

City of Ashville  
Council Meeting  
Monday, February 7, 2022  
6:00 PM

Mayor Derrick Mostella called the Council meeting to order at 6:00pm on Monday, February 7, 2022.

Mayor Derrick L. Mostella and Councilmembers Robin Bowlin, Edward Roscoe Lane, Sue Price, Shirley Smith and Denise Williams were present.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to approve the final meeting agenda. Councilmember Shirley Smith made a motion to approve the final meeting agenda; Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the council meeting on January 18, 2022. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve the minutes from the council meeting on January 18, 2022; Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Jess Alexander with Little Art Tree Studio was present. She is planning an Art Market for May 14 from 9am – 4pm which will include a farmers market, arts and craft booths, and food trucks

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to approve Change Order #11 for Library corner guards at the column in the stacks area \$367.54 from contingency funds. Councilmember Sue Price made a motion to approve Change Order #11 for Library corner guards at the column in the stacks area \$367.54 from contingency funds. Councilmember Shirley Smith seconded the motion, all Councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to allow the Mayor to enter into an agreement for fire alarm monitoring for the library in the amount of \$150.00/quarter. Councilmember Robin Bowlin made a motion to allow the Mayor to enter into an agreement for fire alarm monitoring for the library in the amount of \$150.00/quarter. Councilmember Denise Williams seconded the motion, all Councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to suspend the rules of order to consider Ordinance 2022-003 Amend Zoning Ordinance for AG & R1MH Districts. Councilmember Sue Price made a motion to suspend the rules of order to consider Ordinance 2022-003 Amend Zoning Ordinance for AG & R1MH Districts. Councilmember Denise Williams seconded the motion; In a roll call vote, Councilmember Shirley Smith voted yes, Councilmember Denise Williams voted yes, Councilmember Sue Price voted yes, Mayor Derrick Mostella voted yes, Councilmember Robin Bowlin voted yes, Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane voted yes, motion approved.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-003 Amend Zoning Ordinance for AG & R1MH Districts. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-003 Amend Zoning

Ordinance for AG & R1MH Districts. Councilmember Robin Bowlin seconded the motion; all councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to change the date of the next meeting from Monday, February 21, 2022 to Tuesday, February 22, 2022 due to the President's Day Holiday. Councilmember Denise Williams made a motion to change the date of the next meeting from Monday, February 21, 2022 to Tuesday, February 22, 2022 due to the President's Day Holiday. Councilmember Shirley Smith seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to amend the salary of the City Clerk to \$85,000.00. Councilmember Sue Price made a motion to amend the salary of the City Clerk to \$85,000.00. Councilmember Shirley Smith seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

City Attorney James Hill advised the council and public that it was his understanding that the Mayor and Council were considering going into an executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation. He further stated that there are certain requirements that must be met in order for the Mayor and Council to go into executive session. The purpose for the executive session must be one allowed under the code, which in this case was to discuss pending litigation. The public must be advised of the anticipated time that the Mayor and Council will remain in executive session, which in this case was approximately 20 minutes. The public must also be advised of the whether or not the Mayor and Council will reconvene the public meeting following the executive session and whether they anticipate taking any action when they return to the public meeting, which in this case the Mayor and Council anticipated returning to the regular public meeting, but not taking an action. The Mayor and Council were also informed that they would be provided a letter outlining these requirements and Attorney Hill's opinion that the issue to be discussed qualified for executive session under the code. Finally, the Mayor and Council were advised that if they desired to enter an executive session there must be a motion including the information required, a second to that motion, and roll call vote in the affirmative.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to enter into executive session based on the information outlined by the City's Attorney. Councilmember Shirley made a motion to enter into executive session based on the information outlined by the City's Attorney. Councilmember Denise Williams seconded the motion; Councilmember Shirley Smith votes yes, Councilmember Denise Williams votes yes, Councilmember Sue Price votes yes, Mayor Derrick Mostella votes yes, Councilmember Robin Bowlin votes yes, and Councilmember Edward Roscoe Lane votes yes; motion unanimously approved. The Council convened for executive session at 6:24pm and returned at 7:12pm.

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to approve paying the bills due. Councilmember Shirley Smith made a motion to approve paying the bills due. Councilmember Denise Williams seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes, motion approved.

Announcements:

- Library Father Daughter Dance – February 12
- ACE Assessment Meeting – February 15
- City Hall will be closed Monday, February 21, 2022 in observance of the President's Day Holiday

- The next City Council meeting will be Tuesday, February 22, 2022. Meeting begins at 6pm. Work Session begins at 5:30pm

Mayor Mostella asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Robin Bowlin made a motion to adjourn; Councilmember Denise Williams seconded the motion; all Councilmembers voted yes, motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

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Derrick Mostella, Mayor

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Chrystal St. John, City Clerk