

MINUTES: CITY OF DECHERD BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
DECHERD, TENNESSEE  
March 8, 2021

The City of Decherd Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session, March 8, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall Council Room.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dennis Doney, Jerre Hood, A. J. Ladd, Al Tipps (WCDT), Glenn T. Summers, Amber Nava, Abraham Nava, Brian Nava, Ross Peterson, Mary Nell Hess, Jacob Morris, Kaleb Tyree, Eric Bradford

Mayor Michael Gillespie 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 Decherd Board of Mayor & Aldermen dated February 8, 2021 was reviewed. Motion made by Alderman Pam Arnold and Second by Alderman Tammy Holt to approve Minutes as printed.

Roll Call: VICE MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - AYE  
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - AYE  
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - AYE  
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - AYE

Motion Passed Unanimously 4 – 0

Financial Report for the Month of February 2021 was reviewed by the Board. Motion to accept was made by Vice Mayor Richard Gulley second by Alderman Jimmy Wayne Sanders.

Roll Call: VICE MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - AYE  
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - AYE  
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - AYE  
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - AYE

Motion Passed Unanimously 4 – 0

The Police, Fire, Building Inspector reports were reviewed for the month of February 2021.

Motion by Alderman Pam Arnold to accept Departmental Reports as presented and seconded by Tammy Holt.

Roll Call: VICE MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - AYE  
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - AYE  
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - AYE  
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - AYE

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 4 – 0

1. Third reading and public hearing Ordinance # 430 an Ordinance to require all Department Heads to attend City Meetings.

Motion to accept Ordinance #430 on third reading by Vice Mayor Richard Gulley and second by Alderman Pam Arnold.

Public Hearing: 7:11 p. m. – 7:11 p.m.

Some discussion was held by Aldermen on wording of Ordinance. Vice Mayor Richard Gulley advised he would like to change the wording from all City Meetings to relevant City Meetings so Department Heads would not have to attend meetings where their Departments were not needed.

Motion to accept Ordinance #430 on third reading with the changes was made by Vice Mayor Richard Gulley and second by Alderman Pam Arnold.

Roll Call: VICE MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - AYE  
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - AYE  
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - AYE  
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - AYE

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 4 - 0

2. Motion to appoint Rob Bennett to represent The City of Decherd on the ISWA (Local Solid Waste Authority) board. Motion by Alderman Pam Arnold and seconded by Vice Mayor Richard Gulley.

Roll Call: VICE MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - AYE  
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - AYE  
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - AYE  
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - AYE

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 4 - 0

3. Discussion on declaring surplus the abandoned alley ways off 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue South that is approximately 520' in length and 30' wide and appotion of Sixth Avenue South that is 220' in length and 40' wide. This property is adjacent to property owned by Daryl Doney and bordered by the Decherd Housing Authority.

Codes Official Dennis Doney was asked to explain why this property was to be declared surplus. The explanation that it was unused and no intent to develop as the right of ways did not connect and the property could be put back on the Tax Rolls.

Motion made to declare surplus the property described was made by Alderman Jimmy Wayne Sanders and seconded by Alderman Pam Arnold.

Roll Call: VICE MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - AYE  
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - AYE  
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - AYE  
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - AYE

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 4 - 0

4. Adopt Resolution R3-21, a Municipal Plan recommended by the Planning Commission as the official Municipal Plan for The City of Decherd.

Motion was made by Alderman Tammy Holt to pass and seconded by Vice Mayor Richard Gulley. Discussion followed. Discussion on costs of the listed projects and how some of the listed projects would be accomplished. Mayor Gillespie explained the plan. Commissioner Mary Nell Hess of the Planning Commission spoke, and Commissioner A. J. Ladd of the Planning Commission spoke.

Roll Call: VICE MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY - ABSTAIN  
ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - NO  
ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - AYE  
ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - NO

MOTION FAILED 2-1 WITH 1 ABSTAIN

Citizen Concerns: NONE

Mayor's Communication: NONE

Alderman's Communication:

Alderman Pam Arnold would like to thank the Police and Fire Department for their response during her family's recent crisis.

Mayor Michael Gillespie stated there being no additional business the meeting was adjourned 7:33 p.m. with Alderman Pam Arnold making motion to adjourn. Second by Alderman Tammy Holt.

Roll Call: VICE MAYOR RICHARD GULLEY

ALDERMAN PAM ARNOLD - AYE

ALDERMAN TAMMY HOLT - AYE

ALDERMAN JIMMY WAYNE SANDERS - AYE

Motion Passed Unanimously 4 - 0

  
Mayor Michael Gillespie

Attest:   
Rex Clark City Administrator