

**CITY OF ROCKY TOP COUNCIL MEETING**  
**20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 6:00 PM**

The City Council of the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee, met at City Hall at 6:00 p.m., on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022, for the regular scheduled meeting, with Mayor Tim Sharp presiding. On the roll call the following answered present:

Denise Casteel                  Tony Devaney                  Zack Green                  Juston Job                  Tim Sharp

**Invocation**

Mayor Tim Sharp opened the meeting with a prayer.

A motion to add a resolution to the agenda was made by Councilman Zack Green and seconded by Vice-Mayor Juston Job. It passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes**

The motion to approve the minutes for the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 regularly scheduled meeting was made by Vice-Mayor Juston Job and was seconded by Councilman Tony Devaney. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Recognize Citizens, Guests and Visitors**

Lydia Birk of SM&E Brownfield Grant- partnered with East TN Development District. Jordan Rockwell, Rick Meredith and Maria Hooks were all in attendance. Rocky Top has been very aggressive in pursuing grants to get work done. This is another opportunity to address derelict properties in need of revitalization including but not limited to lead-based paint and asbestos and gas station property remediation. The next step would be to get property owners involved, as these grants are specifically for property owners. Jordan Rockwell explained that this would be at no cost to property owners. Rick Meredith reiterated the opportunity to use free money. Maria Hooks explained the partnerships between the parties and how they all work together. She thanked Michael Foster for his work in attaining grants and being a great community partner.

Kayla Simon from ASAP of Anderson introduced Savannah, their new Prevention Coordinator.

**Mayor's Report**

Kelly Harris of the Rocky Top Public library presented Pam Busby as the newest Library Board member. She also invited everyone to the library for Halloween festivities.

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

**Canon & Canon Contract- ARPA/ARC/SRF/CDBG-** Jacob is the project manager with Cannon & Cannon. Phase 1 2016-2018 SRF- completed in 2020. They are hoping to start the sewer rehab after January 1, 2023. Construction costs will be \$4.1m. Mayor Sharp made a motion to accept the contract, and Vice-Mayor Job seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Canon & Canon Contract- Infrastructure Planning Grant-** Flow monitoring process will begin in November and end in about January, which will give us data for the rehabilitation. The city's match will be \$2,500.00. Vice-Mayor Job made a motion to accept the contract, and Councilwoman Casteel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Community Development Partners Contract** – Evan Sanders worked with us on the first SRF- this contract is for the ARC section only. Mayor Sharp made a motion to accept the contract, and Vice-Mayor Job seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Resolution for the Public Entity Partners Property Conservation Grant** – this will be spent on cameras for the Public Works building. Mayor Sharp made a motion to approve the resolution, and Councilman Zack Green seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Rocky Top Municipal Code Title 17-** it is necessary to update the code in prior to putting the new trash cans and truck into use. We are still expecting delivery in December. Vice-Mayor Job made a motion to approve the resolution, and Councilwoman Casteel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Resolution Authorizing the City of Rocky Top to Participate in the TN Dept of Transportation Alternatives Grant Program-** This is an 80/20 TDOT grant, which used in conjunction with the ARPA funds, would be used to purchase things we are already spending money on, and we will be asking the school system to help with the match. Mayor Sharp made a motion, and Councilman Green the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **General Government**

#### **Sewer Adjustments- \$1,348.19**

Vice-Mayor Job made a motion, and Councilwoman Casteel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

City Manager Foster advised he has spoken with Brooxie Carlton, and the CDBG grant announcement will be made at the end of the month. He met with the engineers regarding the planning and design of the Multimodal Access Grant; they are hoping to go to construction by the end of 2023. The Christmas tree lighting will be on December 1<sup>st</sup>, and the parade will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022. There has not been an official announcement made, but a project at the old ShopRite looks promising. Chief Shetterly advised that the city would be eligible for \$89,697.00 from the state; a letter of intent has been submitted. We are still evaluating how the money can be spent. Christmas lights will be going up on every pole and we have purchased a new nativity scene.

### **Committee Reports**

Tree Committee- working on an Arbor Day celebration with the schools, which will be held on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022, and then get back on schedule in March 2023. They are compiling a list of location for possible locations for future trees.

Planning Commission- Brownfield identification and getting owners involved.

Recreation Committee- Truck or Treat will be held on the 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022 with an outdoor movie sponsored by Mayor Sharp and ASAP of Anderson. The event begins at 5:30 and the movie will begin at 7. There will be hayrides, bounce house, pumpkin carving and costume contests, and hayrides.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

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Timothy Sharp, Mayor

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Kari Bates, City Recorder