

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF  
SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE WAS HELD  
ON THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION BY: REV. JACKIE PENNEY

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:  
MAYOR EVERETT

MEMBERS PRESENT:  
MAYOR EVERETT  
VICE-MAYOR COLEMAN  
COMMISSIONER KEITH  
COMMISSIONER PENNEY  
COMMISSIONER SHIPLEY  
CITY MANAGER JOHNSON  
CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT  
ASSISTANT RECORDER DOLBERRY

STAFF AND OTHERS PRESENT:  
SEE ATTACHED COPY OF SIGN IN SHEET

The minutes of the regular meeting held March 21, 2024 and the special called workshop held March 26, 2024 were approved as presented.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**2023-2024 ORDINANCE NO. 15**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,  
AMENDING THE SODDY-DAISY ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE VIII,  
ACCESS CONTROL, PARKING & SITE PLAN REQUIREMENTS, SECTION 824.9  
RELATIVE TO EXTERIOR BUILDING WALLS MATERIALS. SECOND  
AND FINAL READING.**

1<sup>st</sup> - Vice-Mayor Coleman to approve  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Keith  
Ayes - Unanimous

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,  
ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR THE MAYOR AND  
COMMISSIONERS. PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING.**

Mayor Everett said that this ordinance was discussed at the last workshop as well as when to make it operative. It was noted that the pay will be on a monthly basis. City Attorney Elliott said years ago the City authorized the Commission to be paid, but the Commission at that time repealed it. The existing requirement from State Law does not allow the current Commission to vote themselves a raise. City Attorney Elliott said the Commission has two options: one is to approve the Ordinance with three current commissioners compensated beginning in November 2024 and the remaining two in 2026, option two is to approve the Ordinance with the whole Commissioner compensated beginning in November of 2026. City Attorney Elliott said it was his understanding from the workshop meeting that the Commission wants to make it effective in November of 2026 and that is what is before us. Vice-Mayor Coleman said after the State certifies the election. City Attorney Elliott said under State Law the term begins at the first regular meeting after the election and does not link to the certification. He said State Law says first regular meeting after the election and this is referenced in the Ordinance. City Attorney Elliott noted this is a public hearing. There was no opposition present.

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Commissioner Shipley to approve the Ordinance
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Vice-Mayor Coleman
- Ayes - Vice-Mayor Coleman, Commissioner Penney, Commissioner Shipley, Mayor Everett
- Nays - Commissioner Keith

Public Works Director Grant requested approval to stripe various streets in the City. He said a list of the proposed streets was included in the Commission's packets. City Manager Johnson requested approval of up to \$50,000.00. Public Works Director Grant said that the County has agreed to do the striping. Vice-Mayor Coleman questioned if any of the proposed streets for striping were scheduled to be paved in the near future. City Manager Johnson said no.

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Vice-Mayor Coleman to approve up to \$50,000 for striping
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Shipley
- Ayes - Unanimous

### Citizen's Participation:

Derek Kukura, 1045 Trojan Run Drive, Nate and Cindi Sanden, 10773 Loop Road, Soddy-Daisy, Tennessee thanked all the volunteers who recently helped with the Dallas Hollow Road cleanup on March 23, 2024. Mr. Kukura said that the volunteers picked up litter from Hixson Pike to Sequoyah Road approximately 3.1 miles. He said they covered two-thirds of the road with 18 volunteers. He thanked the City for assisting with the disposal of the bags, tires and bulk items and the police department for help with increasing the safety by providing a patrol car in the area. He said they picked up 66 bags, 14 tires, 4 bulk items during a three hour time frame. Mayor Everett thanked Mr. Kukura for his efforts. Commissioner Shipley said that Hamilton County concentrates more on larger streets. Mr. Sanden said that Mr. Kukura had gone above and beyond with this cleanup. Mr. Sanden announced the Cleanup Challenge scheduled for April 19-April 25, 2024. He said currently 10 teams are registered for cleanup throughout the City and Hamilton County just outside the City limits. He said the event will end with a pizza party and award ceremony. City Attorney Elliott said they are to be commended for all they do. City Manager Johnson asked if they needed any supplies? Mr. Sanden said they are good on trash bags.

