

BOARD MEETING

JUNE 22, 2009

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Tullahoma, Coffee and Franklin Counties, Tennessee met in a public session at the Municipal Building, in Tullahoma, on Monday, June 22, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., with Mayor Troy Bisby presiding and the following named members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen: James Eads, Jonathan James, Sandy Lindeman, Jerry Mathis, Mike Norris, and Mike Stanton.

Louis J. Baltz III, City Administrator; Jonathan Bunn, sitting in as City Attorney; and Rosemary Womack, City Recorder; were also present at the meeting.

The meeting was opened with an invocation delivered by Rev. Lewis Groce and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Alderman James presented Ms. Susan Stovall of the Lannom Memorial Library a Community Service Leadership Certificate of Appreciation for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. In addition, Mayor Bisby read and presented a certificate from the Internal Revenue Service recognizing Ms. Susan Stovall of Lannom Memorial Library for outstanding public service contributed to our community through the SPEC programs.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS –

Mrs. Marjorie Collier, 2321 Ovoca Road, President of Friends of Short Springs spoke in regards to the appointment to the Tullahoma Utilities Board, she is apposed to the candidate Mr. Steve Cope and she recommends the candidate Mr. Mark Smith.

Mr. Neil Loeffler, 310 Oak Park Circle, commented on how the City needs some “processes” adjusted. He reported that he attended the Historic Planning Commission meeting, the Board of Education tour of the stadium, the Tree Board meeting and the Housing authority meeting. Working together with these agencies is part of the process of the City being brought together and made whole.

Mr. Joe Hills, 1112 Country Club Drive, stated that he recommends Mr. Mark Smith for the Tullahoma Utilities Board appointment. He also made a comment that Mr. Neil Loeffler would be a good candidate as well.

Dr. Richard (Dick) Fewell, 210 Short Springs Road, stated that he would be interested in the appointment to the Tullahoma Utility Board. He also apologized that his citizen participation resume form was late, but hopes that he would still be considered at this time.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

ALDERMAN MATHIS – Mr. Mathis stated he attended the tour of Wilkins stadium and was very impressed with the facility.

A motion was made by Mr. Mathis and seconded by Mr. James to authorize the City Administrator to take measures to clean up the area near Grider Stadium.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

Mr. Mathis also reported that he attended the Planning Commission meeting.

ALDERMAN EADS - Mr. Eads announced that the Duck River Utility Commission will not meet this Wednesday but rather on Thursday. He thanked the citizens for all of their e-mails and phone calls.

ALDERMAN LINDEMAN – Ms. Lindeman announced that there will be a public hearing at 4:00pm on Tuesday June 23rd at City Hall in regards to the City's Zoning Map and Ordinance.

ALDERMAN JAMES – Mr. James stated that the Emergency 911 Commission meeting was cancelled for this month. He reported that Neil Loeffler attended the Housing Authority meeting for him. Mr. James also announced that the Public Hearing for the City's Zoning Map would include the Short Springs issue.

ALDERMAN STANTON – Mr. Stanton thanked the citizens for their phone calls and e-mails in regards to the salary issues. He reported that he attended two recent tours (Warner Robins Logistics Plant in GA. and the Marietta Lockheed Plant in GA.). He also stated that he attended the Tennessee Municipal League (TML) Conference on June 13. Mr. Stanton reported that he went to a stadium progress site visit with Lee Adcock the general contractor. He stated that he attended the recent Tree Board meeting.

MAYOR PRO TEM NORRIS - Mr. Norris reported that he attended a Small Loan Committee meeting.

MAYOR BISBY – Mayor Bisby announced that he attended the stadium tour and that he was very impressed.

REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY – Mr. Jonathan Bunn stated that he was sitting in for Randall Morrison and that he had no report.

REPORT FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Jody Baltz said that at the last board meeting Ms. Lindeman had asked for a report on our mosquito situation. Mr. Baltz asked the Parks and Recreation Director, Kurt Glick to give the report. Mr. Glick gave a presentation and update on our mosquito control program.

CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM 09-66 – Minutes of June 8, 2009 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Ms. Lindeman to approve the consent agenda as presented.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

OLD BUSINESS –

AGENDA ITEM 09-59 – APPOINTMENT TO TULLAHOMA UTILITY BOARD

Mayor Bisby gave the background information.

