

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR SHIPLEY  
VICE-MAYOR COTHRAN  
COMMISSIONER LOWE  
COMMISSIONER NUNLEY  
CITY MANAGER CAGLE  
CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT  
RECORDER JOHNSON

MEMBER ABSENT:

COMMISSIONER ADAMS

The minutes of the regular meeting held March 5, 2020 were approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

**Certificate of Compliance – Retail Package Store – Ghanshyambhai Patel.**

Ghanshyambhai Patel was present on behalf of the request. The Board was informed that all conditions of the Retail Package Liquor Store Ordinance have been met. Vice-Mayor Cothran made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Lowe and the ayes were unanimous.

**2019-2020 RESOLUTION NO. 9**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,  
ACCEPTING A \$45,469.00 DONATION AND AGREEING TO THE TERMS  
MANDATED BY THE RED BANK AND SODDY-DAISY CHARITABLE  
FOUNDATION.**

Mayor Shipley stated that usually Arnold Stulce presents the City with a check from the Foundation every year and informed everyone that he has passed away. He said Mr. Stulce has

done countless things for the City of Soddy-Daisy over a long period of time. Mayor Shipley stated it would be an honor to accept the donation and adhere to the terms.

1<sup>st</sup> - Commissioner Nunley  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Vice-Mayor Cothran  
Ayes - Unanimous

### **2019-2020 RESOLUTION NO. 10**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GOVERNOR'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT GRANT.**

City Manager Cagle stated this grant can only be used for specific projects or items. She said the City will resurface several streets with the funds.

1<sup>st</sup> - Vice-Mayor Cothran  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Commissioner Nunley  
Ayes - Unanimous

#### **Citizens Participation:**

Phyllis Williams, 204 Hotwater Road, made a formal request for the City to provide relief from the storm water drainage issue she is having. She stated that the parking lot and roof from Soddy Elementary School is causing flooding to her property. Mayor Shipley stated he met with Public Works Director Steve Grant and they have a solution that might work. He said hopefully something can be worked out between the City and Hamilton County.

Fay Porter, 355 Ducktown Street, stated she has a 30 foot right-of-way that runs behind her property. She said her neighbor is being abusive in regard to the use of this right-of-way. Ms. Porter said her neighbor has threatened to cut down her trees on this right-of-way. She stated that she has even had to call the police to her residence due to her neighbor's actions. Ms. Porter asked if the City would abandon the right-of-way or sell it to her so she can erect a fence. City Attorney Elliott stated this is an unopened right-of-way and the best way to handle this is to give Ms. Porter a license with rights to the property but the property would still belong to the

City. Vice-Mayor Cothran made a motion for City Attorney Elliott to prepare a license for Ms. Porter to have the rights to erect a fence on the unopened right-of-way, seconded by Commissioner Nunley and the ayes were unanimous.

Ken Hansen, 11265 Wall Street, stated properties around him, including his, are being washed out. He said he is getting 2 feet of water on his property every time it rains. Mayor Shipley stated that water is coming off of Sluder Road due to clear cutting. Mr. Hansen stated Clayton Street and Wall Street are in desperate need of repairs. He requested for the City to meet with Hamilton County to come up with a solution to this issue.

Tiffany Winton, 11322 Dayton Pike, read a letter to the Board expressing her disappointment in regard to how the Soddy-Daisy Officials have handled the flooding issues along Little Soddy Creek. Ms. Winton said Soddy-Daisy Officials have made several mistakes. She said there is a Federal Buyout Plan that should have been offered to her and the other property owners. Ms. Winton demanded the Soddy-Daisy Officials do their job.

Ashley Guffey, 351 Ducktown Street, stated she was told by TDEC the City can remove debris from Little Soddy Creek without a permit. She said the waterways cannot handle the increased concentration of water caused by the abnormal amount of rain we are currently getting. Ms. Guffey stated that a flood study needs to be performed for all the City's creeks. She said Soddy-Daisy is also required to have a flood mitigation meeting in accordance with the Hamilton County Multijurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan.

Mayor Shipley asked City Manager Cagle to explain what is currently happening with Little Soddy Creek. City Manager Cagle stated that the City is working with the NRCS to stabilize the bank in five areas. She said these funds cannot be used for flood mitigation. City Manager Cagle stated she spoke to a gentleman from the Army Corp of Engineers and he has agreed to come to City Hall to meet to discuss options.

Shelby Whalen, 212 Pine Street, stated that her neighbor's house is hanging over the North Chickamauga Creek bank. She said she and her boyfriend recently bought their house to raise a family. Ms. Whalen said it took seven years to get gabion baskets for the creek near Willow Creek Drive. She said if they can't get any action on this issue, she and her boyfriend will be forced to move.

Sandra Hayes, 215 Pine Street, questioned how the land behind her house can be put back to the way it was. City Manager Cagle said it can't. She said she hasn't spoken to anyone yet about this but TEMA did come look at her situation. City Manager Cagle said with the use of Hazard Mitigation Funds, there is a potential to buy Ms. Hayes' house. Ms. Hayes asked how long it would take. City Manager Cagle stated it could be relatively quick since the recent tornado caused enough damage to declare a disaster for Hamilton County.

Mayor Shipley stated that Big Soddy Creek flooded overnight recently. He said this has not happened since 1982 and he is not sure what is happening.

Mayor Shipley thanked everyone for their patience. He said we are working on these issues. City Manager Cagle stated TDEC said the City could remove trees from the creek and nothing else. She said the work the City performed a year ago did not work so we need to get an engineer study.

Mayor Shipley thanked City Manager Cagle, the Public Works Department, the Fire Department and the citizens for their understanding in regard to the measures that have been taken over the last few weeks to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

ADJOURNED 8:10 P.M.

RECORDER JOHNSON