BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

REGULAR MEETING

February 8, 2021

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA) met in Regular Session on Monday, February 8, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., at Town Hall, 123 Boone Street, Jonesborough, TN.

Mayor Chuck Vest called the meeting to order. Adam Dickson led the group in an opening Prayer, and Cameo Waters led the pledge to the Flag.

Upon call of the roll those present were: Mayor Chuck Vest, Alderman Stephen Callahan, Alderman Virginia Causey, Alderman Terry Countermine, and Alderman Adam Dickson. Also present were: Town Administrator Glenn Rosenoff, Town Recorder Abbey Miller, Operations Manager Craig Ford, and Town Attorney Jim Wheeler.

The next item was the Consent Agenda. Mayor Vest asked if there were any items that the Aldermen wished to have pulled from the Consent Agenda. There were none. Alderman Countermine made the motion, seconded by Alderman Dickson, and duly passed to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. Approve the minutes for the, December 16, 2020, and January 11, 2021, BMA meetings.
- 2. Approve the following bills for payment:

VENDOR	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>WATER</u>	SANITATION
97867-97965 AP 97966-97997 AP 97998-98018 AP 98019-98032 AP 98033-98093 AP 98094-98123 AP 98124-98146 AP 98147-98155 AP	116,438.33 24,728.67 48,161.29 68,724.12 124,664.86 133,601.80 10,010.41 5,447.23 531,776.71		
61703-61776 AP 61777-61787 AP 61788-61797 AP 61798-61802 AP 61803-61845 AP 61846-61857 AP		233,623.96 8,788.60 5,620.35 84,082.87 129,003.09 13,156.69	

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>	WATER	<u>SANITATION</u>
61858-61866 AP 61867-61868 AP		5,925.62 2,842.50 483,043.78	
9060-9079 AP 9080-9081 AP 9082-9085 AP 9086-9087 AP 9088-9104 AP			23,862.37 437.71 2,345.16 3,556.25 15,153.78
9105-9106 AP 9107-9108 AP			371.67 16,34.95 47,361.89

3. Approve the following Operations Manager Report:

We were finally able to get Centurylink to move and replace their two poles on West College. There were two power service lines to an abandoned house. Brightridge has removed those lines. We will now be able to move forward with this project.

The Street Department has been able to do some work in removing the large stumps, which will finally allow them to finish the grade work and make this area much safer for those motorists exiting Anderson Road. When we can get a few days of dry weather, I am hoping we can complete this project rather quickly.

The materials for the bridge at Mill Springs Park finally came in. We will begin replacing this bridge when we are unable to work on other projects due to wet weather.

I am continuing to work with Kevin Brobeck on water line projects in town and in the county. We are continuing to work with the county on the Taylor Road project and I think we are getting close to bringing a proposal to the Board of Mayor and Alderman and the County Commission.

One of the sticking points has been material. The county would like for the town to use PVC pipe on this project and we have held that we will not utilize any material other than ductile iron. I am of the opinion that the town should adopt a policy that the only material we use in our system is ductile iron.

This Taylor bridge project in particular has a tremendous amount of rock that will wear on the PVC pipe. In addition, our pressures in that area are higher than the rated PSI for PVC pipe. We would be constantly working on repairing that line if PVC was used.

I have been involved with numerous meetings with the contractor on the JRT project. He is moving quickly. The interior demolition is complete, he has the "rough-in" plumbing completed downstairs, the concrete floor is poured and he already has most of the interior walls in place.

As you are aware, we also had a meeting with the architect, the structural engineer, and the State Fire Marshall regarding the overall project. This meeting went well and I think everyone is finally on the same page with the entirety of this project.

I also met with GRC Construction regarding a problem with the stucco on the front of the Jackson Theater. There were some concerns expressed about cracking with the new application. GRC was requesting the utilization of expansion joints, of which I was not in favor of.

Upon meeting with GRC, the stucco sub-contractor and an expert in stucco materials, it was determined that expansion joints would not be needed, so long as the correct methods were used to complete the install. We agreed to this with no expansion joints.

I have also been working with Malcolm on revised figures for three different options for the dog park. I hope to have this finished within the next week in order that we may move ahead with a workshop with the BMA. It is my understanding that the Boyd Foundation would probably not have a big problem with moving the site.

Finally, I have worked with Chief Fritts on the aftermath of the Hexpol fire which occurred on January 07. All of our staff did an outstanding job in responding to this disaster and working together. We have experienced a significant loss in equipment in the Fire Department and we are addressing this as quickly as possible.

