

Millersville Board of Commissioners
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 17 2023 at 6:00 P.M.
at Millersville City Hall

The Millersville Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting at City Hall on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. with the following board members present: Tommy Long, Mayor; Milton Dorris, Vice Mayor; Commissioners: David Gregory and Cristina Templet. Also present: Scott Avery, City Manager; Holly Murphy, City Recorder/Finance Director, Vanessa Johnson, Assistant City Recorder, Charlie Pieri, City Planner; and Jack Freedle, City Attorney.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Long called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Long gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. Approve the minutes from the September 19, 2023 Regular Commission Meeting.

City Recorder Holly Murphy requested that the minutes be tabled to the November 21, 2023 meeting.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to table the minutes from the September 19, 2023 Regular Commission Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Templet. (Vote 4 yea – 0 nay.) Motion carried.

4. Approve the minutes from the September 26, 2023 Special Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2023 Special Commission Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Templet. (Vote 4 yea – 0 nay.) Motion carried.

5. Approve the September 2023 Financial Report.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve the September 2023 Financial Report. Commission Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Templet. (Vote 4 yea – 0 nay.) Motion carried.

6. **Public hearing on Ordinance 23-799**, an ordinance amending Ordinance 23-794 the 2023-2024 fiscal year budget, to reflect the actual revenue and expenses in multiple line items Amendment #1.

Mayor Long requested that the public hearing on Ordinance 23-799 be tabled.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to table Ordinance 23-799, seconded by Vice Mayor Dorris. (Vote 4 yea – 0 nay). Motion carried.

7. **Second reading on Ordinance 23-799**, an ordinance amending Ordinance 23-794 the 2023-2024 fiscal year budget to reflect the actual revenue and expenses in multiple line items amendment #1.

Mayor Long requested that the public hearing on Ordinance 23-799 be tabled.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to table Ordinance 23-799, seconded by Vice Mayor Dorris. (Vote 4 yea – 0 nay). Motion carried.

8. **Public hearing on Ordinance 23-801**, an ordinance amending the City of Millersville official Zoning and Land Use map from rural residential to suburban residential 1 for 7035 Bethel Rd property.

a. Open public hearing on Ordinance 23-801

Mayor Long opened public hearing.
There were no comments.

b. Close public hearing on Ordinance 23-801

Mayor Long closed public hearing.

9. **Second reading on Ordinance 23-801**, an ordinance amending the City of Millersville official Zoning and Land Use map from the rural residential to suburban residential 1 for 7035 Bethel Rd property.

City Planner introduced a letter from the property owner at 7035 Bethel Rd, stating that the property owner would like to divide the property into smaller lots for their family can build homes on the property. Planner Pieri stated that pending approval tonight, the next step would be to go to the Planning and Zoning board for the minor plat approval.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve the second reading on Ordinance 23-801, seconded by Commissioner Templet. Mayor Long called for a Roll Call Vote on Ordinance 23-801 (Vote 4 yea- 0 nay) Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

10. **Public hearing on Ordinance 23-802**, an ordinance to deannex property located at 2186B Tinnin Rd, specifically identified as Sumner County map 120, parcel 003.00, at the property owner's request.

a. Open public hearing on Ordinance 23-802

Mayor Long opened public hearing

There were no comments.

b. Close public hearing on Ordinance 23-802

Mayor Long closed public hearing

11. **Second reading on Ordinance 23-802**, an ordinance to deannex property located at 2186B Tinnin Rd, specifically identified as Sumner County map 120, parcel 003.00, at the property owner's request.

Vice Mayor Dorris made a motion to approve the Second reading Ordinance 23-802, seconded by Commissioner Gregory. Mayor Long called for a Roll Call Vote, (Vote 4 yea-0 nay) Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

12. **Public hearing on Ordinance 23-803**, an ordinance amending Chapter 6- alcoholic beverage, Article II- Beer Board, Sec 6-31. Created; powers by deleting language.

a. Open public hearing on Ordinance 23-803

Mayor long opened public meeting.

There were no comments

b. Close public hearing on Ordinance 23-803

Mayor closed public hearing.

