

**CITY OF KNOXVILLE**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
Knoxville Police Station, 215 N. Hebard St., Knoxville

**Monday, December 6, 2021, 7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

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

All rose to recite the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

**Roll Call: Present:** Aldermen Eiker, Gruner, Hillier, Hope, Howard, Moore, and Reed; Mayor Myers, Attorney McCoy, and City Clerk Wilt. **Absent:** Treasurer Barnum.

Also present: Mike Mudge with Rock River Energy Services.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:** Alderman **Howard moved** to approve the Minutes of the November 15, 2021 City Council Meeting as corrected. Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent and one abstention.

**GENERAL REPORTS**

**Attorney Report:** No report.

**Engineer Report:** No report.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report.

**City Clerk's Report:** Clerk Wilt thanked the Council for the Christmas Party and bonus. She stated that other employees wished to pass along their appreciation as well.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Electrical Aggregation Contract Renewal:** Mike Mudge from Rock River Energy presented bid sheets for the municipal aggregation, pumping, and street light suppliers. The municipal aggregation contract comes due in February 2022, and he suggests reverting back to Ameren from Homefield Energy for the best pricing. He will report back on all three contracts at a later time after watching price fluctuations.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **2022 Tax Levies:** By general consent, taxes will not be raised for 2022. An ordinance will be drafted for the December 20, 2021 Council meeting.
2. **Dog Fines:** Alderman Howard will research animal control fees in other communities, and bring results to the December 20, 2021 Council meeting.

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3. **New City Hall Use Policy:** A use policy is needed for the New City Hall building. By general consensus, the building will only be used for City business, and will not be rented out or used by outside parties. Attorney McCoy will prepare a policy for the December 20, 2021 Council meeting.

**Mayor's Report:**

- There are punch list items remaining for the new City Hall. The tile in the restrooms and break room is misaligned. The Council will visit the site as part of the December 20, 2021 Council meeting. The new Council table, made by Knoxville High School students, is almost completed.
- A note from Chief Poyner was circulated, thanking the Council for the Christmas bonus.
- The Public Library Board will meet on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Library.
- The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on Monday, December 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Police Station.

**Committee Reports**

- **Administration:** Alderman Gruner requested a later discussion of additional holiday recommendations for employees.
- **Cemetery:** No report.
- **Economic Development:** No report.
- **Parks:** No report.
- **Police:** Alderman Howard reported that the two pending suits against former police officers have now been resolved.
- **Sanitation:** No report.
- **Streets:** Alderman Eiker reported that the interchangeable backhoe batteries have been purchased.
- **Water/Sewer:** No report.

**Adjourn:** At 7:30 PM, Alderman **Hillier moved** to Adjourn the Meeting; Alderman **Eiker seconded** the motion, which **passed** by voice vote with no dissent. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Leslie Wilt  
City Clerk