- 4. Approve the following Committee Reports: Historic Zoning Commission, Jonesborough Board of Zoning Appeals, and Jonesborough Planning Commission.
- Approve the following Supervisor Reports: Events Coordinator, Parks and Recreation, Visitor Center and Facilities Rental Manager, Police Department, Building Inspector, Solid Waste and Recycling, McKinney Center, MBM Program Outreach Director, Water Treatment Plant, Animal Control, Street Department, Water Distribution, and Environmental Services/Wastewater.
- 6. Accept the retirement of Lorena Cradduck as Assistant to the Recorder and Operations Manager in the Water Administration Office with the effective date of June 25, 2021.

- 7. Approve the appointment of Benjamin Zeigler as a Public Safety Officer in the Police Department at Grade 10, Step 1 (\$33,067), subject to meeting all preemployment requirements including WorkSteps.
- 8. Approve the appointment of Delbert Clark as a Water Worker I in the Water Distribution Department at Grade 1, Step 1 (\$21,315), subject to meeting all preemployment requirements including WorkSteps.
- 9. Approve the appointment of Shane Armstrong as a Water Worker I in the Water Distribution Department at Grade 1, Step 1 (\$21,315), subject to meeting all preemployment requirements including WorkSteps.
- 10. Acknowledgement of State Form CT-0253 Debt Obligation Report, General Obligation Bond Anticipation Note, Series 2021, in the amount of \$30,250,000 related to Interim Financing for the Jonesborough K-8 School Project.
- 11.
- 12. Approve Change Order No. JRT-001, Quad City Builders, for labor for the concrete floor, wall demolition, and plumbing "rough-in" at the JRT, for an additional cost of \$8,312.00.

The next item on the agenda was the Resolution Establishing the Ernest L. McKinney Scholarship Fund as part of the Mary B. Martin Program for the Arts at the McKinney Center. Mayor Vest said Marion McKinney and family want to establish a needs-based scholarship for classes at the McKinney Center. Mayor Vest asked the McKinney family to come forward, and he then read the Resolution. Mr. Ernest McKinney, Jr. said on behalf of the McKinney family that they are making the first donation to the scholarship fund in the amount of \$1,100, for elementary school children in grades kindergarten through eighth grade to be able to participate in classes at the McKinney Center. Mayor Vest thanked the McKinney family for their donation to the scholarship fund and for their valuable services to the Town for many years. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any comments. Alderman Dickson said Ms. Marion McKinney is a jewel, and if anyone hasn't had the opportunity to meet her, he would encourage them to take the opportunity to do so. He said Dr. McKinney and Ms. McKinney have been supporters of his and have helped shape his life over the years. Alderman Dickson said he is honored to be standing on their shoulders. He said this fund will help a lot of people at the McKinney Center, and it is good the see the McKinney legacy continuing in this fashion. Mayor Vest called for a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Alderman Dickson made the motion to approve the Resolution Establishing the Ernest L. McKinney Scholarship Fund for the McKinney Center, seconded by Alderman Causey, and duly passed.

INSERT RESOLUTION

The next item on the agenda was the approval of the Financial Report. Mayor Vest said the financial report looks solid and sales tax collections are still strong with a 30% increase in November over the previous year. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if

they had any comments. There being none, Alderman Callahan made the motion to approve the Financial Report as presented, seconded by Alderman Causey, and duly passed.

Communications from the Mayor was the next item on the agenda. Mayor Vest acknowledged a thank you from Tammy Cloyd expressing her appreciation to Police Sgt. Chad Reece for assisting her in getting her flat tire changed on a very cold January day. Ms. Cloyd said Sgt. Reece and the Dispatcher on duty were very professional, and she is very grateful for their assistance. Mayor Vest said he had received an email from a Ms. Rachel Faulkner expressing her thanks and appreciation for the Street Department crew who were working under the bridge just past Dillow-Taylor Funeral Home on Hwy-81. Ms. Faulkner stated the workers not only stopped what they were doing to pay their respect for her uncle's funeral procession but also took their hats off and held them over their hearts, and that their respectfulness was deeply appreciated by her entire family.

Mayor Vest announced that Ruth Verhegge had received the Governor's Volunteer Star Award from Washington County, commending her outstanding record of dedication and selfless service to others. He said that Ms. Verhegge has served on the Historic Zoning Commission since 2003, has been instrumental in the Flag Committee raising funds to purchase and maintain the flags for downtown, and began the Paws in Blue Program which raises money to purchase K-9 dogs for the Police Department. Mayor Vest congratulated Ruth Verhegge for this prestigious award.

