

CITY OF FAIRVIEW

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 20, 2020

Debby Rainey, Mayor
Derek K. Burks, Commissioner
Rod Dawson, Commissioner
Scott Lucas, Commissioner
Scott Collins, City Manager
Tim Potter, City Attorney
Brandy Johnson, City Recorder

Present: Burks, Dawson, Lucas, Rainey
Others Present: Collins, Johnson, Paisley, Potter, Sullivan

1. Roll Call – by Johnson

	Present	Absent
Commissioner Burks	x	_____
Commissioner Dawson	x	_____
Commissioner Lucas	x	_____
Mayor Rainey	x	_____

2. Call to Order by Mayor Rainey at 7:02 p.m.

3. Prayer led by Christine Archer and Pledge led by Mayor Rainey

4. Approval of the Agenda and Executive Session Announcements -

Motion: Lucas

Second: Dawson

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	_____	_____	_____
Commissioner Dawson	x	_____	_____	_____
Commissioner Lucas	x	_____	_____	_____
Mayor Rainey	x	_____	_____	_____

5. Public Hearing – NONE

6. Citizen Comments - NONE

7. Announcements, Awards, Recognitions – N/A

8. Staff Comments and Reports

A. City Manager Report –

- Collins reviews the election process and recent changes. There are essentially two races; in the first one, there are 2 candidates running for a two-year unfulfilled term seat and you should vote for one; in the second race, there are 6 candidates running for 3 seats; the two earning the top votes will receive four-year terms and the third highest will receive a two-year term and you should vote for three in this race. By charter, the Vice Mayor becomes Mayor if that seat becomes vacant for

any reason during a term. Due to election law and timing, Rainey cannot remove herself from the ballot. Rainey qualified to run in the three-seat election and if she should be one of the candidates voted in she would be required to vacate that seat and thus necessitate a special election. There are no provisions in the charter to relay the seat to the next highest vote getter.

- In light of some recent chatter on social media regarding the denial of a permit for the Veteran's Day Parade, I would like to clarify some items. The city operates with a limited public safety staff of 18 firefighters and 21 police officers who provide 24/7 coverage for the city and we cannot guarantee the additional staff for any extra events for any date in the future at this point. We are severely hampered by the risks of a parade (blocking and directing of traffic and crowd control). If we have a last-minute spread of COVID and can't adequately cover the parade we risk public harm by allowing it. The city has been criticized for this decision while this event did not occur last year, but not at the city's request, it was the organizers who chose not to hold the parade. The same risks hold true for the Fairview High homecoming parade, which would have been tomorrow, as well as the Christmas parade. We have to consider the requirement for public safety manpower throughout the event as well as the requirement to respond to any emergency situations that may occur outside of the event.

9. Consent Agenda (Any Item May Be Removed for Individual Consideration)

- Minutes from the October 1, 2020, Board of Commissioners Meeting
- Second and Final Reading of Ordinance 2020-20, An Ordinance of the City of Fairview, Tennessee, Amending the Previously Adopted Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019 and Ending June 30, 2020

Motion: Lucas

Second: Dawson

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___

10. Old Business

- Motion to Reconsider Resolution 17-20 - Burks

Motion: Burks

Second: Dawson

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Lucas	___	x	___	___
Mayor Rainey	___	x	___	___

MOTION FAILS TO CARRY.

- Resolution 17-20, A Resolution to Annex Territory by Owner Consent and Incorporate Same Within the Boundaries of the City of Fairview, Tennessee (7322 Valley Road, Map 69, Parcel 82, 50.83 Acres, Owners: Richard and Larawn Rhea). NO OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER DUE TO MOTION IN ITEM 10A FAILING TO CARRY.

11. New Business

- Resolution 23-20, A Resolution to Annex the Section of Taylor Road Between the Current City Limits at 7330 Taylor Road and the Northwest Boundary of the Intersection of Taylor Road and Demoss Lane – Collins notes Williamson County recognizes this section of roadway to be in the city limits

because the majority of adjacent properties within this area have been annexed but the city has not formally annexed it. In an effort to clarify the property tax map and ensure that partnership for the management of that road and growth in the area, Collins requests the Board's consideration of annexation of this section of road between 7330 Taylor Road and the intersection of Demoss Lane.

Motion: Lucas

Second: Burks

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___

- B. Resolution 23-20, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fairview to Participate in the Public Entity Partners' Property Conservation Matching Grant Program – Collins advises this is a matching grant program and he believes we would be eligible for \$4,000 which would assist with the cost of securing the 25-acre outparcel on Dice Lampley Rd.

Motion: Burks

Second: Lucas

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Commissioner Burks	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Dawson	x	___	___	___
Commissioner Lucas	x	___	___	___
Mayor Rainey	x	___	___	___

12. Communications from the Mayor and Commissioners

- A. Commissioner Burks offered his congratulations to Mayor Rainey but he knows this is not a position you wanted or planned on having but I know you will do a great job for the city and thank you for being willing to do so. Thoughts and prayers go out to those struggling but please know you have friends who will be there for you.
- B. Commissioner Lucas echoed Burks' comments noting it has been a rough week. Early voting is open now and the election commission reported record numbers yesterday. Get out and vote!
- C. Commissioner Dawson – no comments
- D. Vice Mayor Rainey announced she has put out a press release and asks voters who planned to vote for her to please vote for another candidate and we have lots of great options.

13. **Adjournment** –Commissioner Burks made a motion for adjournment and meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Brandy Johnson
City Recorder