13. **Second reading on Ordinance 23-803**, an ordinance amending Chapter 6 - alcoholic beverages, Article II- Beer board, Sec. 6-31. Created; powers by deleting language.

Commissioner Gregory noted that the deleted words were "within Sumner County TN".

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve second reading Ordinance 23-803, seconded by Commissioner Templet. Mayor Long called for a Roll Call Vote. (Vote 4 yea -0 nay). Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

14. **Resolution 23-R-23**, a resolution to award the Building Inspection and Plan Review Services Contract and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract.

Discussion, the question was asked "how many contracts did we get". Per City Manager, 2, and the bids are expiring; thus, it will need to be rebid.

Does the state law require that we have a Building Inspector? Per the City Manager, the ordinance requires it.

City Planner Pieri shared the number of permits that have been pulled for September and October which includes a new model construction plan.

It was asked about the average number of permits per month and how many had been pulled prior to September. City Planner Pieri gave an estimate of the number of permits pulled (17).

The discussion was on how many inspections were performed from July-September/up to date, which City

Planner Pieri explained.

A statement was made that we should be looking to the future versus the past and a Building Inspector is needed.

Rebuttal, one does not see that there is a warrant for a Building Inspector. Per City Planner Pieri company D R Horton will be starting up within the next few months, which will increase the permit requests and building inspections.

Discussion surrounded the cost of an employee with benefits and the revenue that was brought in from the permits and inspections.

Tim Lassiter commented that he withdrew his bid and that they are not talking about hiring a Building Inspector, but a contractor to do it as needed.

Statement, to award the Building Inspection and Plan Review Services Contract and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract.

Mayor Long requested that this be moved to the work session. Per the City Manager anything that is not approved goes back to the work session and agenda until it is approved or denied per the Charter.

Discussion continued around rebidding the contract and doing it on as needed. Per the City Manager, the City is not following its own ordinances.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve Resolution 23-R-23, seconded by Commissioner Templet. Mayor Long called for a Roll Call Vote. (Vote 2 Yea, Commissioner Gregory and Commissioner Templet – 2 nay, Vice Mayor Dorris and Mayor Long). Motion failed.

15. **Resolution 23-R-24**, a resolution to approve the agreement between Metropolitan Government and the City of Millersville and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract.

Commissioner Gregory made a motion to approve Resolution 23-R-24, seconded by Vice Mayor Dorris. (Vote 4 yea – 0 nay). Motion carried.

16. Citizen comments.

City Planner Pieri explained that he turned in his end of employment notice that will be effective October 27, 2023, thanked the City for taking a chance on him, challenging him, and is looking forward to the City's growth.

Ben Reeves, 300 Pole Hill Rd, expressed his concern for the high number of accidents in front of his home, and is worried that one could result in serious injury or worse. Ben talked about his children playing outside in the yard and how he is concerned for their safety. So, he has requested a guardrail be placed in front of his home. He also talked about the guardrail that needs to be fixed at 409 Pole Hill Rd.

Amy Corbit, Millersville Library Director spoke about the up and coming events in the Community: Fall Festival, Trail of Treats at the Community Center, Trick or Treating will be held at the library October 31, they will be participating in the Christmas Parade in December, started an after school program (10 and up), movie matinee, creative writing class, and a film festival.

17. City Attorney comments.

None

18. City Manager comments.

Mr. Avery spoke about the Trail of Treats that will be happening at the Community Center on October 28.

19. Commissioner comments.

Commissioner Gregory thanked Charlie for all of his work that he has done in the City and had done a good job.

Commissioner Templet thanked Charlie and said that she appreciates all he has done including the discussions and answering the questions.

Vice Mayor Dorris commented on the guardrail at Pole Hill Rd being hit and not being fixed, he appreciates it. He also asked why there was not a work session on the 1st of October. Mayor Long would like the City to have Christmas Dinner for employees, the boards, and the Vol. Fire Department to show our appreciation.

20. Adjournment.

Vice Mayor Dorris made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Gregory. (Vote 4 yea – 0 nay.) Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Vanessa Johnson,
Assistant City Recorder