The next item under Mayor Communications was appointments to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. Mayor Vest said the recommendation is to reappointment Dr. Jason Davis, Mark Merriman and Jim Rhein, and he concurs with Recreation Director Matt Townsend's recommendation. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any comments. There being none, Alderman Callahan made the motion to re-appoint Dr. Jason Davis – term ending December 2025, Mark Merriman – term ending March 2026, and Jim Rhein – term ending March 2026, to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. The motion was seconded by Alderman Countermine, and duly passed.

Mayor Vest asked Victoria Stamper, Miss Historic Jonesborough 2021, to come forward and he read the following Proclamation. Mayor Vest presented Ms. Stamper with the Proclamation and a Key to the City, and asked her if she had any comments. Ms. Stamper said she is so very excited to represent Historic Jonesborough at the Miss Tennessee pageant and expressed her thanks to everyone for their support.

INSERT PROCLAMATION

Mayor Vest asked Fire Sergeant Jesse Rice to come forward to accept the Employee of the Month Award. Mayor Vest read the following:

On January 7, 2021, at 1:51 AM, the Jonesborough Fire Department was dispatched on a Business Fire Alarm at Hexpol Compounding, at 260 Old State Route

34. Engine 103 quickly left the station with Sergeant Jesse Rice behind the wheel. As Sgt. Rice was responding, Fire Dispatch advised that the call was no longer a simple alarm, but there had been an explosion that had caused injuries, and the building was actively on fire. Learning the new information, Sgt. Rice began to work on a plan to attack the fire even before arriving on site. When Sgt. Rice arrived, there were visible flames shooting from the top of the building and one employee in the parking lot with Sgt. Rice assumed Fire Command and quickly made sure Plant severe injuries. Management could account for all employees. He then immediately began to request manpower from other agencies to tackle the enormous fire. Within 10 minutes of the initial alarm, he had fire fighters and fire apparatus in-route. A couple of hours into the incident, it was determined that the Municipal Water Supply wouldn't be enough to fight A Tanker Request Page was sent out to surrounding counties, and they the blaze. started to respond immediately. At one point during the fire attack, Sgt. Rice was responsible for commanding 26 tanker truckers and fire fighters from 37 agencies. Sergeant Rice's knowledge, leadership, and calmness under pressure resulted in a successful fire attack with minimal injury. The scope of this incident is larger than most fire fighters will ever see. The Town of Jonesborough is blessed to be protected by such professional fire fighters and leadership like that of Sergeant Jesse Rice. This being said, it is my honor to nominate Sergeant Jesse Rice for Town of Jonesborough Employee of the Month for February, 2021. Submitted by: Phil Fritts, Fire Chief

Mayor Vest said it was a very heroic night for our firefighters, and it is certainly very much appreciated. Mayor Vest asked Sgt. Rice if he had any comments about that night. Jesse Rice thanked everyone that was at the fire that night. He said many people made mention of our Town services and how everybody worked together. Sgt. Rice said Town employees ran back and forth during the fire filling the fire engines with 7,000 gallons of diesel fuel while they were working. He said fire departments as far away as Hamblen County made mention of how our city service employees worked together and that they had never seen that before. Sgt. Rice said he just wanted to thank everyone that helped.

Alderman Communications was the next item on the agenda. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any comments. There were none.

Town Attorney Comments was the next item on the agenda. Attorney Wheeler reported that he had a busy month with Town projects. He said he reviewed more bond documents than he ever has in the last 20 years as Town Attorney. Mr. Wheeler said the Town has done a fantastic job taking advantage of interest rates on both the existing debt and the new debt with the school project.

Citizens Comments was the next item on the Agenda. Mayor Vest asked if there were any citizens who would like to address the Board. There were none.

The first item under New Business was first reading of an Ordinance to annex certain property located on North Cherokee Street into the present corporate boundaries of the Town of Jonesborough and zone the property R-1 (Low Density

Residential). Mayor Vest said this is basically the property where the new Jonesborough K-8 school will be built. He said part of the land the Town purchased was inside the city limits and part of it was outside, and this will grow the Town boundaries and bring it all together since the Town owns the property. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any comments. There being none, the motion was made by Alderman Dickson to approve on first reading an Ordinance annexing 16.11 acres on North Cherokee Street, being a part of Parcel 11.00, Washington County Tax Map 52, into Jonesborough's corporate limits. The motion was seconded by Callahan, and duly passed.

