

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF  
SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE WAS HELD  
ON THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022 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

Mayor Nunley introduced Brian Wright with Johnson, Murphy & Wright, P.C. Mr. Wright presented the City's audit report. Mr. Wright said that the City had done well and spent well. He commended the City for funding a good budget. He stated the schedule of findings received an unmodified opinion which is the best opinion you can get. He said there were no findings which is the cleanest report you can get. He thanked City Manager Johnson and his staff for a good job.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on March 17, 2022 were approved as presented.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, AMENDING  
2020-2021 ORDINANCE NO. 12 ADOPTING THE 2021-2022 GENERAL FUND  
BUDGET AND BY FURTHER ADDING THE DEBT SERVICE FUND. PUBLIC  
HEARING AND FIRST READING.**

City Manager Johnson stated the Board is aware of all the amendments as they receive

monthly reports. He said the amendment is needed due to purchases relative to paving, park improvements and the construction of Fire Hall #3 as well as HRA Contributions for insurance claims.

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

**2021-22 RESOLUTION NO. 6**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, AMENDING 2006-2007 RESOLUTION NO. 3 RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING REINSPECTION FEES.**

City Manager Johnson said this fee is necessary as the City's inspectors in some situations are making multiple trips for the same inspection. It was noted that Inspector Derek Graham had made at least 8 trips for the same inspection for an Airbnb application. Inspector Steve Grant said he had made 3 inspections and the fire chief has made a few trips as well. Inspector Grant noted that the multiple trips are for house flippers and homeowners, but are not typical of area contractors. He said Greentech had been the world's worst for numerous trips.

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

**Citizen's Participation:**

Jim Stewart, Emerald Bay Drive; Terry Williamson, Swafford Road; and Nate Sanden, 10773 Loop Road with Keep Soddy-Daisy Beautiful addressed the Board regarding three upcoming projects. Mr. Sanden said that they will be hosting a litter cleanup challenge for teams from April 18 through April 24, 2022. He said that teams could select an area of the community or families could clean up their neighborhoods. He asked that anyone wishing to participate register through

their website. He further stated that bags, safety information and loaner vests would be provided. He said no one is to be on street pavement, the highway or narrow shoulder roads citing safety as their number one concern. He requested that the City collect the trash bags and said he would coordinate with Public Works Director Grant. Mr. Sanden said that a celebration would follow the cleanup with food and prizes for most trash collected, most bizarre item found, etc. He noted that 15 teams have already registered which include Ivy Academy, Daisy Elementary, Feathers and Fruit and Warren & Griffin a law firm out of Chattanooga. City Manager Johnson asked that the Police Dispatcher be informed of designated clean up areas. Mr. Sanden said he would.

Terry Williamson gave the Board an update on the mural project. She presented the Board with two submittals that have been received. She said that Pam Glaser has put a book together of art work for the project. She said this will be the first art installation in the City. She said this will be at Wimpy's Restaurant. She further stated that they are asking for the commissioner's input as well as input from the citizens as to which mural to choose. She said submissions will be displayed on May 6 at the Sanden's home (headquarters). She said the core committee will make the final decision along with Pam & David Smith, owners of Wimpy's. Mr. Stewart said that two grants had been received for the mural and there would be no cost to the City.

Mr. Stewart announced the Fall Festival in October. He requested the Board's approval to move the festival to the North Park citing parking as the reason, but the actual date has yet to be determined. Vice-Mayor Cothran suggested that they may want to plan it for the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in October. He said that with the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration now being held on the first Saturday in July and the Wall of Honor Ceremony being held on the first Saturday in May, it makes it easier for vendors and citizens to know when the annual event will occur. Mr. Stewart said they plan to add a 5K run

and a series of fun runs for kids. Vice-Mayor Cothran and Commissioner Shipley noted that the 5K run had been held in the past and was very popular for two years and then there was no participation. Commissioner Shipley said that the Fire and Police Departments would work with the organizers. Mr. Stewart requested approval of the Board to proceed with the planning. It was the consensus of the Board to grant approval to proceed.

