated if the appeal is not successful, then the temporary appointment could obviously continue to serve. He stated he feels if someone is wrongfully removed, appeals, and wins the appeal, they should be able to get their spot back. Brandon stated he thinks the wording could be a little more clear regarding the vacancy. Ostermann stated different boards/committees are formed in different ways.

Brandon stated he wonders if there could be a discrepancy, for they are not a mayor or alderman, since the other committees/boards are not elected. Ostermann stated it is not his legal opinion but in his personal opinion, that if someone from the Board of Mayor and Alderman is removed, there is no other group in municipal government to appeal to because you are already at the top. He stated it would be good to have a different avenue to pursue, like chancery court. Brandon agreed and stated it was an excellent point because you must have someone to appeal to. Ostermann stated he is very much in favor of leaving that in the ordinance. Kerber made a motion to accept Ordinance 25-352 with changes to the wording to the effect of the Board may fill the vacancy pending the outcome of the appeal and shall be treated as any other vacancy. Johnson seconded the motion. McClintock asked if there was any other discussion, and there was none. McClintock called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Resolution 25-353 Annexation of 222 Hatchett Hollow Road: Brandon stated this annexation will be very little cost to the town and there is nothing to be done until we receive a plat. Approximately half of the parcel is currently located within the town limits. Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 25-353 annexing the remainder of the parcel on 222 Hatchett Hollow Road and approving the Plan of Services. Arthur seconded the motion. McClintock asked if there was any discussion, and there was none. McClintock called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

11. Other Business:

- a. Brandon stated the surplus golf cart sold on the Gov Deals website for \$1,200.00 and the surplus black Dodge Charger police car sold on Gov Deals for \$2,501.00.
- b. Brandon stated the Town of Cornersville will be receiving an award. Only 80 of 347 towns in Tennessee will receive an award regarding the submission of the FY25-26 budget to the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury within 15 days of passage.
- c. Coble three (3) parcel minor subdivision on Collier Road: Brandon stated he had submitted this to the Planning Commission because he was out of town that week. He stated CJ Coble appeared, and the Planning Commission neither approved nor denied the plat. He stated Coble still has not been given any guidance as to what he needs to do from the Planning Commission. Brandon said the Subdivision Regulations state that the Zoning

Administrator (Town Administrator) can approve a minor subdivision plat, which is five lots or fewer and requires no infrastructure. He stated the infrastructure is already in place. Coble has already put in the six (6) inch water line after the annexation and installed fire hydrants. Ostermann asked if Coble was going to be able to get the water taps. Brandon stated he already has the water taps. Kerber asked if there were any drainage issues and Brandon stated no that Coble already had it studied by an engineer. Mr. Coble has the topography and the water will drain into an existing creek. Arthur stated Brandon had only sent the project to the Planning Commission because he was going to be out that week. The Planning Commission did not do anything with it. Arthur made a motion to approve the final plat for CJ Coble for three (3) houses on Collier Road and allow Brandon to sign. Kerber seconded the motion. McClintock asked if there was any other discussion, and there was none. McClintock called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- d. McClintock stated she wanted to thank Scott Stiles for putting out all the flags during holidays.

Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kerber seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

Sherry McClintock
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Vice Mayor

Date

8/7/25

Taylor Brandon
Taylor Brandon
Town Recorder

Date

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