

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF  
SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE WAS HELD  
ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 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

The minutes of the regular meeting held September 1, 2022 were approved as presented.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2022-2023 RESOLUTION NO. 2**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE,  
AMENDING 2021-2022 RESOLUTION NO. 7 ADOPTING THE CLASSIFICATION  
AND PAY PLAN FOR CITY EMPLOYEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023.**

City Manager Johnson said this amendment will allow for an additional laborer position  
in the Public Works Department.

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

Citizen's Participation: None.

City Manager Johnson requested approval of the Mayor's signature on an agreement with

Wiser Consultants. He said this is the sixth agreement with them and it pertains to the signalization. Mayor Nunley questioned the location of the signalization. City Manager Johnson said Thrasher Pike and Montlake Road. He said the cost is \$79,675.00.

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

City Manager Johnson said that he had participated in a zoom call on Friday with TRAINFO, a company that has technology that can predict crossing blockage 30 minutes out. He said he plans to research this further and to meet with John Stuermer with Hamilton County E-911. Commissioner Shipley suggested that the Railroad should pay for this. City Manager Johnson said the company states that Norfolk Southern endorses them. He said Hamilton County ranks 95<sup>th</sup> in crossing accidents. He said with a 30 minute notice EMS vehicles could save time. It was noted that Parkridge Hospital has questioned the crossing at Harrison Lane relative to the new proposed Emergency Room facility. He said this would most likely be a long and potentially expense process.

City Manager Johnson stated that he and Public Works Director Grant have reviewed the RFQs from architects for the new building. He said five RFQs were received and they have narrowed it down to two, MBI and Allen & Hoshall. He said it will be 3 weeks until the Board meets again and requested that he and Public Works Director Grant be given approval to choose one of the two. Commissioner Shipley asked if both firms are local. City Manager Johnson said yes and one has stated that if chosen they can begin work the next week. Commissioner Shipley questioned the cost. City Manger Johnson said the RFQs do not give a cost estimate. He said the cost is typically 10 percent of the estimated construction cost.

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Commissioner Shipley to give approval to City Manager Johnson and Public Works Director Grant to choose the architect

2<sup>nd</sup> - Vice-Mayor Cothran  
Ayes - Unanimous

Public Works Director Grant stated that Ducktown Street had been paved earlier in the day. He said Dayton Pike near Karen Drive was also patched. He stated it is not perfect, but is better than it was.

Vice-Mayor Cothran said the guardrails are looking good and thanked the Public Works Department for their work on maintaining them. He noted the monthly building permit report.

Commissioner Shipley said that he had contacted Assistant Recorder Dolberry, City Manger Johnson and Building Inspector Grant relative to Short-Term Rentals. He said there are only 3 or 4 rentals that are operating with the proper permitting in the City. He asked if the neighbors are notified when a request it made. It was noted that they are not. Commissioner Shipley said he felt they should be notified anytime a business goes into a residential area and in his opinion a short-term rental is a business. He asked the Commission if they would be in favor of having the City Attorney to review the current ordinance. He said the City of Chattanooga currently has a moratorium on short-term rentals and that Hamilton County is reviewing their ordinance. He suggested having the City Attorney to review the City's ordinance before they get out of control in the City. He said more and more people from out of town are buying properties within the City and big corporations are purchasing foreclosures out from under individuals as well. It was the consensus of the Board to have City Attorney Elliott to review the City's ordinance. City Attorney Elliott stated that he would prepare a moratorium resolution for the next meeting to allow time to review Chattanooga's study as well.

Commissioner Everett said that he has received calls concerning littering within the City. He said there is a law for commercial vehicles to tarp their loads. He said individuals are hauling debris to the dump without tarps and the debris is being strewn on the streets. He asked if

individuals could be made to tarp their loads as well. City Attorney Elliott said he would look into this.

Commissioner Shipley said that in discussion with Judges and the District Attorney's Office they are on board with using incarcerated individuals for litter cleanup. Mayor Nunley questioned the amount of a fine for littering. City Attorney Elliott stated that the City can only impose a \$50 per day fine for City Ordinances. He said the Judge can impose a larger fine, but it would require a jury trial. City Attorney Elliott said he would check on this as well.

Mayor Nunley announced that Keep Soddy-Daisy Beautiful will be hosting a cleanup in the Gulf on October 1<sup>st</sup> beginning at 9:00 a.m. The North Hamilton County Council of the Chamber of Commerce will be hosting Quarterly Coffee, an event on September 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Veterans Park to celebrate the recent renovations of the park. The Humane Society will be in attendance for adoptions to dedicate the renovated dog park, free coffee will be served. He said on September 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. the Holy Spirit Catholic Church will provide breakfast for first responders. He announced the Grand Reopening of the Soddy-Daisy Wal-Mart on October 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. City Manger Johnson stated that the new store manager is very active in the community.

Mayor Nunley recognized Katie Luck, a collegiate high school student in attendance. He also recognized Mark Penney and Mark Keith both of whom are candidates for the City Commission. He suggested that they attend the upcoming events.

Commissioner Coleman stated that the Kids Club is using the north park facilities for games and practices but continually leave trash scattered in the park and on the fences. He said that the Kids Club needs to be responsible and clean up after their games and practices. He said he does not feel this is the Public Works Department's responsibility. City Manager Johnson

said the coaches could be contacted concerning this. Public Works Director Grant said that the Kids Club Director Trey Shipley has spoken to the coaches. Commissioner Shipley said with 650+ kids registered with the Kids Club, the coaches and parents should be able to help keep the park clean. City Manger Johnson said the City would look into this.

Adjourned 7:24 p.m.

Recorder Burt Johnson