



Demolition of the old Tennessee Truck Stop, damaged by fire last year, began in earnest last Friday to make way for the expanded top-of-the-line and state-of-the-art Tennessee Travel Center, which should be completed next year.

Tennessee returning bigger and better

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A Marshall County, and middle Tennessee, landmark will soon rise from the ashes.

On Friday, August 12, an official ground breaking ceremony was held for the rebuilding of The Tennessee Truck Stop, which owner Gregory Sachs described in his remarks as “an icon for the community and for truckers across the country.”

A kitchen fire last summer did too much damage to save the original 1974 structure, which, over the years, has been a landmark along I-65 and one of the busiest independent truck stops in the country.

In the year since the fire, Sachs said that he and his team have been working with architects to design the new Tennessee Travel Center.

The new 25,000 square foot building will offer a host of new amenities while retaining the charms that made The Tennessee a gathering place for the community and travelers alike.

The travel center will feature additional gas pumps and a greatly expanded space for the convenience store.

The restaurant will keep the recipes and buffets that made it a popular place to eat but will feature outdoor seating and an expanded space for coffee, ice cream, and donuts, as well as a quick service deli.



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County and municipal mayors joined Tennessee owner Gregory Sachs (center) to officially break ground last Friday on the new 25,000 square foot Tennessee Travel Center at Exit 22.

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Lewisburg talks development some more

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The bulk of last week's Lewisburg City Council meeting revolved around the city's most frequent topic recently, development.

Blake Arnold, who is developing the Holly Grove Meadows subdivision, briefed the council on the process of development in general and on his project in particular.

The city has annexed the Holly Grove Road property already but the council de-

ferred, last month, a vote on approving a planned urban development, or PUD, zoning for the property.

Arnold proposes 272 single family homes on the 70 acre parcel if a PUD is approved.

He pointed out the differences and trade offs inherent between straight zoning and PUD zoning.

Under the current R-1 zoning, he could develop 204 lots with much less input from the city or 304 lots if rezoned to R-2.

A PUD zoning would allow

the city more say in the look of the development and require 25 percent of the property be left undeveloped for common use.

Arnold proposed adding a turn lane for the development at his expense as well.

Previously, several residents close to the proposed subdivision have expressed concerns about the project. Only one neighboring property owner spoke last week.

A vote revisiting the PUD proposal was not on the meeting agenda.

The meeting marks the final meeting for two members of council.

Two-term Ward 4 Councilman Jerry Gordon and Ward 2 Councilman Jack Cathey depart the council after defeat in the August general election.

Tommy Burns and Vickie Michael will join the council for the first time along with Ward 3 Councilwoman Peggy Harwell, whom voters returned to her seat.

Council members will be sworn into office prior to next

month's work session at 5 p.m., Tuesday, September 6.

The council approved a three year PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) agreement with Southern Carton to offset some of the cost on \$7.5 million in additional equipment.

The council also agreed to raise the fines for demolitions undertaken without a permit to \$500 and approved application for a grant to fund communications equipment for the fire department.

Marshall County had an im-peck-able 4-H Chick Chain show and sale!

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On Saturday, August 6, members of the community met together to support the Marshall County 4-H program and the participants of the 2022 Chick Chain Project.

The 4-H Chick Chain Project is designed to teach youth responsibility and hard work by letting them raise and care for their own flock of chickens. The project started at the beginning of the year when 4-H'ers chose between two breeds of chickens, Barred Rock and Golden Comet. They attended a workshop in February to prepare them for their chicks arrival. They learned about topics such as nutrition, shelter, and the need for heat in the first few weeks of a chick's life. They were given record keeping journals to help them track the expenses and profits made while doing the project. The chicks arrived in March and 4-H'ers were invited to come select their new flock. It was then up to them to raise the chicks and get them show ready.

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Photos submitted

4-H members and participants of the 2022 Marshall County 4-H Chick Chain Project. For photos of the champions for each breed, please turn to page 12 of today's Tribune.



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