The following nominations were made for the appointment to the Tullahoma Utility Board:

Alderman Eads nominated Mr. Mark Smith.
Alderman Norris nominated Dr. Dick Fewell.
Alderman Mathis nominated Mr. Steve Cope.

On roll call all members present voted as follows:

Mr. Mark Smith had two votes; Bisby, Eads
Dr. Dick Fewell had two votes; James, Norris,
Mr. Cope had three votes; Lindeman, Mathis, Stanton

The nomination failed since there was not a majority four (4) votes for any one person/candidate.

On roll call all members present voted again as follows:

Mr. Steve Cope had three votes; Lindeman, Mathis, Stanton
Dr. Dick Fewell had four votes; Bisby, Eads, James, Norris

The vote being three (3) for Mr. Steve Cope and four (4) for Dr. Dick Fewell, the appointment to the Tullahoma Utility Board went to Dr. Dick Fewell.

ORDINANCE NO. 1387 – AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SALARY FOR THE CITY JUDGE OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE, ALL IN ACCORDINANC WITH SECTION 16B OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA AND SECTION 16-18-205 OF THE TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED, for passage on the second of three readings.

Mayor Bisby presented the background information.

A motion was made by Mr. Stanton and seconded by Ms. Lindeman to adopt the proposed Ordinance No. 1387 on the second of three readings.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered

ORDINANCE NO. 1388 - AN ORDINANCE IN IMPLEMENTATION OF TITLE 5, FINANCE AND TAXATION , CHAPTER 1, IN GENERAL, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE, AND AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EACH DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE, FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2010, AND AN ORDINANCE TO SET THE TAX RATE FOR THE REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE TERM 2009, AND AN ORDINANCE TO FACILITATE OTHER FISCAL OPERATIONS OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE.

Mayor Bisby read the caption of Ordinance No. 1388 for the second of three readings.

A motion was made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. James to accept the FY 2010 Budget/Ordinance No. 1388 as presented on second of three readings.

A discussion ensued regarding removing the salary increase of the six employees and giving all full time employees a one time bonus of \$300.00 and all part time employees a \$100.00 bonus.

A motion was made by Mr. Stanton and seconded by Mr. Eads to amend the FY 2010 Budget/Ordinance No. 1388 by excluding/removing the pay raises of the six employees that had been entered into the budget.

Mayor Bisby called for a vote on the amendment to the motion. On roll call the vote was as follows:

AYE: Eads, James, Lindeman, Mathis, Norris, Stanton

NAY: Bisby

The vote being six (6) ayes and one (1) nay, the motion passed and was so ordered.

Another motion was made by Mr. Stanton to amend the FY 2010 Budget/Ordinance No. 1388 by adding a one time bonus of \$300.00 to each full time employee and to give each part-time employee a one time bonus of \$100.00. This motion failed for a lack of a second.

A discussion ensued in regards to current salaries and promotions and what type of polices if any do we have in place for merit raises.

Alderman James asked if staff could have an agenda item ready for next meeting in regards to what exactly needs to be brought before the policy committee pertaining to current salary comparisons and current raise policies.

Another motion was made by Mr. James and seconded by Mr. Eads to amend the FY 2010 Budget/Ordinance No. 1388 by combining the two general ledger budget lines to one line. (On page 75, under the title 44900 Education, the School Bond Sinking Fund – ½ Ct. sales tx and School Bond Sinking Fund add'l gen trans). A discussion ensued and then Alderman James withdrew his motion.

Mayor Bisby called for a vote on the original motion for Ordinance No. 1388 as amended.

On roll call all members present voted and the vote was as follows:

AYE: Bisby, Stanton, Norris, Lindeman, Eads, Mathis

NAY: James

The vote being six (6) ayes and one (1) nay, the motion was so ordered.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 1427 - A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND AFFIRMING THE ADOPTION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 1426 ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN ON MAY 11, 2009, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS IN THE APPROXIMATE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$5,000,000).

Finance Director Sue Wilson gave the background information.

A motion was made by Ms. Lindeman and seconded by Mr. James to adopt the proposed Resolution No. 1427.

A discussion ensued in regards to the terms of the bond.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

ITEM 09-67 – APPOINTMENT TO THE DUCK RIVER UTILITIES COMMISSION

City Administrator Jody Baltz gave the background information

A motion was made by Ms. Lindeman and seconded by Mr. Norris to appoint Mr. Bob Van Patten to the Duck River Utilities Commission.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at this time the Board Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

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