

Meeting Minutes
May 2, 2022

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Sweetwater met in a regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 5 p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Lowe opened the meeting with Commissioners present being: Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton. City Attorney John Cleveland was present. A quorum was present.

Commissioner Stockton moved to approve the minutes from the regular monthly meeting of April 4, 2022 and the workshop of April 25, 2022. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

After the Recorder's report, Commissioner Richeson moved to approve the distributions for the month of March, 2022. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

A Public Hearing was opened to take comment on the Annexation and Plan of Services and Ordinance No. 999 to amend Title 10, Animal Control. No written or oral comments were given. The Public Hearing was closed at 5:07 p.m.

In Old Business, Commissioner Moser moved to approve Ordinance No. 999 to amend Title 10, Animal Control on second and final reading. A second was given. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioners Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton. Nays being none. The motion is carried.

The bid for the CDBG Home Grant was tabled awaiting more information from the Home Grant Committee.

In New Business, Commissioner Stockton moved to appoint Eli Arwood as an Auxiliary Officer to Sweetwater Police Department. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve the adoption of updated Schedule of Fees. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve Ordinance No. 998 to update building codes on first reading. A second was given. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioners Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton. Nays being none. The motion is carried.

Commissioner Hughes moved to approve Ordinance No. 1000 to adopt the Budget & Tax Levy Ordinance for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 on first reading. A second was given. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioners Lamar

Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton. Nays being none. The motion is carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve the Resolution to Annex and provide a Plan of Services for Eagle Bend Development, LLC, Telford Rod, off Hwy. 68, Tax Map 022, Parcel 011.00, approximately 79.25 acres. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Resolution No. 05-02-2022

A RESOLUTION to Annex Certain Territory Upon Written Consent of the Owners and to Incorporate the Same within the Boundaries of the City of Sweetwater, Tennessee, *to-wit*:

Approximately 79.25 acres on Telford Road/Hwy 68, Sweetwater, TN
(Tax Map 022, Parcel 011.00).

WHEREAS, the City of Sweetwater, Tennessee, having been petitioned by interested persons, proposes the extension of its corporate limits by the annexation of certain territory into the city limits; and

WHEREAS, the owners of all property within the territory proposed for annexation have given their written consent by notarized petition so that a referendum is not required; and

WHEREAS, a copy of this resolution, describing the territory proposed for annexation, was promptly sent by the City of Sweetwater to the last known address listed in the office of the property assessor for each property owner of record within the territory proposed for annexation, with such being sent by first class mail and mailed no later than fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the scheduled date of the hearing on the proposed annexation by owner consent; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was also published by posting copies of it in at least three (3) public places in the territory proposed for annexation and in a like number of public places in the City of Sweetwater, and by publishing notice of the

resolution at or about the same time in The BUZZ, a newspaper of general circulation in such territory and the City of Sweetwater; and

WHEREAS, a plan of services for the area proposed for annexation is attached as Exhibit A hereto, which plan of services addresses the same services and timing of services as required in Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-51-102; and

WHEREAS, the proposed annexation and plan of services were submitted to the Sweetwater Regional Planning Commission for study, and it has recommended the same; and

WHEREAS, notice of the time, place and purpose of a public hearing on the proposed annexation and the plan of services was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Sweetwater, not less than fifteen (15) days before the hearing, which notice included the locations of a minimum of three (3) copies of the plan of services for public inspection during all business hours from the date of notice until the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the proposed annexation and plan of services was held by the governing body on May 2, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Sweetwater, Tennessee as follows:

A. That the following territory, as shown on Exhibit B, is hereby annexed and incorporated into boundaries of the City of Sweetwater, Tennessee, to be effective as of May 2, 2022, *to-wit*:

Situated in the First (1st) Civil District of Monroe County, Tennessee, and being known and designated as all of Tract 1 as shown on the plat of survey for Judy Stooksbury, being a subdivision to Monroe County, Tennessee, and being shown more particularly on that map recorded in Map Cabinet M, Page 50, in the Monroe County Register of Deeds Office, to which map specific reference is hereby made for a more particular description of the subject property. Said Tract 1 containing 79.25 acres, more or less, and being according to the survey of Christian M. Medders, Tennessee Registered Land Surveyor No. 2493, dated May 6, 2021 and bearing Job No. 21-423. The address of the surveyor is Christian M. Medders, 9W Washington Avenue, Athens, TN 37371.

Being a part of that property conveyed to Judy O. Stooksbury by Quit Claim Deed from JOS Holdings, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company, dated February 8, 2018 and recorded in Book WD 393, page 604, in the Monroe County Register of Deeds Office.

B. That the plan of services for this territory which is attached as Exhibit A hereto is approved and the same is hereby adopted.

C. That the Mayor/City Manager/Recorder shall cause a copy of this resolution, as well as the adopted plan of services, to be forwarded to the Mayor of Monroe County, Tennessee.

