**Stock appointed Director of Public Works Department**

Following the appointment of David Travis as City Administrator, City Engineer Bret M. Stock has been named Director of the City of Dickson’s Public Works Department.

Mayor Don L. Weiss Jr. nominated Mr. Stock for the position and he was unanimously approved at the July 7, 2025, City Council meeting.

Mr. Stock has served as the city’s Engineer 2014-17 and since 2021. For the last year he has been the interim Director of the Public Works Department while Mr. Travis was serving as Acting City Administrator.

“Bret’s been in that position now for a year. I think he’s done a great job with the Public Works Department. I think he has the respect of all the employees in that department. He does a lot here not only from Public Works, but from the engineering side. He’s been a big asset as engineer,” Mayor Weiss said. “I would like to remove the acting tag from Mr. Stock tonight and appoint him as the full-time Director of Public Works and the City Engineer.”

Without discussion, the City Council unanimously approved the Mayor’s recommendation.

Mr. Stock is a 2006 graduate of Dickson County High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Tennessee Technological University in 2011. He became licensed by the State of Tennessee as a Professional Engineer in 2016.

In addition to his tenure as City Engineer, Mr. Stock worked for Professional Engineering Services in Sparta and James + Associates in Dickson. He was hired as the City of Dickson’s first in-house engineer in 2014.

The son of Bret and Donna Mathis Stock, Mr. Stock and wife Whitney, a teacher at Dickson County High School, have two children: Jackson, 11, and Blakelee, 4.

In 2012 the city consolidated the parks, cemetery, maintenance, street, sanitation and other divisions into the Public Works Department. It currently has over 50 full-time employees and a fiscal year 2025/2026 budget of $6.2 million.