

Minutes from the Commission Meeting held on

January 14, 2013

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners met for a Public Hearing on Monday, January 14, 2013 at 5:00 P.M. regarding the CDBG Grant then again at 5:30 P.M. regarding the Public Transportation Grant. The Board then met in regular session at 6:00 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held at 5:30 P.M. in regards to the Transportation Grant.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Tony Hawn called the meeting to order with Commissioners Alan Phillips, Jerry Shirk, and Wes Atwell present. Terry Hanner was not present.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Jerry Shirk.

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 2012 MINUTES

Motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Shirk to approve the December 2012 Minutes. All Ayes.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

There were no communications from the Mayor at this time.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS

There were no Commissioner reports at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

CITY LIMIT SIGNS

Shirk stated he had been checking on signs and this is still a work in progress. **Motion** was made by Phillips, seconded by Atwell to table this matter till the February 2013 meeting. All Ayes.

NEW BUSINESS

DECEMBER 2012 FINANCIAL REPORT

Motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Atwell to approve the December 2012 Financial Report. All Ayes

APPOINTMENT OF (2) TWO MEMBERS TO THE RAILS FOR TRAILS

Cage voted amongst their membership and elected Gail Anderson as a member. Phillips stated depending on when the meetings are he would stand as a member. Raymond Roach said he thought he was already a member and elected to remain a member.

Motion was made by Shirk, and seconded by Atwell to appoint Gail Anderson, Alan Phillips, and Raymond Roach as members to the Rails for Trails. All Ayes.

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION PLACING THE COLLECTION SYSTEM UNDER A SELF IMPOSED MORATORIUM

John King spoke that the state monitors what is going on with the sewer system. The permit states there should be no overflows and because the city went over so many overflows, no more sewer hook-ups can be done into the system until the overflows are resolved. The city had 63 overflows in this last year alone. The moratorium will last until the issues are resolved or possibly cut down if the city can show the state we are trying. Citizen, Raymond Roach, stated a lot of these overflows had do with rain events and due to a pump being down at the Niota Road pumping station. Roach also said the pump was fixed and ready to be put back in. A list of customers was generated from former smoke tests and those having violations will be issued a letter. The customers will have (90) ninety days to correct the problems with letters going out on February 1, 2013 and with a compliance date of April 30th. If customers haven't complied with the letters by this date, and this being a city ordinance, the customer's utilities will be shut off until the problem is taken care of. The letters will be signed by Town Manager Jamie Moses before being mailed. These violations will be checked by the city and signed off on. Mayor Hawn stated the city could fix them ourselves and in turn we could bill the customer or fines could be placed if no action is taken. The city has also applied for a grant to help with this project, although Phillips doesn't think we will be issued the grant. Both Town Manager Jamie Moses and John King will be writing a letter to the state showing how the city is correcting the problems and the actions being taken to correcting the problems. Mayor Hawn stated he and Raymond Roach were going to sit down and draw up a 5-year plan and a 10-year plan and also implement a line item in the 2013-14 budget for the I&I (Inflow & Infiltration) for putting money back to help try and correct problems by having funds readily available. Signs have been ordered and will be posted at the overflow sights. **Motion** was made by Shirk, seconded by Atwell to place collection system under a moratorium. All Ayes.

Joe Cline was named as chief executive officer of sewer and states he holds licenses in collection and distribution. Cline will be working closely with Joe Hardwick in regards to the sewer project.

RICHARD CLOWERS TO SPEAK IN RELATION TO GAS

Richard Clowers spoke on what action to take in case of a gas leak. Clowers stated if you smell gas to get out of your home and call Englewood City Hall or 911. The state gas inspector recently came and said the city needs to make its residents more aware of the importance of knowing what to do in case of a gas leak. Measures have been taken to make public aware by advertising on radio, television, and on monthly utility bills. The city was in good standing everywhere else.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Darrell Wright read the police report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Billy Roach was not present at meeting. Town Manager Jamie Moses read the fire report.

CHURCH OF GOD SIGN PERMIT

Scott Cardin discussed putting up a sign for the Church of God at the planning commission meeting on January 7, 2013. The planning committee agreed to have the sign put up but wanted to further check with the state regional planner to see if a state permit was required. The state planner stated no state permit was required and to proceed with issuing the permit. **Motion** was made by Phillips, seconded by Shirk to allow the sign to be put up at the Church of God. All Ayes.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Linda Davis approached the Board to see if her lawsuit could be taken care of since a new board was in place. Attorney Russell Blair said a final hearing date was set for April 18, 2013 and the status will be determined then unless Mrs. Davis's attorney can get together with me, Attorney Russell Blair, and we can come up with a proposal to present to the Board. Davis states variances can be done away with since it was violated. Attorney Blair stated at this point pending litigations should not be discussed in a public meeting and she should have her attorney communicate with us.

Raymond Roach stated the state was supposed to pave the road even with the sidewalk on the curve at the Church of God. He said to contact someone in the Chattanooga TDOT office or send a letter to Nashville. Town Manager, Jamie Moses said she would contact them this week. Phillips stated there would be no paving anytime soon due to the season.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Shirk to adjourn the meeting.

Ramona Wright

Tony Hawn

City Recorder

Mayor