

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE WAS HELD
ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR CAGLE

VICE-MAYOR NUNLEY

COMMISSIONER ADAMS

COMMISSIONER SHIPLEY

COMMISSIONER SKATES

CITY MANAGER STULCE

CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT

CITY RECORDER JOHNSON

Christmas Parade trophies were presented by Robert Cothran and Dawn Patton. The winners were: School winner – Sale Creek Cheerleaders; Church winner – Stuart Heights Baptist Church; Judge’s choice – Thunder Ridge Raceway; Business winner – Mark’s Toys; and Organization winner – Middle Valley Cheerleaders.

Mayor Cagle presented Bi-Lo with a proclamation recognizing them for their support of the Soddy-Daisy Community and the Soddy-Daisy Food Bank.

The minutes of the meeting held December 5, 2013 were approved as presented.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

None.

Citizens Participation:

None.

City Manager Stulce asked the Board to instruct Wisser Consultants on how to proceed with the final design plans for the Intersections Improvement and Turn Lane Extension from the 9100 Block to the 9500 Block of Dayton Pike Project. Commissioner Adams made a motion for Wisser Consultants

to proceed with design plans to add curb and gutters to the west side of Dayton Pike, add a traffic signal at the access point between Zaxby's and Taco Bell and to leave the other access points as they are currently. The motion died due to a lack of a second. Commissioner Skates made a motion for Wisser Consultants to proceed with the process to acquire the five needed easements with the City of Soddy-Daisy providing 100% of the funding, seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley and the ayes were unanimous. Commissioner Skates made a motion for Wisser Consultants to proceed with final design plans to add curb and gutters on the west side of Dayton Pike and to leave the access points as they are currently constructed, seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley, the ayes were Mayor Cagle, Vice-Mayor Nunley, Commissioner Shipley and Commissioner Skates with Commissioner Adams voting nay. Commissioner Shipley asked Mr. Clark to get cost estimates to add a right-in/right-out at the access point between Zaxby's and Taco Bell while he was preparing the final design. Mr. Clark stated that he would.

City Manager Stulce said the City has been awarded \$3,200,000 for a resurfacing project. He said the City advertised a "Request for Qualifications" for engineering and consulting services as required by TDOT. City Manager Stulce recommended securing the services of Wisser Consultants. Commissioner Skates made a motion to accept the City Manager's recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Shipley and the ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Stulce said the City advertised for a "Request for Qualifications" for architectural and engineering services to apply for a Community Development Block Grant to build a fire hall to replace Fire Hall #3. He said the Fire Chief assembled a "building committee" to review the qualifications of the firms that were submitted. City Manager Stulce said the committee recommended Brewer Ingram Fuller Architects Inc. He said they have worked on several "Block Grants" and have worked with the Southeast Tennessee Development District, which will be applying

for and administering the Grant, if awarded. Vice-Mayor Nunley made a motion to secure the services of Brewer Ingram Fuller Architects Inc., seconded by Commissioner Skates and the ayes were unanimous.

City Attorney Elliott reminded the Board that the term of the City's appointment to the Water Quality Board is about to expire. Mayor Cagle said Commissioner Adams is currently on this Board and is familiar with it. She said she would like to reappoint Commissioner Adams to the Water Quality Board and he accepted.

City Manager Stulce stated he needed voucher approval to pay the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS) for funds not paid on behalf of Police Chief Phillip Hamrick while he was on military leave. He said this is something the Board agreed to do in support of the military. He gave the amount as \$4,107.54 and stated it would need to be paid out of the "Unbudgeted Funds" line item. Commissioner Skates made a motion to pay the \$4,107.54 to the TCRS on behalf of Police Chief Hamrick, seconded by Commissioner Shipley and the ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Stulce said the Board has quotes in their packets for state contract pricing for four different vehicles of which two would be purchased for the administrative department. He said one vehicle would be assigned to Finance Director Burt Johnson and the other would be assigned to himself, which he would leave at City Hall for the staff and the Board to use if needed. He stated the Board included two (2) vehicles for a total of \$55,000 in the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget. City Manager Stulce recommended purchasing a Ford Taurus for the use of Finance Director Johnson and said he would like for the Board to decide on the purchase of the second vehicle. Commissioner Adams made a motion to accept the City Manager's recommendation to purchase two (2) vehicles on State Contract price, one being a Ford Taurus for the use of Finance Director Johnson and a Ford Explorer for the second vehicle, seconded by Commissioner Shipley and the ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Stulce stated he wanted to share some statistics with the Board. He said the police department had 14,789 complaints documented in 2013. He said the fire department went on 992 calls and dispatch received 81,704 calls in 2013.

Fire Chief Mike Guffey approached the Board and stated that currently the fire department has a 2004 F-550 that they use as a rescue vehicle. He said the truck is not large enough to hold all of the equipment. He stated there are no current mechanical issues but initially it had transmission and turbo problems. Fire Chief Guffey said the warranty has expired and he would like permission from the Board to travel to Arizona to look at an E1 Heavy Rescue truck to replace the current one. He said they have been able to get the price lowered to \$50,000. Fire Chief Guffey said the current rescue truck could be sold for \$25,000 to \$35,000. Mayor Cagle said she would like to keep the current rescue truck for a “standby” so that there would not be an issue in the future of “out growing” a vehicle. Commissioner Skates made a motion to approve the travel to Arizona and for the fire department to spend no more than \$50,000 to purchase the E1 Heavy Rescue vehicle, seconded by Commissioner Shipley and the ayes were unanimous.

Commissioner Adams said he received a compliment in regard to the City’s first responders from Buck Johnson. He said Mr. Johnson’s wife recently fell and he had high praise for the two men that responded to the call.

Commissioner Adams stated that the bottom part of Rock Quarry Road is in terrible condition and needs to be paved. Public Works Director Steve Grant agreed and said whether or not to pave it would be a decision the Board will have to make.

Vice-Mayor Nunley said the Parks and Recreation Board will meet in the next week or two. He asked Pam Glaser from the Regional Planning Agency if she had anything to share with the Board. Ms. Glaser said she and Vice-Mayor Nunley met with a representative from the Trust for Public Land

and toured him around the City. She said they could be a good partner in developing the parks. Ms. Glaser said the Water Quality Board and the Lyndhurst Foundation are both excited about the Soddy-Daisy area and could be of some assistance in developing the parks as well.

Commissioner Skates congratulated City Attorney Elliott on the article he had published in the Sunday edition of the Chattanooga Times Free Press.

ADJOURNED 7:46 P.M.

RECORDER JOHNSON