INSERT ORDINANCE

The next item was to approve the zoning of the 16.11 acres on North Cherokee Street, being a part of Parcel 11.00, Washington County Tax Map 52, as R-1 (Low Density Residential) upon annexation. Alderman Causey made the motion to zone the 16.11 acres on North Cherokee Street as R-1 (Low Density Residential) upon annexation, seconded by Alderman Countermine, and duly passed.

The next item on the agenda was first reading of an Ordinance to annex certain property located on Old Boones Creek Road into the present corporate boundaries of the Town of Jonesborough, upon request by property owners T&N Properties GP. Mayor Vest said he supports this annexation, and the owners are asking that the property be rezoned PRD (Planned Residential District). He said he has been in discussions with the Town Administrator about making revisions to the PRD zone because we have had parking on the street issues come up in some places, and we have been discussing revising some things to prevent that. Mayor Vest said he wanted to note that if the PRD zoning is approved tonight on the annexation that the PRD zone will most likely be revised at the next Jonesborough Planning Commission meeting and the BMA at some point. Mayor Vest asked the Town Administrator for his comments regarding the PRD zone. Glenn Rosenoff said he has discussed the PRD issues with Mr. Gene Tuemler, owner of the property being considered for annexation, concerning parking issues experienced in the past. Mr. Rosenoff said the Planning Commission will be reviewing and considering that on-street parking not be permitted in the PRD zone, that a comprehensive parking plan be submitted as part of the site development plan, that two spaces per unit shall be provided on each subject parcel, and one space per unit shall be provided in a common parking lot being in close proximity to the residential structures, and that it serves as indicated for visitor and/or resident parking. He said this may be further protected through a development like a homeowner's association. Mr. Rosenoff said the depth of all parking spaces shall be a minimum of 20 feet and shall be shown on a parking plan; the depth must be adequate so that the vehicles will be self-contained within said space and that vehicles will not obstruct or encroach onto the pavement, public or private road, or any sidewalk. He said the issues we have had in the PRD's weren't all related to parking; some of it was the density and some was the driveways not being deep enough to contain the vehicles. Mr. Rosenoff said these are the elements that he has discussed with Mr. Tuemler, and he said he has experienced some of the parking issues in other places in these types of developments. He said Mr.

Tuemler is very much in favor of meeting those requirements. Mr. Rosenoff said he just wanted to make it clear that we cannot put these conditions on the annexation or the zoning at this time, and that Mr. Tuemler is very much aware that the revisions will be considered by the Planning Commission and then come back to the Board at its next meeting. He said the rezoning of the 28.4 acres is for a projected 106 lots, with a tremendous amount of open space. Mr. Rosenoff said the infrastructure was reviewed by the Water and Sewer Departments and there are no issues with either one for future development. He said he did include in the Plan of Services in a little more detail that it is up to the developer at the time of annexation to bring back its development plan to planning staff and engineer; also storm water and anything like that will be considered as well. Mr. Rosenoff said we already have some sensitive areas that have some storm water issues, so a comprehensive storm water plan will be looked at as well in the future. He said the Planning Commission is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, February 16th, and at that time they will review the plan of services, the annexation, and a draft version of the PRD revisions which they already have, and he will be attending the meeting to present the PRD issues. Mayor Vest said he feels that the Board's preference has always been PRD because it is really about a higher quality project. He said that he feels that some of the revisions being discussed make the developments even better than what they have been in the past. Glenn Rosenoff said that in the future one thing to look at is the impact of vehicles not only within the common development but also on our residential streets, and he will be doing projections on average daily traffic counts using planning and engineer calculations to get an estimate on single family versus duplex, 2-family or multi-family developments, and commercial and industrial developments as well. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any questions for Glenn. Alderman Causey asked if the Board approves this PRD zoning tonight and then we make changes to the PRD zone, can we legally bind the developer to the new changes, or should we wait. Attorney Wheeler said the annexation ordinance has to be voted on a second time before it will be effective. Mr. Wheeler said he recommends that the Board not take a separate vote on the zoning tonight because that only has to be passed on one reading, and he suggested waiting until the second reading of the annexation ordinance to do that and then make a decision whether you are ready to zone the property PRD or whether it needs to be zoned something else. He said the Ordinance is fine, but you can always change it on second reading, but he recommends not taking the separate vote on the zoning tonight. Alderman Causey asked if Section 4 in the Ordinance needs to be taken out. Attorney Wheeler said it is okay in the Ordinance, but he does not want the Board to take a separate vote on the zoning tonight because it is a resolution that only has to be passed on one reading, and it can be handled upon second reading of the annexation ordinance. Mayor Vest said the recommendation is to approve the annexation of 28.4 acres requested and owned by T&N Properties GP as described as Parcel 99.00 on Washington County Tax Map 52 on first reading and approve the Plan of Services. Attorney Wheeler said the Plan of Services is a one-time vote, but it doesn't hurt anything to go ahead and pass it now because if it gets amended, the Board can pass it again a second time. Mayor Vest asked if there were any other questions. There being none, Alderman Callahan made the motion to approve on first reading an Ordinance annexing 28.4 acres on Old Boones Creek as requested by property owners T&N Properties GP, being Parcel