Cindi Sanden announced a Recycling Event scheduled for April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Kids Park from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.. She said Absolute Waste Management will be on hand and will take 50 mattresses to Nashville for recycling. Franklin E Waste, Nashville, will collect commercial and residential electronics. They will not take TVs or appliances. They will be collecting sneakers and batteries. She said they plan to make the event bigger next year. This year they will not have shredding or drug take back, but hope to add these next year. She said the Sequoyah Recycling Center will be open from April 22<sup>nd</sup> through April 24<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with this event and will collect tires at a cost of \$1.00 per passenger tire and \$4.00 each for larger tires. Tires must be clean and have no rim. Commissioner Shipley asked where they plan to

park. Mrs. Sanden said behind the Community Center and she is working with Chad Crowe, Public Works Department, with the event. City Manager Johnson said the event will be put on the City's website.

City Manager Johnson said he has asked for a market study from HVS to be completed relative to a hotel in the City. The study will reveal if the City can support one or not, size, type, and quality and the study should be ready in 5 weeks.

Commissioner Keith said he had requested at the last meeting that a letter be sent to the homeowner on Dayton Pike in regard to shipping containers on the property. He said that Codes Enforcement had sent a letter, but the owner did not remove the container from the property. They moved it to the rear of the property. Commissioner Shipley asked where this is located. Commissioner Keith said on Dayton Pike just above the water company. He said he felt if we have these ordinances in place we need to enforce them. City Attorney Elliott said it is never good to have Ordinance that you do not enforce. City Manager Johnson said the owner took the letter literal and moved it, but did not remove it.

Commissioner Keith asked the Commission to consider not purchasing a new fire truck, but instead hiring three additional firefighters. He said he is not sure if the fire truck is needed. He asked them to consider this prior to the next workshop. He said he knows the price will increase in the future, but we cannot predict what will happen 10 years down the road.

Vice-Mayor Coleman said that the public works employees have been working on Hallett Street to remove fallen trees. He said the mudslide is within 30 feet of Hallett Street and may require the road to be closed. He said he does not know how the mudslide will affect the driveway of his neighbor at the rear of his property. He expressed his appreciation for the work the employees have done.

Vice-Mayor Coleman said that where the building is being constructed across from

Erlanger they are hauling a lot of fill dirt north. He said that he discussed this with Public Works Director Grant as to how it would be good if the City could get this dirt for use in the State Park to fill in the sink hole. He said they gave the top soil away.

Commissioner Shipley noted that the building permits for the month were just below \$1,000,000.00. He said Saturday is Opening Day at the Kids Club and there are 740 kids registered to play. He thanked Public Works Director Grant and Chad Crowe for their help in building another diaper league field.

Commissioner Penney said that he has briefly discussed the pickle ball courts with Public Works Director Grant. He said the paint on the courts needs to be updated as there is a certain type of paint that is to be used on the courts. He suggested that the police department patrol the park more often and be on alert with use increasing as Spring and Summer approach.

Mayor Everett asked Vice-Mayor Coleman and Public Works Director Grant to provide comments/thoughts at the next workshop regarding the purchase of a fire truck versus additional personnel. He said both of them have served as fire chief in previous years and could provide some valuable information. He said he is in no way second guessing Fire Chief Morgan. He said when dealing with a large group you always need to categorize requests into three categories: What do you have to have?, What do you need to have?, and What do you want?

Mayor Everett thanked Keep Soddy-Daisy Beautiful for all they do. He said the Public Works Department employees wear many hats and go above and beyond from day to day. He expressed his appreciation. He announced the next workshop scheduled for Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. He said the meeting is open to the public.

Adjourned 7:32 p.m.

Burt Johnson