

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR SHIPLEY

VICE-MAYOR COTHRAN

COMMISSIONER ADAMS

COMMISSIONER LOWE

COMMISSIONER NUNLEY

CITY MANAGER CAGLE

CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT

RECORDER JOHNSON

The minutes of the regular meeting held May 7, 2020 were approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,
LEVYING A PRIVILEGE TAX UPON THE OCCUPANCY IN ANY HOTEL OR
MOTEL OR ANY PLACE IN WHICH ROOMS, LODGINGS OR ACCOMMODATIONS
ARE FURNISHED TO TRANSIENTS FOR A CONSIDERATION. PUBLIC HEARING
AND FIRST READING.**

Commissioner Lowe questioned the need for this ordinance. City Manager Cagle explained that most municipalities in Hamilton County levied a Hotel/Motel Tax several years ago but the City of Soddy-Daisy did not. She stated this ordinance needs to be in place to help govern Air BNBs. City Manager Cagle stated a separate ordinance for short-term rentals will need to be passed after this one. City Attorney Elliott said he prepared this same ordinance for the City of Collegedale a few years back.

1st - Vice-Mayor Cothran

2nd - Commissioner Adams

Ayes - Unanimous

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,
REZONING FROM R-2A RURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO A-1
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED AT 9226 DAISY
DALLAS ROAD AND REZONING FROM R-5 SINGLE LOT MOBILE HOME
DISTRICT TO A-1 AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT A TRACT OF LAND IDENTIFIED
AS 0 DAISY DALLAS ROAD, HAMILTON COUNTY TAX MAP 74A, GROUP C,
PARCEL 29. PUBLIC HEARING AND FRIST READING**

Commissioner Lowe recused himself from voting due to a conflict of interests.

1st - Commissioner Adams
2nd - Commissioner Nunley
Ayes - Unanimous

Citizens Participation:

Ashley Guffey, 351 Ducktown Street, stated that the City is in great need of a Flood Mitigation Committee. City Manager Cagle stated there is no requirement to have one. She said it is a Hamilton County Committee according to Greg Helms. Ms. Guffey requested for the City to assist the homeowners around Little Soddy Creek with the flood mitigation needed to alleviate the issue. She asked if the citizens have been notified to contact City Hall for assistance. Mayor Shipley stated a notice was released on the City's Facebook page and the website. Ms. Guffey stated that program is only for tornado victims. She said the grant needed for Little Soddy Creek has to be submitted by the City of Soddy-Daisy. City Manager Cagle stated the City has the application but doesn't know how much money is available. Ms. Guffey said that will not be known until all of the applications are submitted. She stated she would like to see the City get moving on the application and get the residents involved.

Tiffany Winton, 11322 Old Dayton Pike, distributed a copy of the Flood Mitigation Plan to the Board. Ms. Winton stated this plan is adopted every five years. She gave a few details of the items that need to be included in the application for the Federal Buyout Program. Ms. Winton stated she was nervous about the thought of putting concrete barriers near the creek. She

said she believes they could be picked up by the moving water and cause significant damage.

Ms. Winton asked who would be responsible. Mayor Shipley stated he did not think the water could move a 4,000 pound barrier. Ms. Winton questioned why the City did not have a Flood Mitigation Committee. Commissioner Adams stated the City has not had these types of floods in the 85 years he has lived here until now.

Faye Porter, 355 Ducktown Street, said TDEC would allow the City to remove silt and wood from the creek. Mayor Shipley stated TDEC says we absolutely cannot remove silt. Commissioner Adams said it is a Federal Law that states the City cannot remove rock from creeks.

Marcus Keith, 11127 Hallett Street, stated agencies have been allowed to dredge the river, why can the City not dredge the Soddy Lake Embayment. Public Works Director Steve Grant stated the City would have to obtain the necessary permits and pay for all of the cost.

LuAn Jolly-Snyder spoke on behalf of her father, Ivan Jolly, who lives at 11330 Old Dayton Pike. She stated the City gave the right to erect a fence on the unopened right-of-way behind his house to Faye Porter at the previous commission meeting. Ms. Jolly-Snyder stated that Ms. Porter has went on to her father's land to put up flags and stated there have been other disputes. City Attorney Elliott said that is a civil matter and informed her she would have to take those issues downtown to civil court.

Cherrish Jordan, 110 Coke Oven Road, stated there is no posted speed limit sign on her street and her neighbors are speeding up and down the street. City Manager Cagle informed Ms. Jordan that a speed limit sign was installed earlier today. Ms. Jordan thanked City Manager Cagle and requested for more of a police presence to help slow down motorists. Ms. Jordan asked if the City's speed trailer could be put on her street. City Manager Cagle stated there may be no room but she will look into other alternatives.

Sandra Hayes, 215 Pine Street, asked what was being done about her house potentially falling in the creek. City Manager Cagle stated the only solution is to have the property “bought out.” Ms. Guffey asked if the City could pay all of the cost to buy her out. City Attorney Elliott stated the City has no legal authority to do so. City Manager Cagle said she has spoken with two or three people trying to find a solution for Ms. Hayes.

City Manager Cagle requested approval to purchase a sewer jet trailer for the Public Works Department from CMI Equipment for \$70,441.03. She said they are part of the Sourcewell cooperative buying agreement. Vice-Mayor Cothran made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Lowe and the ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Cagle requested approval to purchase a multipurpose copier for City Hall from Chattanooga Business Machines for \$11,660.00. She said they are a part of the Sourcewell cooperative buying agreement as well. Vice-Mayor Cothran made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Nunley and the ayes were unanimous.

Commissioner Adams informed Public Works Director Grant that the road has sunk at the intersection of Old Dayton Pike and Lee Pike. Public Works Director Grant stated it has been repaired at least three times. He said Hedgecoth Construction is going to fix it.

Vice-Mayor Cothran requested permission for the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 942 to proceed with the annual July 4th Celebration and car show. Commissioner Adams made a motion to grant the request, seconded by Commissioner Lowe and the ayes were unanimous.

City Attorney Elliott stated for the record that the commission meeting took place with the appropriate “Social Distancing” and everyone was allowed to attend. He stated no extra steps put in place by Governor Bill Lee for meetings that did not allow the public to attend would be needed.

Vice-Mayor Cothran requested permission for two of the City's churches to hold fundraisers at the Veterans Park in June. Commissioner Nunley made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Adams and the ayes were unanimous.

Commissioner Nunley questioned if the City's playgrounds were open yet. City Manager Cagle said they were not and the City is waiting on Governor Lee to allow them to open.

ADJOURNED 7:53 P.M.

RECORDER JOHNSON