

CITY OF ROCKY TOP COUNCIL MEETING
15th July 2021 at 6:00 PM

The City Council of the City of Rocky Top, Tennessee, met at City Hall at 6:00 p.m., on 15th July 2021, 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 Sharp opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approval of Minutes

The motion to approve the minutes for the 17th June 2021 Public Hearing and regularly scheduled meeting was made by Vice-Mayor Juston Job and was seconded by Councilman Zack Green. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Recognize Citizens, Guests and Visitors

None.

Mayor's Report

None.

Unfinished Business

Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of Rocky Top, Tennessee by Adding a Section Regulating Lighting on New Development, Setting Guidelines to Prevent Light Pollution and Hazards from Poor Lighting

A motion to approve was made by Vice-Mayor Job and seconded by Councilwoman Denise Casteel. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

New Business

Cannon & Cannon Contract

City Manager Michael Foster explained contract. The motion to approve was made by Vice-Mayor Job and seconded by Councilwoman Casteel. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map Ordinance of Rocky Top, Tennessee by Rezoning Parcel 008L B 008.00 (510 North Main Street) from R-1 (Low Density Residential District) and C-1 (General Commercial District) to C-1 (General Commercial District)

City Manager Foster explained that this change would make this property all Commercial instead of half commercial and half residential. The motion to approve was made by Mayor Sharp and seconded by Vice-Mayor Job. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

First Reading of an Ordinance to Rezone Parcel 008 028.01, 008 028.04, and 008 027.00 (Sharp Drive) from R-1 (Low Density Residential District) to C-2 (Tourist Commercial District)

City Manager Foster explained the re-zoning and showed the plan on the map. Mayor Sharp inquired about the width of the roadway and ability to turn large campers in that area. The motion to approve was made by Vice-Mayor Job and seconded by Councilwoman Casteel. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

A Public Hearing was set for 19th August 2021 at 5:45 p.m for both Rezoning Ordinances.

PEP Safety Grant Resolution

City Manager Foster advised that we apply for this every year. This year we would like to get new turnout gear for new employees and volunteers. This is a 50/50 grant. We would spend \$3,000.00 and get \$1,500.00 back. The motion to approve was made by Mayor Sharp and seconded by Vice-Mayor Job. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

General Government

Water Adjustments- \$3,763.55

City Manager Foster advised that PCUD had a large leak at a facility that they don't frequent. The motion to approve was made by Vice-Mayor Job and seconded by Councilwoman Casteel. Mayor Sharp abstained. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

City Manager Foster provided an update on the USDA Grant: the excavator is in; the trailer is being picked up today; the body cameras are in and operational for all Police Officers and our on-duty Fireman; the ventilation fans are here; and the asphalt recycler has arrived. The recommendation for the recycler is that we run new asphalt through it the first three times; they will come back to train our employees to use the recycling part after that. We will be using it next week to work on Jacksboro and 4th St. We are currently waiting on patrol cars and extrication equipment. We are waiting on paperwork to order the trash cans, and an estimated delivery date has been requested. The new firetruck is supposed to be in Knoxville, and the final inspection will occur soon. We had a great turn-out for the 4th of July. Dustin Leach worked really hard. The date on the bridge is forthcoming, as a water line has to be moved; PCUD is also going to have to bore, so we are hoping to share the costs.

Committee Reports

Downtown Growth Committee- None.

Tree Committee- None.

Planning Commission Next week.

Recreation Committee- No quorum.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Timothy Sharp, Mayor

Kari Bates, City Recorder