

February 3, 2025  
5:00 p.m.  
Ripley Power Board Meeting  
Ripley City Courtroom

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

Board members present: Alston, Long Chipman, Frazier, Keeley and Fitzhugh

Board members absent: Thompson

Also present: Donna Buckner, Attorney Rachel Jackson, Superintendent Johnie Ford, Fire Chief Tracey Worlds, Superintendent Mike Allmand, Police Chief Mitchell Turner and Park Director Mike Worlds

Visitors: Linda Love, J.C. Bonds, James Wright and Ron Goforth

1. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Alston to approve December 2, 2024 minutes as printed and delivered in agenda package. All aye
2. Motion by Alderman Alston and second by Alderman Keeley to approve January 6, 2025 minutes as printed and delivered in agenda package. All aye

Public comments: Linda Love questioned city's on-going litigation and attorney's fees concerning Ripley Power & Light

3. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Frazier to notify the management of Ripley Power & Light to provide Board of Mayor and Aldermen with what's been done in their belief that they had the authority to do that making sure it's appropriate for the current power board sitting here. All aye

Mayor Fitzhugh adjourned meeting at 5:28 p.m.

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Donna Buckner, Recorder

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Craig Fitzhugh, Mayor

February 3, 2025  
5:35 p.m.  
Public Hearing  
Ripley City Courtroom

- An ordinance of the City of Ripley, Tennessee amending Title 8 Alcoholic Beverages, Chapter 1 Intoxicating Liquor and Chapter 2 Beer

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

Board members present: Alston, Long Chipman, Frazier, Keeley and Fitzhugh

Board members absent: Thompson

Also present: Donna Buckner, Attorney Rachel Jackson, Superintendent Johnie Ford, Fire Chief Tracey Worlds, Police Chief Mitchell Turner and Park Director Mike Worlds

Visitors: Linda Love, J.C. Bonds, James Wright and Ron Goforth

No negative comments.

Public hearing closed 5:40 p.m.

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Donna Buckner, Recorder

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Craig Fitzhugh, Mayor

February 3, 2025  
6:00 p.m.  
Ripley Board of Mayor and Aldermen  
Ripley City Courtroom

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

Board members present: Fitzhugh, Alston, Chipman, Fraizer, Keeley, Long and Thompson

Board members absent: none

Also present: Donna Buckner, Attorney Rachel Jackson, Superintendent Johnie Ford, Fire Chief Tracey Worlds, Police Chief Mitchell Turner and Park Director Mike Worlds

Visitors: Linda E. Love, Ron Goforth, James Wright, J.C. Bonds, Jay Heath, Kim Taylor, Shannon Morgan, Deandray Dewalt, Joyce Cotton, Delphine Tyus, Kayla Keeley, Pastor Reverend Terry D. Barlow, Sr., and Marcus Keeley

Invocation: Pastor Reverend Terry D. Barlow, Sr.

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Alston to approve January 6, 2025 Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting minutes as printed and delivered in agenda package. All aye
2. Motion by Alderman Keeley and second by Alderman Thompson to approve January 2025 financial statement as printed and delivered in agenda package. All aye

Correspondence: W.G.L. Rice Trust Trustees request of designated contribution

Attorney Jackson read letter sent on city's behalf to Attorney Chris Davis regarding W.G.L. Rice Trust Trustees request

Mayor's comments: Tina Turner update and Strategic Plan update

Department reports:

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

Public comments: none

4. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Frazier to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading ordinance of the City of Ripley amending Title 8 Alcoholic Beverages, Chapter 1 Intoxicating Liquors and Chapter 2 Beer. Roll call. All aye
5. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Thompson to consider 1<sup>st</sup> reading ordinance amending the text of the official zoning ordinance of Ripley, Tennessee by amending the regulations for solar energy systems as approved and recommended by Ripley Planning Commission. All aye
6. Motion by Alderman Thompson and second by Alderman Long to approve resolution to authorize and appropriate funds for an actuarial study to determine the cost(s) associated with authorizing members of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System ("TCRS") to establish retirement credit in TCRS for expanded armed conflict military service credit pursuant to

Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-34-605(d). Roll call. All aye

7. Motion by Alderman Alston and second by Alderman Keeley to approve Townsend Systems, Inc. standard fire alarm agreement for Ripley Family Fitness Center. Roll call. All aye
8. Motion by Alderman Alston and second by Alderman Thompson to approve Verizon Connect agreement for Public Works Department vehicles tracking subscription. Roll call. All aye
9. Motion by Alderman Alston and second by Alderman Long to approve resolution to decline 2022 CDBG grant due to financial concerns. All aye
10. Motion by Alderman Alston and second by Alderman Long to approve resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Ripley, Tennessee authorizing the submission of an application(s) for FY 2025 State Community Development Block Grant funds. Roll call. All aye
11. Motion by Alderman Chipman and second by Alderman Frazier to send letter to certain financial employees and supervisor at Ripley Power & Light that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen is the only entity authorized to contract business of Ripley Power & Light until further notice. All aye

Meeting adjourned 6:40 p.m.

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Donna Buckner, Recorder

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Craig Fitzhugh, Mayor