

**Regular Meeting of the  
Cornersville Board of Mayor  
and Aldermen  
December 7, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**



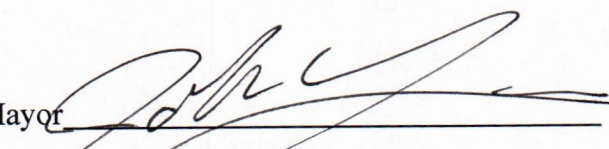
**Those Participating:** Mayor John Luna, Alderman Sherry McClintock, Alderman Mary Johnson, Alderman Doris Arthur, Alderman Janice Kerber, Town Attorney Billy Ostermann, Town Administrator Taylor Brandon and Sgt Wesley Vick.

1. **Luna called the meeting to order.**
2. **Luna led the Pledge of Allegiance.**
3. **Arthur said the Invocation.**
4. **Approval of the Financials:** Johnson made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Kerber 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.
5. **Approval of the Minutes:** Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Arthur seconded the motion. Luna asked if there was any discussion, McClintock advised she was not in attendance of the November 2, 2023 meeting. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion.
6. **Citizens Comments:** Michael Logelin, 2705 McConnell Road, stated he is concerned the speed limit along Coleman Road is too high at 30 MPH and requests it be lowered. Brandon stated 15 MPH signs have been ordered for around the curves. Theo Cristan, 114 Polk Street, asked if there are any expectations for mailboxes in the East Hill, Underwood, and Polk Street project. Brandon stated USPS encourages mail kiosks, but the USPS is not willing to offer any funding. The mailboxes are very expensive. He stated for now the residents shall have individual mailboxes. Cristan asked if there were any ideas for bike trails to the park and along Main Street. Brandon stated not at this time.
7. **Resolution 23-302 Sale of surplus real estate (old Water Treatment Plant) property:** Brandon stated the appraisal is complete. The property should be sold for \$15,000 to \$30,000 by auction or bids. He stated the property is entirely in the flood zone except along Highway 31A. He stated he would like to mandate the property be in use within a certain period of time or be reverted back to the Town of Cornersville. Johnson made a motion to adopt the resolution declaring the real property at 521 South Main Street as surplus and allow Brandon to sell it. Kerber 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. Resolution passed.

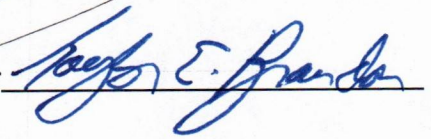
- 8. Resolution 23-309 Written Complaints:** Brandon stated as the resolution is written any complaint must be written and signed. Complaints will be accepted at Town Hall or by email. Ostermann stated verbal complaints will not be accepted. For clarification, Ostermann stated written complaints shall not apply to reports or complaints of criminal violation or any emergency situation. Kerber asked if the town can have a fillable PDF form on the website. Brandon stated he will look into that. Kerber made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-309 Written complaints. Johnson seconded the motion. Luna asked if there was any other discussion. McClintock asked if the written complaints are public record. Brandon said complaints will be public record, but he encourages all citizens to try to resolve conflicts before making a written complaint. McClintock stated she does not agree with written complaints. Luna called for a vote. Arthur, Kerber, and Johnson voted in favor of the motion. McClintock was opposed. Resolution passed.
- 9. Ordinance 23-310 Subdivision Application Fees (First Reading):** Brandon stated this ordinance changes all fees applicable to subdivisions. McClintock asked what the difference is in a minor and major subdivision. Brandon stated anything over five lots is a major subdivision except in certain situations. Kerber made a motion to adopt Ordinance 23-310. 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. Ordinance passed first reading.
- 10. Other Business:**
- a. **Report on debt obligation submitted to the Board of Mayor and Alderman:** Brandon stated the debt obligation was approved by the State of Tennessee.
  - b. **Employee Christmas Bonus:** Arthur stated the town has had a lot of projects and expenses this year. Arthur made a motion to give full time employees a Christmas Bonus of \$300.00 and part time employees \$150.00. 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. Motion passed.
  - c. **Praise Chief Chandler for working extra hours while Sgt Vick was out:** Brandon praised Chief Chandler for all the hours he worked while Sgt Vick was out with a knee replacement. He stated Sgt Vick is now back to work.
  - d. **Review proposed audit:** Brandon stated there was no concerns. The town has a minor finding for Separation of Duties, which has happened since 1998. The town does not have enough employees to provide adequate separation of duties. Kerber made a motion to approve the audit. Johnson 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. Motion Passed.
  - e. Kerber asked about the status of the new police car since it was ordered in February 2023. Brandon stated the dealership in Columbia has taken delivery of the car. Kerber asked where the town stands with the police department on the interstate at Exit 27. Brandon stated the TN Department of Homeland Security was provided documentation from the town. The Department is currently revising its form. The Department will advise the town when the form is revised.
  - f. McClintock stated she has seen several residences that need to be cleaned up and some have already been cited and/or warned multiple times. Brandon stated he would have the police officers check. McClintock was asked to provide a list to provide the officers.
  - g. Luna stated there was a great turn out for the Events Committee for Christmas on Main despite the rain.
  - h. Brandon stated the East Hill, Underwood, and Polk project is underway except for the paving. Paving is closed for the winter months. It should resume in March 2024.

- i. Luna stated the Events Committee is going to be asking the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for a concrete pad instead of having the stage for events at the park.

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

Mayor or Vice Mayor 

Date 12/7/23

Town Administrator/ Recorder 

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