

A **Public Hearing** was held on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 5:50 p.m. at Lewisburg City Hall, 131 E. Church Street, Lewisburg, Tennessee to hear public opinion and comments concerning the following:

- 1) Ordinance 25-01, an ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Lewisburg Article VII, Section 7.090 and Article V, Section 5.040.

Those present and attending were Mayor Jim Bingham, Councilmen, Shannon Crutcher, Vickie Michael, Tommy G. Burns and Linda Thomas. City Manager Bam Haislip, City Recorder Georgina Jones, and City Attorney Thomas Hutto.

Mayor Bingham opened the Public Hearing asking for public comments and/or opinions on the above-listed item(s).

Citizen Comment: none

There being no further comments, the public hearing closed at 5:54 p.m.

The Lewisburg City Council met for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Tuesday February 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., at Lewisburg City Hall, 131 E. Church Street, Lewisburg Tennessee.

Those present and attending were Mayor Jim Bingham, Councilmen, Shannon Crutcher, Vickie Michael, Tommy G. Burns, Linda Thomas, City Manager Bam Haislip, City Recorder Georgina Jones, and City Attorney Thomas Hutto.

Mayor Bingham called the meeting to order, welcoming all in attendance.

The Invocation given by Anthony Atkisson, Pastor from The Tabernacle Church, and Police Chief Scott Braden led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Item 1. Announcements/Presentations:**

- a. Mayor Jim Bingham recognizes three Marshall County Tiger Football Players who have earned the incredible opportunity to play college football. The following individuals National Football Day:

Reid Mitchell signed with Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Jamahl Gentry signed with Lindsey Wilson College in Kentucky

Aja Jones signed with Tennessee Tech University

- b. "Tree City" Member Barabara Woods announced the City of Lewisburg has set "Arbor Day" Celebration Event on March 7, 2025, at 11:30 a.m. Mayor Jim Bingham will sign a proclamation for observance of "Arbor Day" and members will plant a tree.

**Item 2. Citizen Input:**

**Joe Bradford 1208 Glenn Ave Lewisburg, TN 37091** - Mr. Bradford gave his opinion regarding that there were violations of the First Amendment right to free speech during the Citizens Input. Mr. Bradford's letter resides with the February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 minutes per his request.

**Item 3. Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by Councilman Thomas, seconded by Councilman Michael to approve as the minutes for the January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Aye  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 4-0**

**Item 4. Approval of Bills and Financial Statement:**

Motion made by Councilman Michael, seconded by Councilman Thomas to approve the January 2025, bills and the December 2024, financial statement.

Discussion ensued.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Aye  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 4-0**

**Item 5. Old Business:**

- a. **Consider approval of 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading of Ordinance 25-01, an ordinance to amending the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Lewisburg Article VII, Section 7.090 and Article V, Section 5.040.**

Motion made by Councilman Michael and seconded by Councilman Crutcher to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading of Ordinance 25-01, an ordinance to amending the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Lewisburg Article VII, Section 7.090 and Article, Section 5.040.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Aye  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 4-0**

**Item 6. New Business:**

- a. **Consider approval to appoint Pete Brown to the Industrial Development Board (remaining 6-year term) by recommendation of Councilman Michael.**

Motion made by Councilman Burns to appoint Pete Brown to Industrial Development Board for vacant term that ends June 1, 2029. Councilman Michael seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Aye  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 4-0**

- b. Consider approval of appointing Millie Summers to the Cemetery Advisory Committee for an unexpired term Pleasure of Mayor/Council.**

Motion made by Councilman Burns and seconded by Councilman Thomas to approve the appoint of Millie Summers to the Cemetery Advisory Committee for an unexpired term Pleasure of Mayor/Council.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Aye  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 4-0**

- c. Consider approval of appointing Emiley Gordon to the Board of Zoning Appeals by Mayor Jim Bingham recommendation to the Council.**

Motion made by Councilman Burns and seconded by Councilman Crutcher to approve the appoint of Emily Gordon to the Board of Zoning Appeals by Mayor Jim Bingham recommendation to the Council.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Aye  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 4-0**

- d. Consider approval to dispose of an old computer that no longer works at the Recreation Center.**

Motion made by Councilman Thomas and seconded by Council Crutcher to approve to dispose of an old computer that no longer works at the Recreation Center.

