CITY OF KNOXVILLE

Public Hearing and Regular Council Meeting

Council Chambers, Knoxville City Hall Annex, 33 N Public Sq, Knoxville IL

Monday, August 3, 2026, 7:00 PM

Call to Order: Mayor Myers called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call: Present: Alderman Eiker, Goff, Hillier, Hope, Moore, Rainey, Reed, and Taylor; Mayor Myers, Treasurer Barnum, Attorney McCoy, Chief of Police Poyner, and City Clerk Kirchgessner. **Absent:** N/A
Also present: Mr. Tim Eagle and City Collector Tuthill
Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: Alderman **Eiker moved** to approve the Minutes of the July 20, 2026, City Council Meeting. Alderman **Hillier seconded** the motion which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent.

GENERAL REPORTS

Attorney Report: Attorney McCoy investigated the library tax levy, finding only a $300.00 deficit. Attorney McCoy stated that we are currently collecting $42,000 and could be collecting $60,000 in the tax levy. Attorney McCoy made the Council aware that the levy could be changed in December. Attorney McCoy is also looking into the solicitors Ordinace and will likely have suggestions soon.
Engineer Report: No report.
Treasurer's Report: No report.
City Clerk's Report: City Clerk Kirchgessner reported that the appropriation was refiled with minor corrections.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Knoxville Car Show:** Mr. Tim Eagle presented the Council with a current flyer of the Car Show to pass. The Car show registration will begin at 12:00 pm on Saturday, August 22, 2026. The car show committee is requesting the City to make the same donation as they have in prior years ($1,000.00). Alderman **Hillier moved** to approve the donation of $1,000.00 to the Knoxville Car Show. Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion which **passed** with eight (8) yes votes.
3. **Water, Sewer, and Sanitation Accounts to be Consolidated Under a Single Utility Account Umbrella:** City Collector Tuthill explained the rationale to combining these accounts. Alderman **Moore moved** to approve consolidation of all utility account under one umbrella account. Alderman **Hillier seconded** the motion which **passed** with eight (8) yes votes.

4. **Historic Old Knox County Jail Porch Repairs.** Chief Poyner presented the council with the bid sheet received from The Carpenter Todd Kramer to replace the wood on the porch of the Old Jail. To replace the porch with wood, the bid was $9,520.00. Alderman **Hillier** moved to approve the bid submitted by The Carpenter Todd Kramer in the amount of $9,520.00. Alderman **Taylor seconded** the motion which **passed** with eight (8) yes votes.
5. **Sergeant Brandon Blake-Monthly Cell Phone Reimbursement.** Alderman **Hillier moved** to approve the $30.00 cell phone allowance for Sergeant Brandon Blake. Alderman **Taylor seconded** the motion which **passed** with eight (8) yes votes.
6. **Knoxville Scenic Drive-Dawn Hutchison.** Tabled until next meeting.
7. **Approval of Bid for Ordinance number 2026-11 - 1993 International 4000 Series Truck-** The City received 2 sealed bids for the truck with the winning bid being awarded to Jason Motz with a bid of $15,105.00. Alderman **Eiker moved** to accept the bid from Jason Motz for $15,105.00. Alderman **Hillier seconded** the motion which **passed** with eight (8) yes votes**.**

Mayor's Report:

- Phase 2 of the Downtown Streetscape project will not begin until next year.
- Bruner, Cooper, and Zuck are working on the logistics of Phase 2 of the Streetscape project.
- The next regularly scheduled Council Meeting will be on Monday, August 17, 2026, at 7:00 PM.

Committee Reports:

- **Administration:** No report.
- **Cemetery:** No report
- **Economic Development:** No report.
- **Parks:** No report
- **Police:** Heather Scwabe will not be seeking employment with the City of Knoxville as she will be looking for Full-time employment.
- **Sanitation:** No report.
- **Streets:** Alderman Eiker stated the 1982 Ford LN700 was sold for scrap to Jason Motz for $2,500.00.
- **Water/Sewer:** No report.

Adjourn: At 7:25 PM, Alderman **Goff moved** to Adjourn the Meeting; Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion, which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Barbara Kirchgessner, City Clerk