

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF  
SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE WAS HELD  
ON THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION BY: JACKIE PENNEY

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:  
MAYOR NUNLEY

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

The minutes of the regular meeting held June 17, 2021 were approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

**2021-2022 ORDINANCE NO.   1**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,  
AMENDING THE SODDY-DAISY ZONING ORDINANCE, ARTICLE II,  
DEFINITIONS, SECTION 114 AND ARTICLE X, USES PERMITTED ON  
REVIEW, ADDING NEW SECTION 300. SECOND AND FINAL READING.**

Mayor Nunley asked for an overview of the requested amendment as the last meeting was held on June 17<sup>th</sup>. Assistant Recorder Dolberry stated that this amendment will allow for a property owner to make application to place a camper on their vacant property while constructing a new home. She said obviously once the new home is built, the camper trailer is no longer used for a residence. City Attorney Elliott stated that the City has been allowing this by practice for quite some time, but thought it was better to memorialize it in an ordinance so that we would have parameters for it.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

Citizen's Participation:

Jinnie Henry, 1445 Bowman Road, thanked the Commission for cleaning up the property on Gann Road. She asked about the road cut in front of Rafael's Restaurant and stated that it is like driving on a rub board. Mayor Nunley told her this is a work in progress. It was explained that the water company is the utility who made the cut for the installation of a 12" water line. City Manager Johnson said they have not given the City a completion date. Public Works Director Grant said that the new line will extend north to the utility district, then tie-ins will be installed, tested and the temporary repair replaced. City Manager Johnson stated the cut was worse before the City made them repair it. City Attorney Elliott stated that the City has an agreement with the water company as to how the cut is to be repaired upon completion. Commissioner Everett stated that Public Works Director Grant will make sure it is repaired correctly.

Faye Scealf, 9848 Dayton Pike, came before the Board in regard to the overgrown lot at 9844 Dayton Pike. She said the lot was cut once last year when she paid to have it done. She said she has spoken to the Realtor and he stated that he has pulled his sign as the owner will not respond to him. She said she has been talking to the realtor concerning this issue since May. Inspector Grant stated that the Notice of Violation was returned as undeliverable. City Manager Johnson stated the grass will be cut by the City tomorrow. Commissioner Shipley questioned if a lien would be placed against the property for the cost of cutting the grass. City Attorney Elliott

stated not if it is a one-time cut. He further stated that if the City has to cut it numerous times, then a lien will be placed.

Curtis Cecil, Soddy-Daisy Community Library, 9619 Dayton Pike, stated that they have teamed up with the YMCA and are feeding kids all summer Monday through Friday from 12 noon – 2:00 p.m. He said that they have also created free book Friday in which 56 free books are given each Friday. He asked the Board to approve a Citywide Trunk or Treat Event at the Veteran’s Park on October 30, 2021. He said they will ask local small businesses and churches to participate in the Trunk or Treat which will be held from 6-8 p.m. in the parking lot near the ballfields, followed by a showing of the movie “Hocus Pocus”. He said currently temperatures in the fifties are predicted at movie time and asked if the Fire Department could loan the fire pits to provide warmth. Commissioner Shipley asked Public Works Director Grant if he could move those to the Veteran’s Park. Public Works Director Grant stated he could. Commissioner Shipley made a motion to approve the event, seconded by Commissioner Coleman and the ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Johnson stated that he has several housekeeping items that require the Board’s approval. He requested approval to pay Southeastern Materials \$28,915.46 for asphalt for the parking lot at Fire Station # 1. He noted this is a budgeted item.

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

City Manager Johnson requested approval to pay Hedgecoth Construction \$14,661.36 for the placement of the asphalt for Fire Station # 1.

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

City Manager Johnson requested approval for payment of \$10,111.27 to Truckers Lighthouse Inc. for equipment to upfit the three new police vehicles. He stated this is a budgeted item.

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

City Manager Johnson requested approval for payment of \$14,171.60 to Southeastern Materials for asphalt used to pave Cox Lane and Walden Street. He stated that \$332,000 had been received last year from the Governor's Grant for paving.

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

City Manager Johnson requested approval for payment of placement of the asphalt in the amount of \$7,185.60 to Hedgecoth Construction.

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

City Manager Johnson requested approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Hamilton County Communications for recording of radio traffic. He said there is a one time fee of \$357.00, with an annual fee of \$64.00 after that. He said their Commission approved this approximately two weeks ago. Commissioner Everett said this would save the City a lot of money. City Manager Johnson thanked Police Chief Sneed and his staff for their work on this, stating they had saved the City \$18,000. City Attorney Elliott stated that he had reviewed the MOU.