Discussion ensued.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Aye  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 4-0**

- e. Consider approval (roll call vote) to fund employer contribution in the amount of \$57,061.00 for the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) for prior service for 26 employees who were completing OneAmerica mandatory enrollment waiting period at the time the pension plan was frozen.**

**NO MOTION WAS MADE**

- f. Consider approval of Resolution 25-02, to allow all employees to participate/contribute to a Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) 401K plan.**

Motion made by Councilman Thomas and seconded by Councilman Crutcher to approve Resolution 25-02, a resolution to allow all employees to participate/contribute to a Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) 401K plan.

Discussion ensued.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Aye  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 4-0**

- g. Consider approval of Ordinance 25-02, to add Social Media Policy for Elected Officials to Title 1, Chapter 8 of the Lewisburg Municipal Code.**

Motion made by Councilman Michael and seconded by Councilman Crutcher to approve Ordinance 25-02, an ordinance to add a Social Media Policy for Elected Officials to Title 1, Chapter 8 of the Lewisburg Municipal Code.

Discussion ensued.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Aye  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Nay  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye

**Motion passes 3-1**

- h. Consider approval of Ordinance 25-03, to amend Title 2, Chapter 5 SECTION 5-101 Miscellaneous boards of the Lewisburg Municipal Code appointed by the Mayor.**

Motion made by Councilman Crutcher and seconded by Councilman Michael, to approve Ordinance 25-03, an ordinance to amend Title 2, Chapter 5 SECTION 5-101 Miscellaneous Boards of the Lewisburg Municipal Code appointed by the Mayor. Ordinance 23-15 is repealed and deleted in its entirety.

Discussion ensued.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Burns - Nay  
Councilman Michael - Aye  
Councilman Thomas - Nay  
Councilman Crutcher - Aye  
Mayor-Aye (voted due to tie)

**Motion passes 3-2**

**Item 7. Other Business:**

**Discussion ensued by Councilman Michael on the other boards.**

**a. City Manager Report - Roy "Bam" Haislip**

\*12 Bridges within the City limits were audited by the State of Tennessee with an inspection. There were 9 bridges that were rated fair and 3 bridges rated good.

\*Earth Dam at New Lake was inspected and passed in January 2025.

\*City Manager Bam Haislip attended January 31, 2025; the Legislation Community Leadership Breakfast was held at Columbia State Community College. Columbia State updated on all the improvements completed.

\*Kings Landing has four building spots left which will house 7 units.

\*Saddle Trace on Hwy 50 has single family and town homes available. Saddle Trace has sold 7 or 8 town homes and seven single family homes.

\*Savannah Lakes will have 10 units sold by the end of this week.

\*Spring Valley Estate are site prepping the location.

\*IT service audit would cost anywhere between \$10,000 up to \$50,000 according to what kind of audit you chose.

**b. Directors Reports:** reports were given by the following departments: Parks & Rec Director Cary Whitesell, Fire Chief Drew Hawkins, Chief Scott Braden, Airport Manager Kent Stewmon, Public Works Director Branden Davidson, Planning and Codes Director Chris Rush and Jennifer Pearson, Director of Economic Development and Scott Braden. City Attorney Thomas Hutto brief update to Council.

**c. Any other additional business or announcements:** none

There being no further business to come before the Council at the regular monthly meeting, a motion to adjourn made at 6:50 p.m. by Councilman Crutcher, seconded by Councilman Thomas.

Motion passes unanimously.

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Jim Bingham, Mayor

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Attest: Georgina L. Jones,  
City Recorder