

August 7, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Regular Monthly Meeting
Ripley City Courtroom

Mayor Fitzhugh called the meeting to order and requested Recorder Buckner to issue roll call.

Board members present: Alston, Chipman, Davis, Hankins, Thompson and Treadway

Board members absent: none

Also present: Donna Buckner, Chief Worlds, Chief Turner and Superintendent Johnie Ford

Visitors: Marlon Holloway, Alex Wilson, Ethel B. Jones, Ron Goforth, Willie Crews, Deborah Crews, Michelle Rickard, Gina Baker, Phylis Leake, Joe Leake and Jan Wright

Invocation: Willie Crews

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Motion by Alderman Hankins and second by Alderman Chipman to approve July 3, 2023 meeting minutes as printed and delivered in agenda package. All aye
2. Motion by Alderman Hankins and second by Alderman Alston to approve July 2023 financial statement as printed and delivered in agenda package. All aye

Correspondence: none

Mayor's comments:

- Strategic Plan for BlueOval status
- Ripley Transportation Plan
- Ripley Housing-Ripley Terrace/Rolling Hills

Chief Worlds issued caution regarding outdoor burning.

Department Reports

3. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Treadway to approve department reports as printed and delivered in agenda package. All aye

Willie Crews addressed the Board regarding his concerns about issues going on in the Sherrin Drive / Haliburton Street areas.

Michelle Rickard, representing University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHC) announced the upcoming event The Living Healthy in Lauderdale County Health Fair scheduled for October 28, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Ripley Elementary School.

4. Motion by Alderman Alston and second by Alderman Chipman to approve re-appointment of Don Ammons to the Ripley Housing Authority Board for five (5)-year term expiring August 2023. All aye
5. Motion by Alderman Hankins and second by Alderman Treadway to approve City of Ripley policy for Mutual Aid Agreements. All aye.
6. Motion by Alderman Davis and second by Alderman Thompson to approve grant contract between the State of Tennessee, Department of Commerce and Insurance and City of Ripley for the provision of grant funds to local law enforcement agencies for tuition assistance, training and professional development expenses for the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy (TLETA). Roll call. All aye
7. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Alston to approve travel expenses for Mayor Fitzhugh to attend Ford Fly-In to Dearborn, Michigan on October 10th-13th along with other invited West Tennessee mayors to express rural West Tennessee's appreciation to Ford for locating in West Tennessee. Roll call. All aye.

Ethel Jones, Labor Day coordinator, updated the Board on upcoming festivities scheduled for Labor Day.

8. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Davis to reschedule September board meeting to Tuesday, September 5, 2023 due to Labor Day holiday. All aye.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Donna Buckner, Recorder

Craig Fitzhugh, Mayor