

MINUTES: CITY OF DECHERD BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
DECHERD, TENNESSEE

July 13, 2020

The City of Dechard Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session, Monday, July 13, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: VICE-MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS
CITY ADMINISTRATOR REX CLARK

MEMBERS ABSENT: MAYOR MICHAEL GILLESPIE

OTHERS PRESENT: Ross Peterson, Gina Sims Johnson, Shawn Sims-Johnson, Jerre M. Hood, Al Tipps (WCDDT), Billy Joe R. Anderson, Michelle Peterson, Glenn Summers, Justin Stubblefield, Damita Slatten, Dennis Doney (live streamed the meeting on Facebook).

Vice Mayor Richard Gulley called the meeting to order with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Dechard Board of Mayor & Aldermen dated June 08, 2020 was reviewed. Motion to accept was made by Alderman Jimmy Wayne Sanders and Seconded by Alderman Pam Arnold. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

VICE-MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - Aye
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD – Aye
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - Aye
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - Aye

Motion Passed Unanimously 4-0

The Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of the Dechard Board of Mayor & Aldermen dated June 18, 2020 was reviewed. Motion to accept was made by Alderman Pam Arnold and Seconded by Alderman Jimmy Wayne Sanders. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

VICE-MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - Aye
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD – Aye
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - Aye
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - Aye

Motion Passed Unanimously 4-0

The Financial Report for the Month of May 2020 was reviewed by the Board. Motion by Alderman Pam Arnold and Seconded by Alderman Tammy Holt to approve this report as read. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

VICE-MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - Aye
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD – Aye
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT – Aye
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - Aye

Motion Passed Unanimously 4-0

Department reports for the Police and Fire were given by Public Safety Director Ross Peterson, Building Inspection Report was given by Codes Director Dennis Doney, and there was no Water Report due to software conversion. Motion to accept Department Reports by Alderman Jimmy Wayne Sanders and seconded by Alderman Pam Arnold. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

VICE-MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - Aye
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - Aye
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - Aye
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - Aye

Motion Passed Unanimously 4-0

Jeff Bagwell (Farrar Fire Trucks) brought a engine for demo.

Citizens' Concerns:

Gina Sims Johnson ask for dates to meet with Department Heads. Ms. Johnson stated she would like to address the Board on behalf Baldwin family. Have some questions about release of body cam footage on evening of incident. Public Safety Director Ross Peterson responded. Ms. Johnson ask what procedures does department have now. Public Safety Director Ross Peterson stated the department was working toward accreditation.

Mayor's Communications: Vice Mayor Richard Gulley explained procedures for resolution of Citizen's Concerns. Bring Citizen's Concern to City Hall and meet with Mayor or City Administrator, and appropriate Department Heads, if not resolved then bring concern to board.

Vice Mayor opened floor stating each speaker would have three minutes.

Aldermen's Communications:

None

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Pam Arnold and seconded by Vice Mayor Richard Gulley and a roll call vote taken with the following results:

VICE-MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - Aye
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - Aye
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - Aye
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - Aye

Motion Passed Unanimously 4-0

Attest: _____

Rex Clark, City Administrator

Richard Gulley, Vice Mayor