



MEETING MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT: *(Public hearing for Property Sale (Harper/Old Shepards fund)*

The City Council reviewed visual materials (pictures/renderings) related to a proposed park project that would be fully funded by Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS). These materials were made available for public viewing, and members of the public were invited to attend the meeting to view the images and ask questions. However, no members of the public were in attendance during this portion of the meeting.

No comments on Harper/Old Shepards Fund pending property sale

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL BY THE RECORDER:

Mayor Boaz called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
Roll was called by the Recorder; Quorum established.

PRESENT:

Kevin Cagle
Madison Cagle
Marty Carrington
John Odle
Dale Reynolds
Linda Taylor

NOT PRESENT

Jimmy Lynn Walker – Vacant (In Memoriam)

VISITORS:

Lee Villaflor, City Administrator
Colleen Lawlor, City Recorder
Wes Woodward, Public Safety Dir.
Rick Wood, City Attorney
Danny Haynes, The Newsleader
Charles Taylor, Chamber/ECD
Lanisha Lomax, Parsons Library

READING OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS BY RECORDER, FOR APPROVAL OR CORRECTION:

Motion: Dale Reynolds to dispense with reading of and approve of previous meeting minutes

Second: Marty Carrington

Vote: Approved 6-0

APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS THRU JUNE 2025:

Motion: Madison Cagle

Second: Kevin Cagle

Vote: Approved 6-0

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COUNCILMEN, AND OTHER OFFICERS

A) COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

- a. Mayor Boaz welcomed everyone in attendance to the meeting.

B) COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILMEN:

- a. None



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C) COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER OFFICERS:

Lanisha Lomax, Parsons Library Board Chairperson, approached the council. She gave the council a recap of the 2025 Summer Reading Program that was held in June. We had on average 95 people (staff, volunteers and participants) who attended this program; it was our biggest one yet. Renovations are underway outside the library. One of the board members is painting the book drop box. A reveal will be later when it is complete. She also introduced the new Library Director Amber Lackey, as Ms. Kay Townsend retired as Director on May 29th. Ms. Kay will remain Director Emeritus until the end of December working in a voluntary capacity. The library board will host a retirement party for her this fall. Amber's first day as Director was today. She has vast knowledge of library management as she was most recently the Asst. Director of the Everett Horn Public Library in Lexington, Tennessee. She comes with a lot of new ideas and programs that will reach new census of people to the Parsons Library. The board is very excited to have her and knows the city council will too!

D) PROJECT UPDATES: Lee Villaflor gave an update on the current projects.

- a. ARP Sewer Project (Pipe Bursting): They are vacuum testing, and project is 99% completed.
 - i. Asphalt work (that is needed) was not included in original budget. Upon recommendation from TLM, Lee obtained the best and lowest price from Jason Wade Sealing to complete the re-paving on East Morgan St.
- b. ARP Water Plant Project (Drinking water): No new update
- c. TDOT (Multimodal Grant): No new update.
- d. 2024 CDBG (Passive Park): No new update.
- e. PHMSA Gas Grant: Three RFQ's to engineers have been sent out for this project, we only got one back. TLM is partnering with Clark Engineering that will be representing the city on this project.
- f. SRF - 4th St Lift Station: No new update
- g. FEMA (2019 Hazardous Mitigation) Generator Grant: No new update.
- h. USDA Truck grant: No new update.

NEW BUSINESS

- A) Approve Resolution No. 08042025-01: A resolution to authorize the application for the BlueCross Healthy Place Park application and designate a park name.
 - a. This proposed park will be built at the Carl W. Partin Park
 - b. Proposed name for this park will be: BlueCross Healthy Place at Carl W. Partin Park
 - i. Motion made by Kevin Cagle to approve this resolution and change the name of the park to "BlueCross Healthy Place at Carl W. Partin Park"



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- ii. Motion seconded by Dale Reynolds
- iii. Vote by Roll Call:
 - 1. Linda Taylor – YES
 - 2. Madison Cagle – YES
 - 3. Kevin Cagle – YES
 - 4. Dale Reynolds – YES
 - 5. John Odle – YES
 - 6. Marty Carrington – YES
- iv. Motion passed unanimously

B) Approve Resolution No. 08042025-02: A resolution to authorize application and approval of funding FY2026 Tennessee Arts Commission Grant Project (to fund roof repair at the Hanger and build new Pavillion at the Parsons Regional Park).

a. The city asked for \$192,000.00. Grant approved \$102,000.00 funding with no match

- i. Motion made by Kevin Cagle to approve this resolution as presented
- ii. Motion seconded by Marty Carrington
- iii. Vote by Roll Call:
 - 1. Linda Taylor – YES
 - 2. Madison Cagle – YES
 - 3. Kevin Cagle – YES
 - 4. Dale Reynolds – YES
 - 5. John Odle – YES
 - 6. Marty Carrington – YES
- iv. Motion passed unanimously

C) Approve Resolution No. 08042025-03: A resolution to authorize application for a Tourism Enhancement Grant (maximum grant amount of \$100,000.00 with grant match of \$5,000.00)

a. This grant is to create an ADA walkway at the lower ballfields and purchase a wayfinding sign for the Regional Park. If funds are available after these two items, the city would like to improve the sound system at the ballfields.

- i. Motion made by Dale Reynolds to accept this resolution as presented
- ii. Motion seconded by Madison Cagle
 - 1. Vote: All ayes. Motion passed unanimously



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D) Approve Library Board appointments.

- a. The Library Board requests the approval of the following current board members for a second term: Lanisha Lomax, Kelli Goode and Jeff Melton
- b. The Board also requests the approval of new board member Leeanne Pierce, who will be taking the seat of Beverly Boyd, whose term has expired.
 - i. Motion made by Madison Cagle to approve these appointments as requested.
 - ii. Motion seconded by Kevin Cagle
 1. Vote: All Ayes. Motion passed unanimously

E) Vacant seat on city council.

- a. Dale Reynolds made a motion to appoint Ms. Deborah Walker, Mr. Jimmy Lynn Walker's widow, as council member to fulfill the balance of his term.
 - i. Motion Seconded by John Odle
 1. Vote: All Ayes. Motion passed unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

- A) Approve second reading of Budget Ordinance 430 – Approve sale of Property to Jerry Harper (Old Shepards Fund Building, Map 049M Parcel 010.00) for \$50,000.00
 - a. Public hearing was held before the meeting, no comments from public
 - i. Dale Reynolds made a motion to approve this ordinance as presented
 - ii. Motion seconded by John Odle
 - iii. Vote by Roll Call:
 1. Linda Taylor – YES
 2. Madison Cagle – YES
 3. Kevin Cagle – YES
 4. Dale Reynolds – YES
 5. John Odle – YES
 6. Marty Carrington – YES
 - iv. Motion passed unanimously

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Madison Cagle. Second by Marty Carrington. Vote: All Ayes

Tim David Boaz, Mayor

Colleen Lawlor, City Recorder