99.00, Washington County Tax Map 52, and the Plan of Services as presented, seconded by Alderman Dickson, and duly passed.

INSERT ORDINANCE & PLAN OF SERVICES

The next item was to approve the zoning for the 28.4 acres of property located along Old Boones Creek Road upon annexation to PRD (Planned Residential Development). This item was postponed.

The next item for discussion was approval of a Preventative Maintenance Mechanic position for the Fleet Maintenance Department. Mayor Vest asked Operations Manager Craig Ford to present this item. Craig Ford said currently the salaries and related expenses for the garage are \$316,652 with 66% of the funding coming from the Water/Sewer Fund and 34% coming from the General Fund. Mr. Ford said we have 219 vehicles currently in our fleet and certainly more than half of those vehicles are in the Water/Sewer Fund. He said one thing we need to do is a much better job of preventative maintenance because that is the life of any vehicle, especially the heavy equipment. Mr. Ford said basically right now we have two mechanics trying to keep a fleet of 219 vehicles on the road which includes anything from fire trucks to police cruisers to track-hoes to garbage trucks to regular passenger vehicles, which is a very tall order to fill. He said this position was discussed during the FY20-21 budget process and that it would be brought back to the Board to review this requested position at mid-year, and that is why it is back before the Board tonight. Mr. Ford said it is difficult to have two mechanics trying to keep a fleet of 219 vehicles on the road, much less have any kind of meaningful preventative maintenance program, and that is why he is recommending this position of an additional mechanic if the funding can be found. Mayor Vest said he agrees that caring for the vehicles makes them last longer and that is something the Town has always done and preventative maintenance is how you get there. He said as we grow as a town, he feels that two mechanics are less than we would have had a few years ago, and we certainly need to look at that. Alderman Countermine said he feels it is a good point that we have to be aware that as we are growing, we need more staff to keep things going the way we need them to, and this is one example. Alderman Causey said she thinks this is a great move, but the funding should come out of just the General Fund and Water/Sewer Fund since Solid Waste is Alderman Causey made the motion to approve the additional already in the red. Preventative Maintenance Mechanic position for the Fleet Maintenance Department with funding coming through the General Fund and Water/Sewer Fund, subject to available funding. Alderman Countermine seconded the motion. Alderman Countermine said he would like to hear the Town Administrator's thoughts on this. Glenn Rosenoff said the level of service on these 219 vehicles is supported by the testimony of citizens and others about our officers or street crew all over the different areas in Town working on projects that we are not idol and that means we are putting a whole lot of time and effort into our vehicles. He said staff will find the money to fund the position and hopefully by the next BMA meeting we will have a candidate for the BMA to approve. There being no further discussion, Mayor Vest called for the vote, and the motion was duly passed.