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

City Manager Johnson requested approval for Police Chief Sneed to purchase 3 new vehicles from Columbia, Jeep, Dodge, Ram, Fiat. He said these vehicles are scheduled to ship in

August or September and the dealer has advised that if not purchased now, they do not know when they may get another shipment due to manufacturing constraints at this time.

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

He gave the cost at \$31,382 per vehicle plus the upfit and noted this is a State Contract price. He further noted these will be Dodge Durangos as they are the least expensive SUV available.

City Manager Johnson requested approval to surplus the inflatable rescue boat. He stated the boat had developed a leak and attempts were made to repair the leak, but it still has a slow leak. He stated that the proceeds from the sale combined with the proceeds received from the sale of the Golf Cart should be enough to purchase a new boat.

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

City Manager Johnson stated that the City did receive their first part of the Governor's Grant in the amount of \$164,000 and this amount is already allotted for Capital Outlay items.

Vice-Mayor Cothran stated this year's July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration was the best one yet. He said the vendors were satisfied and several indicated they would be back next year. He said the weather was perfect and there were no issues. He thanked everyone who worked the event. He asked the Board to consider having the Independence Day Celebration on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of July each year regardless of the date. This would allow the employees of the City to spend the 4<sup>th</sup> with their families. Mayor Nunley and Commissioner Shipley stated they felt this would be a good idea. Vice-Mayor Cothran said this would allow vendors and entertainers to plan a year in advance which would improve the number of participants. Mayor Nunley made a motion to hold the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration on the first Saturday in July, seconded by Commissioner Everett and the ayes were unanimous.

Commissioner Everett expressed his appreciation for the Sandens and their assistance with advertising the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration on Facebook.

Vice-Mayor Cothran expressed his appreciation to Bridgett Raper for her advertising of the event as well. He said she did a fantastic job.

Commissioner Coleman reported on the repair of the fire truck. He said that Cummings had located two of the brackets in Saint Louis and they are having one shipped and holding the other. He said the mechanic has offered to take a look at the other two engines to see if either of them needs the same bracket replaced. He said the engine should be repaired and returned within the next two weeks. He said the ladder truck at Station 2 has diesel fuel in the oil. He said the cost of repair could be as much as \$10,000 to \$20,000. He recommended surplusing the engine if that is the case as it is not worth that amount to repair. He said the department has two other ladder trucks. He said he would advise the Board on the cost of repair once it is determined.

Commissioner Shipley questioned when the Board could hold another workshop. It was the consensus of the Board to meet at 9:00 a.m. on July 29<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Shipley recognized Police Officer Jerry Workman and stated that his son who began playing baseball in the KIDS Club had recently been drafted second in the seventh round in Major League Baseball. He congratulated Officer Workman on Logan's accomplishment.

Commissioner Everett again thanked the Sandens for their work on keeping Soddy-Daisy clean. He said he hopes the City can assist them in the future with their endeavors.

City Manager Johnson said he has discussed the revitalization of the Farmer's Market with Mr. & Mrs. Sanden. Vice-Mayor Cothran said the City needed to review the rules for the Farmer's Market. City Manager Johnson said the rules were established to prevent the Market from becoming a flea market. City Manager Johnson said that you can often start restrictive and

then loosen.

Mayor Nunley noted the invitation in the Commissioner's Packets to Stoney Point Church on Sunday at 10:00 a.m. honoring Pastor Edward Thrasher. He noted that Stoney Point Church is always community minded.

Mayor Nunley stated that the TML Conference will be held September 18-21, 2021 in Chattanooga. He asked the Board to let City Manager Johnson know if they will be attending so that he can complete the registration.

Mayor Nunley said that Codes Enforcement Officer Steve Grant had sent several Notice of Violations out and asked if he had gotten responses. Codes Enforcement Officer Grant said that several notices were unclaimed and had been returned. He said he would have to have a police office to write citations.

Vice-Mayor Cothran noted that permits issued in June had a total construction value of 1.7 million. He also stated that on July 22<sup>nd</sup> at Sale Creek High School, Hamilton County Mayor Coppinger along with Representative Randy Fairbanks will hold a town hall meeting to discuss the McDonald Farm purchase and future plans for the property. He said he feels the development of this property will help Soddy-Daisy.

Adjourned 7:36 p.m.

Recorder Burt Johnson

