

**City of Rocky Top Council Meeting  
Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 6:00 pm**

The City Council of Rocky Top, Tennessee met at City Hall at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, for the regularly scheduled City Council meeting with Mayor Kerry Templin presiding. Upon roll call the following answered present: Mack Bunch Jeff Gilliam Stacy Phillips Kerry Templin Zack Green was absent.

**Invocation**

City Manager Mike Ellis opened the meeting with prayer.  
Pledge of Allegiance

**Approval of Minutes**

Councilperson Jeff Gilliam made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 17, 2023 City Council Meeting, seconded by Vice-Mayor Mack Bunch. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam “I”; Mack Bunch “I”; Stacy Phillips “I”; and Mayor Templin “I”. Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilperson Stacy Phillips made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 28, 2023 Public Hearing, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gilliam. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam “I”; Mack Bunch “I”; Stacy Phillips “I”; and Mayor Templin “I”. Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Vice-Mayor Mack Bunch made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 28, 2023 Special Called Meeting, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gilliam. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam “I”; Mack Bunch “I”; Stacy Phillips “I”; and Mayor Templin “I”. Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilperson Stacy Phillips made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 5, 2023 Special Called Meeting, seconded by Vice-Mayor Mack Bunch. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam “I”; Mack Bunch “I”; Stacy Phillips “I”; and Mayor Templin “I”. Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Recognize Citizens, Guests, and Visitors**

None

**Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Templin recognized Police Chief James Shetterly, Jr on his retirement with Resolution 590, A Resolution Recognizing James Shetterly, Jr., Police Chief, Upon His Retirement After More than 36 Years of Service to the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee. Vice-Mayor Mack Bunch made the motion to approve Resolution 590, A Resolution Recognizing James Shetterly, Jr., Police Chief, Upon His Retirement After More than 36 Years of Service to the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gilliam. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam “I”; Mack Bunch “I”; Stacy Phillips “I”; and Mayor Templin “I”. Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Mayor Templin presented James Shetterly, Jr with a retirement plaque from the City of Rocky Top.

**Old/Unfinished Business**

None

## **New Business**

Councilperson Jeff Gilliam made a motion to approve Resolution 589, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Rocky Top to Participate in the Pool's Property Conservation Matching Grant Program, seconded by Vice-Mayor Mack Bunch. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam "I"; Mack Bunch "I"; Stacy Phillips "I"; and Mayor Templin "I". Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilperson Stacy Phillips made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 577, An Ordinance of the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee Amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget, Passed by Ordinance 574, seconded by Vice-Mayor Mack Bunch. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam "I"; Mack Bunch "I"; Stacy Phillips "I"; and Mayor Templin "I". Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilperson Stacy Phillips made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 578, An Ordinance of the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee Amending the Rocky Top Municipal Code Title 15, Chapter 8, Entitled Roadblocks, Parades, Foot or Bicycle Races Assemblies or Other Events, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gilliam. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam "I"; Mack Bunch "I"; Stacy Phillips "I"; and Mayor Templin "I". Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Vice-Mayor Mack Bunch made a motion to approve roadblock fundraisers for Amy Jones, organizer of Christmas for Rocky Top Kids, for October 14, 2023 from 9:00am to 12:00pm, with a rain date of October 21, 2023. Also, November 4, 2023 from 9:00am to 12:00pm, with a rain date of November 11, 2023, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Phillips. Mayor Templin called for roll call: Jeff Gilliam "No"; Mack Bunch "I"; Stacy Phillips "I"; and Mayor Templin "I". Councilperson Zack Green was absent. Motion carried with Councilperson Jeff Gilliam opposing.

## **General Government**

September sewer adjustments were \$422.00. September water loss was 27.279%.

## **Committee Reports**

Water Department Report  
Public Works Report  
Fire Department Report  
Police Department Report

## **City Manager Report**

The water and sewer budget has been approved by the Comptroller's Office. The SRF loans have been formally approved by the TLDA Board. Jacob with Cannon & Cannon has submitted plans and specs to the state for the sewer rehab project for final approval. We are getting quotes for the belt polymer mixing system for the sewer plant. We have delivered the pamphlets for the grease traps to the businesses in town that cook. We will start inspections the first of October. Fall clean-up will be during the month of October. The first and third Wednesday for the South end and the second and fourth Wednesday for the North end. Mike Ellis wanted to thank Danny Phillips and David Davis for the upgrades in the Board Room. Trunk or Treat will be October 27, 2023, from 5:00pm-8:00pm.

## **Public Comment**

None

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilperson Jeff Gilliam, seconded by Councilperson Stacy Phillips. The meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.

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Kerry Templin, Mayor

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Amanda Daugherty, City Recorder