

**City of Rocky Top Council Meeting
May 16, 2024 at 6:00 pm**

The City Council of Rocky Top, Tennessee met at City Hall at 6:00 pm on May 16, 2024, for the regularly scheduled City Council meeting with Mayor Kerry Templin presiding. Upon roll call the following answered present:

Jeff Gilliam Mack Bunch Zack Green Stacy Phillips Kerry Templin

Invocation

Councilperson Zack Green opened the meeting with prayer.
Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Councilperson Mack Bunch made a motion to approve the Beer Board minutes from the April 25, 2024, Beer Board Meeting, seconded by Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam, with Zack Green abstaining. Motion carried.

Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 25, 2024, City Council Meeting, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Phillips. Motion carried.

Recognize Citizens, Guests, and Visitors

House of Prayer and Praise submitted an application for a roadblock on June 8, 2024. House of Prayer and Praise is not yet a 501(c)(3) organization, but they have submitted an application for it. Councilperson Stacy Phillips made a motion to approve the roadblock application for House of Prayer and Praise on the condition that they submit their 501(c)(3) to the City before June 8, 2024, seconded by Councilperson Mack Bunch. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report

None

Committee Reports

Planning Commission – The Board of Zoning and Appeals will meet May 29, 2024, at 5:00pm.

Recreation Committee – No meeting for May, but they did have the Public Hearing for the ADA Grant for the ballfield at 5:00pm.

City Manager Report

Veteran's Breakfast will be at Clinch River Baptist Church on Saturday, May 18, 2024, starting at 8:00am. The water insurance discussed last month, Councilperson Zack Green asked about enrollment. All customers will be automatically enrolled and must call City Hall to decline. It will take about three months for the water insurance to take effect.

The sewer project is underway. They have been taking pictures around town.

There will be a Veteran's Memorial Program on Memorial Day at the Veteran's Memorial. State Representative Ed Butler will be the guest speaker.

City Council needs to have a Special Called Meeting on June 6, 2024, at 6:00pm for the first reading of a 2023-2024 Budget Amendment.

The lead service line survey is on the website for customers to fill out online.

Councilperson Zack Green mentioned a citizen asked him about the sidewalk project. City Manager Ellis said sidewalk project will hopefully be finished next year. The delay in the sidewalk project is due to some right of way issues that need to be resolved. The paving project was rescheduled due to the delay. Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam asked for an update on the 225 S Main Street property. City Manager Ellis said the City Attorney asked for an environmental assessment. City Manager Ellis has reached out to the Brownfield grant representative to get the environmental assessment completed.

City Manager Ellis mentioned the City has switched banking institutions, from Truist to People’s Bank of the South. The City is requesting to move the credit cards from Truist to People’s Bank of the South. Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam made a motion to open credit cards with People’s Bank of the South, and close out the credit cards with Truist, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Phillips. Motion carried.

General Government Report

Name	Address	Reason	Adjustment
Christina Duff	1022 S Main St	Pool	\$50.00
James Shetterly	115 Eighth St	Pool	\$212.00
Greg Phillips	603 Jacksboro Ave	Pool	\$41.00
Rocky Top Motel	221 Colonial Ln	Pool	\$559.00
Total			\$862.00

April sewer adjustments are \$862.00. Councilperson Mack Bunch made a motion to approve the sewer adjustments, seconded by Councilperson Zack Green. Motion carried with Councilperson Stacy Phillips abstaining.

Monthly water loss was 39.241%.

Police Report – Officer Malicoat will graduate from the Academy on June 22, 2024. The department has applied for accreditation through the TLETA program. This is a 3-year process.

Fire Report – 39 calls for the month of April.

Public Works Report – Normal monthly operations.

Water/Sewer Report – Normal monthly operations.

Ordinances and Resolutions

First Reading of Ordinance No. 586-An Ordinance of the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee Amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget, Passed by Ordinance 574, for the scoreboard. Councilperson Zack Green made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 586, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Phillips. Motion carried.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 587-An Ordinance to Amend the Rocky Top Municipal Code by Revising Water and Sewers Title 18, Section 18-101, Section 18-103, and Section 18-105 Effective July 1, 2024. Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 587, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Phillips. Motion carried, with Councilperson Zack Green opposing.

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 585-An Ordinance of the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee Adopting the Annual Budget and Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2024 and Ending June 30, 2025. Councilperson Stacy Phillips made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 585, seconded by Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilperson Mack Bunch, seconded by Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam. The meeting adjourned at 6:54 pm.

Kerry Templin, Mayor

Amanda Daugherty, City Recorder