

**Regular Meeting of the
Cornersville Board of Mayor
and Aldermen
August 7, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**



Those Participating: Mayor John Luna, Vice-Mayor Sherry McClintock, Aldermen Doris Arthur, Mary Johnson, and Janice Kerber, Town Administrator Taylor Brandon, Town Attorney Billy Ostermann, and Police Chief Mark Chandler.

Alderman Taylor Pickett was absent.

1. Luna called the meeting to order
2. Luna led the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Arthur gave the Invocation
4. **Financials:** Johnson made a motion to approve the Financials as presented. Kerber seconded the motion. Luna asked if there was any discussion, and there was none. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion.
5. **Minutes:** Johnson made a motion to approve the Minutes as presented. Arthur seconded the motion. Luna asked if there was any discussion, and there was none. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion.
6. **Citizens Comments:** Luna asked if there were any Citizens Comments and there were none.
7. **Ordinance 25-352 Procedure to remove Town Committee Members – Second Reading:** Brandon stated there are two (2) changes from the First Reading. The first one is Section 3 where a stray line was deleted. The second change was in Section 5. The last sentence was changed to state “the appointment to fill such vacancy shall be temporary pending appeal.” Kerber made a motion to adopt Ordinance 25-352 Procedures to remove Committee Members on Second Reading. Johnson seconded the motion. Luna asked if there was any other discussion, and there was none. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Passed 4-0.
8. **Resolution 25-354 Authorizing engineer contract for CDBG sidewalk project –** Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 25-354 authorizing engineer contract for CDBG sidewalk project. McClintock seconded the motion. Arthur asked where the new sidewalk would start. Brandon stated at John Derryberry’s house where the Denihan’s reside going north. Brandon stated there will also be a crosswalk crossing North Main Street at the entrance to Beechwood Cemetery. Luna asked if there was an update on the new school zone lights. Brandon stated he has not heard anything recently but does know a contractor has been hired. Luna asked if there was any other discussion, and there was none. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Passed 4-0.

9. **Resolution 25-355 Authorizing a LGIP account for the Events Committee** – Johnson asked Brandon to explain, and Brandon stated the interest rate with LGIP versus CB&S Bank is higher and compounded monthly. Arthur asked when he would pull the money out of CB&S Bank and Brandon stated after the LGIP account is set up. He stated the account has a little over \$13,000 in CB&S Bank, and he would pull out \$12,000 to go into LGIP account. He stated it takes two (2) business days to get funds transferred back into CB&S Bank account. The LGIP account can have funds added or reduced as needed. Johnson asked if the interest earned would go to the Events Committee account and Brandon stated yes it would. Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 25-355 Authorizing a LGIP account the Events Committee. Arthur seconded the motion. Luna asked if there was any other discussion, and there was none. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Passed 4-0.

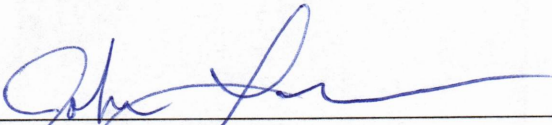
10. **Hiring Recommendation for a third police officer:** Kerber made a motion to hire Sam Barnes. She stated she had met and talked with him and was impressed, and his application showed he is qualified and is experienced in law enforcement. She stated she felt he would be another asset to the Town of Cornersville. Johnson seconded the motion. Chief Chandler stated Barnes was unable to attend the meeting because he was at home sick and running a fever. Ostermann stated he knew him and had previously worked with him. Johnson stated only two (2) applications were received. Johnson asked Chief Chandler if Mr. Barnes stated how long he would stay with the Town of Cornersville, and Chandler stated most areas around do a two (2) year contract. McClintock asked when he could start, and Chandler stated there is no start date yet. Arthur asked if he still worked for Maury County Sheriff's Department and the Town of Lynnville. Chandler stated not Maury County Sheriff's Department but does still work part-time for the Town of Lynnville. Luna asked if there was any other discussion, and there was none. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion. Passed 4-0.

11. Other Business:

- a. **Location of Leadership Marshall Banners** – Brandon explained the Leadership Marshall class's project this year is to place banners across the county. Brandon stated Cornersville will be receiving ten (10) banners, and he suggests placing five (5) north of North Park Street and five (5) south of South Park Street. He stated we have American Flags that will continue to be placed on patriotic holidays. Brandon stated the banners are 24x36 and Duck River Electric will be installing them.
- b. **Beechwood Ave culvert repair and street widening completion** – Brandon stated the culverts across Beechwood Ave had been damaged and were sinking where heavy trucks had been traveling to complete the new subdivision at Polk/East Hill/Underwood streets. He stated the repair was completed and the street was widened by four feet. The widened portion of the street will be paved at some point this fiscal year. He stated the mailboxes were moved back during the street widening and asks people to drive on the gravel to help compact it.
- c. **Appointment of Vice-Mayor** – Brandon stated the appointment of a Vice-Mayor is required annually per the town charter, and it has not been done in several years. Kerber nominated Sherry McClintock as Vice-Mayor. Arthur seconded the motion. Luna asked McClintock if she would accept the nomination and McClintock stated yes. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor to retain Sherry McClintock as Vice-Mayor.

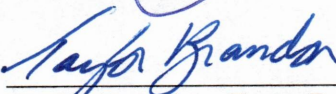
- d. **CES sidewalk plans have been submitted** – Brandon explained the bidding for a contractor will begin soon. He stated the grass strip between the street and sidewalk was removed from the plans. Kerber asked about the planters on the sidewalk and Brandon stated the sidewalk will be ADA compliant with a width of five (5) feet. Brandon stated the Transportation Planning Grant will make all sidewalks five (5) feet wide.
- e. **Pothole Repairs** – Brandon stated Scott Stiles had repaired potholes on McConnell Road, Coleman Road, Hatchett Hollow Road, and Lynnville Hwy at the Church of Christ.
- f. **Municipal Code 2nd Revision and potential vote in September** – Brandon stated the second revision of the Municipal Code has been received, and he would like to have a first reading in September. Luna asked about the second revision and did the first revision go before the Board. Brandon stated it was not heard by BOMA because there were very minor revisions, such as time of meetings, and he felt it would be much better if the board members revised the code closer to the adoption. He stated it is a very long code compared to the one in 1998. Kerber asked if the BOMA could receive a copy well before the packets came out to have enough time to study it. Beth Vick stated she would make copies and get them to the board as soon as possible. Brandon stated the town is required to advertise a Public Hearing for a minimum of fifteen (15) days prior to first reading. He stated the Public Hearing will be before the next BOMA meeting in September.

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



John Luna, Mayor

Date



Taylor Brandon, Town Recorder

9/4/25

Date