

City of Townsend

Beer Board and Commission Meeting Minutes

For

April 15, 2014

Attendance: Attending the meeting was Mayor Michael Talley, Vice Mayor Becky Headrick, Commissioner Jackie Suttles, Commissioner Ron Palewski, Commissioner Kenny Myers, Recorder Shelia Moss, Police Chief Ron Suttles, Code Enforcement Officer Andy Morton, Fire Chief Don Stallions, Belinda and Terry Haley, Iva Butler and one other citizen.

Called Beer Board: Chairwoman Headrick opened the Beer Board meeting at 7:00pm. She explained that Mrs. Belinda Haley has applied for an on premise beer permit for Country Fish House located at 7613 Old Highway 73. Vice Mayor Headrick explained that Chief Suttles had performed the required background check for this application and it was clear. Commissioner Myers made a motion to approve the on premise beer permit for Country Fish House. Commissioner Palewski seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

There being no further business, Chairwoman Headrick closed the beer board meeting at 7:03pm.

Regular City Commission

Pledge: Mayor Talley opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:04 pm.

Minutes: Vice Mayor Headrick made a motion to approve the March 18, 2014 minutes. Commissioner Myers seconded and the motion passed with 4 yea votes. Commissioner Suttles had left the room momentarily. Vice Mayor Headrick made a motion to approve the March 31, 2014 minutes. Commissioner Suttles seconded and the motion passed with 3 yea votes. Commissioners Myers and Palewski abstained.

Finance Report: Recorder Moss presented the finance reports for the month of March 2014. Mayor Talley made a motion to approve the March 2014 finance reports. Vice Mayor Headrick seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

There was some discussion about the Roadscapes Grant. Mayor Talley made a motion to pursue this grant. Commissioner Myers seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

Police Report: Chief Suttles reported that everything was going good and that all officers had completed their in-service training for the year. He also mentioned that he anticipated the purchase of uniforms and three sets of tires before the end of the fiscal year. There was some discussion about the black 1998 Crown Victoria being donated by Mrs. McCleary to the Townsend Police Department.

Maintenance: Chief Suttles reported that Mr. Glen McCampbell has begun mowing and has been working in the barn at the city park. He reported that the seasonal salt had been moved to the barn for storage. He reported that the backhoe was rattling and that he was concerned about the mower. Chief Suttles mentioned that he never received a return call on having the bucket truck inspected and that using the uninspected truck is a judgement call for the City Commission to make. He reported that the raised pavement on the bike trail needs to be painted again and that the left section needs to be replaced. Chief Suttles stated that spring clean-up will be from May 10, 2014 to May 26, 2014.

There was some discussion about the Old Highway 73 survey. Commissioner Myers mentioned there was a sixty foot right of way when that area was in the County. Commissioner Palewski made a motion to accept the concept for relocation. Commissioner Suttles seconded and the motion passed with 4 yea votes. Commissioner Myers abstained. Mayor Talley suggested that the Commission give

Vice Mayor Headrick the authority to approach Blount County Highway Superintendent Bill Dunlap for assistance. Commissioner Myers stated that the Commission may want to get Chief Suttles involved since he and Mr. Dunlap are friends. Mayor Talley asked Vice Mayor Headrick to reach out to Mr. Dunlap and that the City will use its own resources to prepare the site.

Fire: Chief Stallions reported that there have been a lot of medical calls. He also reported that the fire department has been involved in search and rescue. Chief Stallions mentioned that one of the firemen will be receiving a special award relating to an accident on December 11, 2011. Information about the award and recipient is to be released at a later date.

Recreation: No Report

Library: Mayor Talley asked the Commission to review the Library report that was submitted in writing at their own leisure.

Old Business

Ordinance 273-14-1C, Regulations for Impound and Sale Proceed Disbursement: Commissioner Myers stated that he disagrees with this Ordinance. He also stated that he has researched this topic and that this is not going on anywhere. Commissioner Palewski stated that he is in favor of the proceeds from the sale of seized vehicles going into the drug fund. Mayor Talley stated that he would like to keep it the way it is but also wants to follow the Tennessee Code Annotated. Commissioner Myers stated that he will never support this Ordinance. There was a lot of discussion however, this item was postponed.

New Business

Lynn Valentine – Mountain Avenue Water Tank Access: Commissioner Myers mentioned that there is a stipulation in the original contract that allows the property owner to revoke the right of way to the water tank. He stated that the water department is requesting to create a right of way to the water tank on the city park property. There was some discussion about relocating the road to the water tank. Commissioner Palewski stated that he would like to see a draft document. Mayor Talley requested that Commissioner Myers work with the Water Department on a draft contract for the next City Commission meeting.

Ordinance 274-14-1P, Alcohol Manufacturing Facilities: Mayor Talley introduced Ordinance 274-14-1P which was drafted by the Townsend Planning Commission. There was some discussion. Mayor Talley read the heading aloud. Commissioner Myers made a motion to approve Ordinance 274-14-1P as written. Commissioner Palewski seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

*Mayor Talley asked Mr. Morton to explain the next five Ordinances. Mr. Morton explained that the City is an jurisdiction and that he is certified in certain areas. He also stated that the City has to be within seven years of the current codes.

Ordinance 276-14-1C, 2012 International Building Code: Mayor Talley read the heading aloud. Commissioner Myers made a motion to approve Ordinance 276-14-1C as written. Commissioner Palewski seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

Ordinance 277-14-1C, 2012 International Residential Code: Mayor Talley read the heading aloud. Commissioner Myers made a motion to approve Ordinance 277-14-1C as written. Commissioner Suttles seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

Ordinance 278-14-1C, 2012 International Plumbing Code: Mayor Talley read the heading aloud. Commissioner Palewski made a motion to approve Ordinance 278-14-1C as written. Vice Mayor Headrick seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

Ordinance 279-14-1C, 2012 International Mechanical Code: Mayor Talley read the heading aloud. Commissioner Myers made a motion to approve Ordinance 279-14-1C as written. Vice Mayor Headrick

seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

Ordinance 280-14-1C, 2012 International Property Maintenance Code: Mayor Talley read the heading aloud. There was some discussion about abandoned structures and overgrowth. Commissioner Palewski made a motion to approve Ordinance 280-14-1C as written. Mayor Talley seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

There being no further business, Commissioner Myers made a motion to adjourn at 9:03PM. Commissioner Suttles seconded and the motion passed with 5 yea votes.

Shelia Moss

Approved: _____ date _____
Title: _____