

**City of Rocky Top Council Meeting
March 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm**

The City Council of Rocky Top, Tennessee met at City Hall at 6:00 pm on March 20, 2025, for the regularly scheduled City Council meeting with Mayor Kerry Templin presiding. Upon roll call the following answered present:

Jeff Gilliam Keith Daniels Richard Duff Kerry Templin
Mack Bunch was absent.

Invocation

Councilman Keith Daniels opened the meeting with prayer.
Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2025 City Council Meeting, seconded by Councilman Keith Daniels. Motion carried.

Recognize Citizens, Guests, and Visitors

None

Mayor's Report

Mayor Templin spoke with State Representative Ed Butler regarding the two resolutions renaming bridges for the two KIAs will be voted on in May. Debbie Shaw must resign from the library board due to health reasons. Mayor Templin would like to appoint Christina Duff as the Rocky Top representative. Mayor Templin made a motion to appoint Christina Duff to the library board, seconded by Keith Daniels seconded. Richard Duff abstained. Motion carried. Mayor Templin made a motion to appoint Anthony Braden for Floodplain Administrator, seconded by Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Planning Commission – Meeting March 18, 2025. Elected Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary. The Planning Commission approved Joe Tackett to put a structure on Norris Freeway. The Planning Commission worked on tweaking the tiny home wording and received training from Planner Harold Edwards.

Recreation Committee – Meeting March 20, 2025. The Recreation Committee discussed changing committee members from seven to five members. Appointed new officers: Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary. Tim Hatmaker and Nicole White have been appointed for 2 years.

City Manager Report

The sewer project is 86% complete. Spring Clean Up will be extended until April 11, 2025; pick up every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. TOSHA came and we received two findings: one at City Hall and one at the Fire Department. Letters are being sent out for commercial water/sewer insurance. The commercial insurance will go into effect June 1, 2025. The Arbor Day celebration is March 28, 2025 at the Rocky Top Library at 11:00 am. The Capital Outlay Note for 225 S Main Street will go through Tennessee Municipal Bond at 5.31% for 12 years. Budget workshop scheduled for Monday, April 7 at 4:00 pm.

General Government Report

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>
Barbara Ruth Seibers	404 Fourth Street	Leak	\$50.49
Total Sewer Adjustments			\$50.49

Sewer adjustments are \$50.49. This leak happened in January, before the insurance went into effect. Councilman Keith Daniels made a motion to approve the sewer adjustments, seconded by Councilman Richard Duff. Motion carried.

Monthly water loss was 55.601%, with in-house usage 42.912%.

Police Report –Officer Dustin Henderson graduated from the academy on March 13. Dustin Hensley resigned to go to Roane County Sheriff’s Department.

Fire Report – 52 calls for the month.

Public Works Report – Normal monthly operations.

Water/Sewer Report – Normal monthly operations.

Financial Analysis Report – The Drug fund has \$1,053.00; they have spent \$350.00. The Street Aid fund revenue is around 51%, and expenses are around 66%. The General Fund revenue is around 69%, and expenses are around 65%. The Water Fund revenue is around 70%, expenditures are at 78%.

Ordinances and Resolutions

First Reading of Ordinance 603, An Ordinance of the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee Amending the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget, Passed by Ordinance Number 585. Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 603, seconded by Councilman Keith Daniels. Motion carried.

First Reading of Ordinance 604, An Ordinance Amending the “Zoning Ordinance of City of Rocky Top, Tennessee” by Amending Article VII, Provisions Governing Use Districts, Section 704.1 to Add Single Family Dwelling as a Permitted Use. Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 604, seconded by Mayor Kerry Templin. Motion carried.

Second Reading of Ordinance 600, An Ordinance to Update Title 13 of the City of Rocky Top’s Municipal Code Adopting the Slum Clearance and Redevelopment Act. Councilman Keith Daniels made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 600, seconded by Councilman Richard Duff. Motion carried.

Second Reading of Ordinance 601, An Ordinance to Amend the Rocky Top Municipal Code Title 2 – Boards and Committees, Etc., Chapter 1 Parks and Recreation Committee. Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 601, seconded by Councilman Keith Daniels. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

The Boys and Girls Club are requesting to demolish the building at 310 Sixth Street. Mayor Kerry Templin made a motion to approve the Boys and Girls Club to demolish the building at 310 Sixth Street, seconded by Councilman Keith Daniels. Motion carried.

Morgan Contracting is requesting an extension on the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project due to unforeseen delays caused by TDOT, weather, bypassing, and pump station issues. They are asking for 21 calendar days. Mayor Kerry Templin made a motion to grant the extension of 21 calendar days to Morgan Contracting, seconded by Councilman Richard Duff. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vice-Mayor Jeff Gilliam. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.

Kerry Templin, Mayor

Amanda Daugherty, City Recorder