The next item for discussion was approval of a bid for a pool liner for the Wetlands Water Park. Mayor Vest said this is another maintenance item we have to take care of, and it has been many years ago since we replaced that liner. He said it appears that we have received a pretty good bid on the pool liner. Mayor Vest asked the Operations Manager for his comments. Craig Ford said during the FY20-21 budget discussions we talked about a Capital Outlay Note to finance different projects throughout the Town that we have not been able to do for several years. Mr. Ford said also at that time we talked about the need for the pool liner being replaced before the 2021 Wetlands season. He said that Town Recorder Abbey went back and checked, and the last time the Town financed improvements at the Wetlands facility was through a five-year capital outlay note. Mr. Ford said he discussed that in length with Ms. Miller, and she feels a five-year capital outlay note could be done. He said he asked during the last budget process for Matt Townsend to look at improvements that needed to be done at Wetlands. Mr. Ford said Matt Townsend felt like that everything else that needs to be done at Wetlands before we open for this upcoming season could be handled inhouse other than this liner. Mr. Ford said we are competing with other facilities now in upper East Tennessee, and even though we had a limited opening last season, one slide remained closed because of the condition of the liner. He said he really feels this is something that we need to do before we open this year and hopefully have a much better season than we did last year. Mayor Vest said certainly a large tear in a liner can cost the Town money later on. He asked Glenn Rosenoff if he had any comments. Mr. Rosenoff said Abbey Miller ran some five-year projections based on a 2.22% interest rate, which yields \$35,000 per year in debt service, and agrees that the five years is very doable. He said that we are looking at the refunding of some of the Town's debt and will know in a couple of days about the market and where the interest rates are. Mr. Rosenoff said if the interest rate is not in the 2.22% ballpark, he will report that back to the Board. He said if we take out a Capital Outlay Note, we will have to come back to the Board for approval of a resolution for issuance of debt. Abbey Miller said she would like to point out that we are putting aside \$10,000 a month for future debt service, and the reserve is pretty healthy already, so we will have the money set aside for this debt service when it comes due. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any further comments. There being none, Alderman Countermine made a motion to approve the low bid from Renosys Corporation in the amount of \$164,695.00 for the purchase of a new pool line for Wetlands Water Park and to finance the purchase through a 5-year Capital Outlay Note and seconded by Alderman Callahan. Mayor Vest asked if there were any further questions. Attorney Wheeler said we have had several problems with liners in the past that he has had to get involved in with. He said, that if he recalls correctly, that what we have been able to hang our hats on is language that was in our bid specifications about the warranty, and he does not see that in these bid specifications. Mr. Wheeler said there is warranty language in the bid from Renosys. He said that the thing that that saved us before is that we had some specific language that all costs regarding repairs would be included or something similar to that effect. He said he wasn't sure if language was taken out this time when it was bid or if we came up with the wording from scratch. Mr. Wheeler said to move this forward and to be able to still look at that, if we could make the Board's approval subject to the Town Attorney's

review and approval of the warranty as stated in the bid from Renosys. Alderman Countermine modified his motion to add approval subject to the Town Attorney's review and approval of the warranty as stated in the bid from Renosys. Mayor Vest asked Alderman Callahan if he agreed with the modification to the motion. Alderman Callahan said he did. Mayor Vest asked if there was any further discussion. There being none, he called for the vote, and the motion was duly passed.

The next item for discussion was the Jonesborough Little League Baseball 2021 Mayor Vest said it was great to have one of our own, Police Major Jamie season. Aistrop, leading the Little League this season, and appreciated Major Aistrop in his working with the youth in our area. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any questions or comments. There were none. Town Administrator Glenn Rosenoff said that Matt Townsend did a great job in communications with the Jonesborough Little League in regards to COVID-19 virus restrictions. Mr. Rosenoff said even though the numbers are looking better regarding transmission rates, we are still using good mitigation strategies for COVID during sporting events. He said Operations Manager Craig Ford had a great idea as far as the removal of the bleachers which helps keep spectators from congregating. Mr. Rosenoff said it took a lot of great work from Matt Townsend, Craig Ford and Little League thinking through on how to have a healthy Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any comments or questions. season. There being none, Alderman Causey made the motion to approve the staff recommendation to (1) Allow Jonesborough Little League to proceed with the entire 2021 season. (2) Remove bleachers for the entire 2021 season, and (3) Jonesborough Little League be responsible for enforcement of COVID-19 protocols while utilizing Town parks, and subject to Proof of Insurance. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dickson, and duly passed.

Mayor Vest said the next item on the agenda was the website and marketing update and presentation by Cameo Water, Director of Tourism and Main Street, and staff. Cameo Waters said this is the first official day of the launch of the new website. Ms. Waters said this has been a really big team project, especially for our Website Manager Terry Alexander. She said the team from Net 360 with 6 Rivers Media was a tremendous help in working with staff in making this happen. Ms. Waters said one of the biggest goals was to make the Town's website more user friendly for residents and potential residents. She said the navigation has changed a little bit to make it simpler as well as it being more mobile friendly. She said they also wanted to make sure the website was more welcoming to everyone. Ms. Waters and staff presented their report to the Board on the Board Room monitors and reviewed each aspect of the new website. Ms. Waters then gave an update to the Board on the Town's marketing efforts.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned.

ABBEY MILLER, RECORDER

CHUCK VEST, MAYOR