D. That a copy of this resolution shall be recorded with the Monroe County Register of Deeds, and a copy shall also be sent to the Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury and the Monroe County Assessor of Property.

E. That a copy of this resolution, as well as the portion of the plan of services related to emergency services and a detailed map of the annexed area, shall be sent to any affected emergency communication district, following certification by the election commission that the annexation was approved.

G. That a revised map of the voting precincts shall be sent to the office of local government and to the office of management information services for the Tennessee General Assembly, following certification by the election commission that the annexation was approved.

H. That the Tennessee Department of Revenue shall be notified, for the purpose of tax administration, that the annexation took place.

WHEREUPON, the Mayor declared the resolution adopted, affixed a signature and the date thereto, and directed that the same be recorded.

Mayor

Attest:

City Recorder

Approved as to Form and Legality this ____ day of _____, 2022.

City Attorney

Resolution No. 05-02-2022

EXHIBIT A

Pursuant to the provisions of Tennessee Annotated Code Section 6-51-102, there is hereby adopted the following plan of service;

1. Police- The Sweetwater Police Department will provide patrolling, radio responses to calls, and other routine police services, using present personnel and equipment immediately upon the effective date of annexation.
2. Fire- The Sweetwater Fire Department will provide fire protection using present personnel and equipment immediately upon the effective date of annexation.
3. Water- Public Water is currently available for domestic use along Telford Rd near the proposed property. Extension of the service onto the property for domestic use and fire protection would have to be provided by the developer under policies established by the Sweetwater Utilities Board.
4. Sewer- Public Sewer is currently unavailable in the area. Public sewer could be provided to the annexed area at such time the property is developed and at the expense of the developer. The city has no plans to extend sewer service to the area.
5. Gas- Natural gas service is currently not available to the area. However, at such time gas service becomes available to the area, said service will be provided under policies established by the Sweetwater Utilities Board.
6. Electric- Electric service is currently available to the area via existing service lines located along Telford Rd that can be extended further into the annexed area. Any provision of electric service will continue under policies established by the Sweetwater Utilities Board.
7. Garbage Collection- Garbage Collection will be provided to the area in accordance with policies set by the City of Sweetwater immediately upon the effective date of annexation.
8. Street- Telford Road currently fronts the area and can be used as the access to this property. This is a city-maintained road and will remain a city road once the property is annexed into the City Boundary. Any proposed new or

additional streets must be provided by the developer and must meet all city standards, per City of Sweetwater Subdivision Regulations, prior to being adopted as city streets.

9. Planning and Zoning-The planning and zoning jurisdiction of the city will be extended to the annexed area immediately upon the effective date of annexation. City planning will thereafter encompass the annexed area. A zoning plan will be adopted immediately following the effective date of annexation.

10. Street Lighting- Street Lighting is currently not provided to the area, but at such time that the property is developed, said service will be provided as needed under policies established by the Sweetwater Street Department.

11. Recreation- Existing recreational facilities, parks, etc. are available immediately upon the effective date of annexation to the population of the annexed area.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve Ordinance No. 1001 to zone recently annexed parcel, Monroe County Tax Map 022, parcel 11.00 on Telford Road to R-4 on first reading. A second was given. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioners Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton. Nays being none. The motion is carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve Ordinance No. 1002 to rezone Monroe County Tax Map 023 F Group E Parcel 17.00 from M-1 to C-3, with remainder of parcel in C-2, on first reading. A second was given. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioners Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton. Nays being none. The motion is carried.

Commissioner Hughes moved to approve Ordinance No. 1003 to rezone 720 New Hwy 68, Monroe County Tax Map 023 parcel 056.05 from C-3 to M-1 on first reading. A second was given. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioners Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton. Nays being none. The motion is carried.

Commissioner Hughes moved to approve Ordinance No. 1004 to rezone Monroe County Tax Map 022, Parcel 43.00 from C-3 to R-1 and R-2 on first reading. A second was given. Upon Roll Call Voting, the Ayes were as follows: Commissioners Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, Billy G. West, and Bill W. Stockton. Nays being none. The motion is carried.

Commissioner Stockton moved to approve the Reimbursement Resolution for upcoming Electrical Department Capital Expenses. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Stockton noted that an old case involving theft of evidence from the police department in which the defendant had fled the country and was apprehended by the U.S. Marshalls, has faced a jury and was convicted of the theft. He commended the witnesses and the police department for their work.

Mayor Lowe invited everyone to the Blooms, Bluegrass, & BBQ festival this weekend in town. He also noted the Red Stag Groundbreaking would be this Wednesday for those invited.

Mayor Lowe requested the board consider an amendment in the city budget to increase the donation to the Monroe County Friends of Animals by \$1,000. No oppositions were voiced and the Recorder was instructed to draft the revision before final reading.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

This the 2nd day of May, 2022.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Recorder