Regular Meeting of the Cornersville Board of Mayor and Aldermen June 6, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.



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

- 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 discussion, and there was none. Luna called for a vote, and all voted in favor of the motion.
- **5. Approval of the Minutes**: Kerber made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. 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.
- 6. Citizens Comments: Theo Cristan, 114 Polk St, stated the lot in front of his house is extremely high, has mice, and would like for it to be cut. Brandon stated the lot is owned by Jason Terry and he will contact him to have it cut.
- 7. Ordinance 24-317: Permitting Due Care and Open Container to be heard in Municipal Court: Second Reading. Brandon stated there are no changes from first reading. Johnson made a motion to approve Ordinance 24-317 on second reading. McClintock 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, and Ordinance 24-317 passed.
- 8. Ordinance 24-319: Amending FY 23-24 Budget: Second Reading: Brandon stated second reading increases General Fund appropriation to \$746,000 for the FY 23-24 Budget. Street Fund appropriation increase is \$15,000.00, and Sanitation Fund appropriation increase is \$5,176.00. Kerber made a motion to accept and approve Ordinance 24-319 with the increase in appropriation. Johnson seconded the motion. Luna asked if there was any discussion, and there was none. Luna called for vote, and all voted in favor of the motion, and Ordinance 24-319 passed.
- 9. Resolution 24-321: Adopting the 2023 Marshall County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan: Brandon stated the adoption of the plan allows the Town of Cornersville to receive state and federal funding faster for disasters. He stated Cornersville Church is Christ is currently the shelter for Cornersville and the plan could help provide generators, water, etc. to the shelter.

It would help identify flooding areas, sinkholes and their risks, and identify the risk of wind, snow, and tornado's in the Marshall County area. McClintock asked if this will help the town get a grant for Tornado Sirens. Brandon stated it is in the plan and possibly can help. McClintock made a motion to adopt Resolution 24-321 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.

10. Other Business:

- a. **Fiscal Year 23-24 in Review:** Brandon stated all the accomplishments the Town of Cornersville has completed or about to complete in FY 23-24. There is a page attached as an Exhibit A to the Minutes.
- b. Acknowledge the Cornersville High School LEO Club for trash pickup: Brandon stated the Cornersville High School LEO Club picked up several garbage bags of trash along Coleman Road at the end of the school year.
- c. Storm and Wind Damage of May 22, 2024: Brandon stated several trees were knocked down throughout town but especially Coleman Road. He stated it destroyed the pavilion and damaged the old jail at Caboose Park on Water Street. Brandon stated Top Notch Property Management agreed to not limit length and size of brush piles for 30 days after the storm. He stated the Town paid \$7,600.00 for the extra brush removal along Coleman Road with no additional charge to the residents. Luna wants to consider parking spaces in the area of Caboose Park sometime in the future.
- d. Change July 4, 2024 Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting: Brandon stated the regular July meeting is on a holiday and needs to be changed. All agreed to meet for the regular meeting on Thursday, July 11, 2024.

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

Mayor or Vice Mayor

Town Administrator/ Recorder_

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Exhibit A

FY23-24 Year in Review

Special Census completed

- Yielded a certified population of 1,571
- Cornersville population increased by 343 people from the 2020 census, which constitutes 28% growth
- The increase in population will yield an additional \$58,409 per year beginning July 2024

Fiscal Highlights

- Total Revenue Increased 18% year over year
- Surplus funds invested with LGIP earned interest of \$41,737.00
- The Town retired debt of \$89,345.00
- TN Comptroller issued a budget commendation for timely budget approval and reporting

Grants

- Awarded Community Development Block Grant for a sidewalk to the elementary school valued at \$208,826
- Awarded School Zone traffic grant valued at \$100,000.00
- Awarded TDOT Transportation Planning Grant valued at \$98,000

Public Works Projects

Paving (Approximate Linear Feet)

- Bulldawg Trails: 780 ft
- Dubose Lane: 660 ft
- E. Hill Ave.: 585 ft and added cul-de-sac
- Fairview Ave: 230 feet and added cul-de-sac
- Pine St.: 300 ft to be completed by June 30, 2024
- Polk St.: 470 feet and added cul-de-sac
- S. Park St.: 300 feet
 - Parking area west of the park 85 ft Alley south of the park: 290 feet
- Underwood St.: 570 ft

Sidewalks (Approximate Linear Feet)

S. Park St: 300 feet

New Construction

Commercial

- The Tennessean Truckstop reopened
- The Middle Tennessee Travel Center opened
- Two-unit commercial property opened (formerly Starlight property)
- Kidsville Playground expected completion July 2024

Residential

• 20 housing units were issued Zoning Compliance Certificates

New Businesses:

- Cypress Café
- Master Wok
- Oh Snips Hair Salon
- Vintage Poodle opening in July

Annexations (approximate acreage)

Glenn Property: 88 acres

McConnell/Coleman Rds: 81 acres

Simmons Ridge Rd: 5 acres