

REGULAR MEETING

LOUDON CITY COUNCIL

May 16, 2011

The regular meeting of the Loudon City Council was held on May 16, 2011 in the Council Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Those present were: Mayor Judy Keller, Council members Mike Cartwright, Judy Jones, Lynn Millsaps and Jimmy Parks. Also present were City Attorney Edwin Arnold, City Manager Lynn Mills and City Recorder Stephanie Putkonen. The press was represented by Vicky Newman of the *News Herald*. Stephanie Smullen video recorded the meeting for LCTV3. There were seven people present.

Attorney Arnold held the invocation. Councilmember Cartwright led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

Mayor Keller asked if council members had a chance to review the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 18, 2011. **A motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember Jones and unanimously passed to approve as written the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 18, 2011.**

Council considered the administrative approval of the purchase of gasoline and diesel fuel (\$3.263 per gallon for unleaded plus gasoline and \$3.279 per gallon for diesel fuel) on April 19, 2011 from the low bidder Rogers Petroleum. **A motion was made by Councilmember Cartwright, seconded by Councilmember Parks and unanimously passed to administratively approve the purchase of gasoline and diesel fuel (\$3.263 per gallon for unleaded plus gasoline and \$3.279 per gallon for diesel fuel) on April 19, 2011 from Rogers Petroleum.**

Mayor Keller welcomed the visitors and asked if anyone had anything to bring before council that did not appear on the agenda. There was no response.

Mayor Keller presented an ordinance to approve the budget for fiscal year 2011-2012. Manager Mills stated that the budget maintains the existing tax rate.

Manager Mills passed out a request for \$10,000 from the 911 Board. He said the appropriation was not included in the budget as presented for first reading, but the budget could be changed before it is approved on final reading.

Councilmember Millsaps made a motion to deny the request of the 911 Board to fund \$10,000. Councilmember Jones seconded the motion. Upon a vote, it was unanimous to deny the request.

A motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember Cartwright that the following ordinance be passed on first reading:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOUDON, TENNESSEE
ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING JULY 1, 2011 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2012**

Upon a vote the AYES were: Millsaps, Cartwright, Jones, Parks and Keller. There were no NAY votes.

Mayor Keller presented an ordinance to set the tax rate at \$1.0287 (the same as last year). A motion was made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Cartwright that the following ordinance be passed:

SETTING THE TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

Upon a vote the AYES were: Jones, Cartwright, Millsaps, Parks and Keller. There were no NAY votes.

Mayor Keller presented a resolution to approve an easement agreement. Manager Mills explained that this easement was agreed to when the property was purchased for the construction of Elizabeth Lee Parkway and Highlands Business Park. A motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember Cartwright that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-27

**AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT TO CODY PESNELL HUDSON
ACROSS CITY OWNED PROPERTY ON ELIZABETH LEE PARKWAY**

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously passed.

Council considered the authorization of a five million dollar loan from the State Revolving Loan Fund to finance the expansion of the water treatment plant from four (4) million gallons per day to twenty (20) million gallons per day. After some discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember Parks that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-28

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE FINANCING
OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER FACILITIES PROJECT, INCLUDING
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTUAL
AGREEMENTS, AND OTHER NECESSARY DOCUMENTS, AND MAKING
CERTAIN REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND PLEDGES OF
CERTAIN REVENUE IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH FINANCING**

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously passed.

Council considered the authorization of a five million dollar loan from the State Revolving Loan Fund to finance the construction of a new raw water intake and intake structure. A motion was made by Councilmember Parks, seconded by Councilmember Cartwright that the following resolution be passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-29

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE FINANCING
OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER FACILITIES PROJECT, INCLUDING
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF APPLICATIONS, CONTRACTUAL
AGREEMENTS, AND OTHER NECESSARY DOCUMENTS, AND MAKING
CERTAIN REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND PLEDGES OF
CERTAIN REVENUE IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH FINANCING**

Upon a vote, the resolution was unanimously passed.

Mayor Keller encouraged all of the city council members to attend the Elected Official Academy being held in conjunction with the TML Conference in Murfreesboro on June 10 and 11. The TML conference would end on June 14. Mayor Keller rescheduled the workshop meeting from June 13 to June 14 at 6:30 P.M.

Mayor Keller scheduled on June 20, 2011 the public hearing for the budget at 7:15 P.M. and the public hearing for the tax rate at 7:20 P.M.

Mayor Keller recommended the appointment of Ashley Shudan as attorney for the Industrial Bond Board. She replaced Rex Dale who was elected General Sessions Judge. **A motion was made by Councilmember Cartwright, seconded by Councilmember Parks and unanimously passed to appoint Ashley Shudan as attorney for the Industrial Bond Board.**

Mayor Keller recommended the appointment of Kimberly Roberts to replace Amy Millsaps on the Planning Commission. **A motion was made by Councilmember Millsaps, seconded by Councilmember**

Jones to appoint Kimberly Roberts to the Planning Commission (term expiring June 30, 2013). Council members Jones, Millsaps, Parks and Mayor Keller voted AYE. Councilmember Cartwright voted NAY.

Councilmember Cartwright stated that he voted against the appointment because he understood that Ms. Roberts was frequently out of town. He was concerned she would be unable to attend meetings.

Mayor Keller appointed City Manager Mills, Councilmember Millsaps and Gene Lambert to a committee to negotiate the re-purchase of property on Main Street.

There being no further business, Mayor Keller adjourned the meeting at 8:30 P.M.

Recorder

Mayor