City Manager Johnson said that a request had been made by Priority Waste, the City's trash collector, for a temporary fuel surcharge of \$6,140.33. He said that fuel has increased by 50 percent in the last 3-4 weeks. Priority Waste is requesting a 15 percent fuel surcharge. He said their contract allows for an increase for unusual changes in the cost of operation. It was noted that the temporary increase would be removed when costs fall back to \$3.25 a gallon or less. Commissioner Everett noted that this is the first time ever that Priority Waste has requested this type of increase.

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

City Manager Johnson and Police Chief Sneed requested approval to donate two licenses from the Motorola consoles to Hamilton County E-911 for all their help with the recent updated system. City Manager Johnson said that with each console purchase, 5 license are included. He said that the City has two consoles and will keep one licensed stored. He said John Stuermer the Executive Director of E-911 had requested to purchase 2 of the licenses at a cost of \$1,000 each. He suggested donating them as a thank you for their assistance. Chief Sneed said the license will be used for two mobile units and our dispatchers will have access to those mobile units in a crisis. Mayor Nunley asked if the licenses are renewable after a period of time. Chief Sneed said with each console, 5 licenses are purchased at a cost of \$5,000. He further stated it would be some time

before the City would purchase additional consoles. City Attorney Elliott questioned if the license were transferable. Chief Sneed stated yes. City Manger Johnson said yes, Motorola just needs the Board's permission to transfer them.

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

City Manager Johnson requested approval to surplus the Police Department transport van. He said it is no longer needed due to the Webex. Police Chief Sneed said that the Judge and the Jail both agree that Webex is the best option. He said only 1 or 2 prisoners are transported occasionally. City Manager Johnson said he feels they can surplus the van for more than the purchase price.

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

City Manager Johnson said a Mutual Aid Agreement was given to the Board for approval. He said we are already a part of the large mutual aid agreement, but the Sequoyah Volunteer Fire Department has requested the Mayor's signature on the agreement. Interim Fire Chief Dusty Morgan said we are already a part of this through the Mutual Aid Association. Sequoyah requested this document be signed as well for their upcoming ISO evaluation. He said it is a nationwide lingo versus mutual aid which is more localized . He said basically they are the same just different names. It has been done in the past for Dallas Bay, Sale Creek, etc.

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

Vice-Mayor Cothran announced a car show at Veterans Park, Saturday beginning at 9:00 a.m. to benefit the Lions Club. He announced the Wall of Honor Ceremony at Veterans Park,

Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. He said additional names will be added to the wall. He urged everyone to attend. He also announced the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration which for the first time will be held on the first Saturday in July. He said the event will last all day. He said the camping times, etc. will be determined at a later date. Vendor applications will be available on the website in the next few days.

Commissioner Coleman stated his concerns have all been addressed.

Commissioner Shipley expressed his appreciation to the Commission and City Manger for their financial generosity toward the North Park. He thanked Public Works Director Grant and his Department for all of their hard work. He said the season opener was held last Saturday and the crowd was the largest in KIDS Club history with over 1,200 in attendance. He said due to the improvements people want to come and play ball here.

Commissioner Everett said the parks are starting to look phenomenal and he knows that Public Works has spent a lot of time in the State Park as well. He thanked Mr. & Mrs. Sanden for their work. He said more public, private, non-profit, governmental partnerships really make a difference. He said their volunteer work has had an impact on the City.

Mayor Nunley commended the City Manager and Department Heads on the fantastic audit report. He said the City has invested a lot of money on park improvements over the past year. He said there are plans for additional tree plantings as well to provide shade. He thanked Public Works for their hard work as well. He announced early voting will be held at the Community Center, 190 Depot Street, from April 13 to April 28 with no voting on April 15<sup>th</sup> which is Good Friday.

Commissioner Shipley announced a softball tournament sponsored by the Soddy-Daisy High School Softball Team beginning on Thursday night to be held at the North Park. He encouraged everyone to attend and support the high school.

Mayor Nunley announced Easter Sunrise Service will be held at 7:00 a.m. on the stage at the North Park this year due to improvements that are underway at the State Park (Pine Tree Park).

Adjourned 7:46 p.m.

Recorder Burt Johnson

