

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE WAS HELD
ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR NUNLEY
VICE-MAYOR SKATES
COMMISSIONER COTHRAN
COMMISSIONER SHIPLEY
CITY MANAGER CAGLE
RECORDER JOHNSON

MEMBERS ABSENT:

COMMISSIONER ADAMS
CITY ATTORNEY ELLIOTT

The minutes of the regular meeting held October 1, 2015 were approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

2015-2016 RESOLUTION NO. __

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SODDY-DAISY, TENNESSEE, AMENDING 2014-
2015 RESOLUTION NO. 7 ADOPTING THE CLASSIFICATION AND PAY PLAN FOR
CITY EMPLOYEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016.**

1st - Commissioner Cothran to table until the next commission meeting.
2nd - Commissioner Shipley
Ayes - Unanimous

Hamilton County Commissioner Randy Fairbanks presented the City with a check for \$11,350 to help resurface the walking track at the Veterans Park. Commissioner Shipley thanked Commissioner Fairbanks for using a portion of his discretionary funds to assist the City in resurfacing the walking track.

Citizens Participation:

Jackie Penney, 2014 Hyatte Road, requested for the Board to take into consideration that 50 to 60 percent of the residents in the City of Soddy-Daisy are on Social Security and did not receive an increase from the Federal Government this past year before they vote to give raises to City employees.

Missy Redden, 8430 Hidden Cove Lane, complained to the Board in regard to a barking dog and animal cruelty problem. City Manager Cagle said she would contact the Humane Society to make sure they come out and check on the situation.

Lee Stewart, 233 Layne Road, complained about the drug problem on Layne Road. He questioned the Board if they could get the police department to do something about it. Police Chief Phillip Hamrick stated he would increase patrol on Layne Road.

City Manager Cagle requested voucher approval to pay Motorola \$19,723.17 for replacement of the police and fire radios that were damaged due to the lightening that struck the Municipal Building in July. Vice-Mayor Skates made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Cothran and the ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Cagle requested voucher approval to pay Southeastern Materials \$14,298.05 for asphalt to resurface Dallas Hollow Road. Commissioner Cothran made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Shipley and ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Cagle requested authorization to enter into an interlocal agreement with other municipalities in Hamilton County to help fund the hire of Davis Lundy, a strategic communications consultant, to represent the City at the county and state level. Commissioner Cothran stated that this would be a good thing for Soddy-Daisy to have such representation. Mayor Nunley said this person would stay educated on items affecting cities and would speak on

“our” behalf. Mayor Nunley stated this person will have other job duties in addition to representing Soddy-Daisy in Nashville. Commissioner Cothran made a motion to enter into the agreement, seconded by Vice-Mayor Skates and the ayes were unanimous.

City Manager Cagle asked the Board if they would like to change the condemnation hearing scheduled for November 19th to a night in which there is no commission meeting. It was the consensus of the Board to change the date.

Pam Glaser, Parks and Recreation Board Chairman, requested permission from the Board to advertise for a “Request for Services” in order to receive drawings and cost estimates for improvements to the North Park at Soddy Lake. She stated this would help achieve efficient use of the land and assist in getting grant money to make improvements. Ms. Glaser said the budget limit for this would be \$10,000. City Manager Cagle explained to the Board that they are not approving to pay \$10,000 at this time but they are approving to advertise for the Request for Services. Vice-Mayor Skates requested for Ms. Glaser to try to get college engineering and environmental students involved. She stated sometimes they need to perform these types of projects for a class they are enrolled in. City Manager Cagle informed the Board that drawings usually needed to be included in the grant application process. Commissioner Shipley made a motion to advertise for a “Request for Services”, seconded by Vice-Mayor Skates and the ayes were unanimous. City Manager Cagle said a committee will be assembled to review the submittals and make a recommendation to the Board.

Commissioner Cothran questioned if the Board would like for parade participants to continue to give out candy at the Christmas Parade. He stated that he attended a class taught by the Tennessee Municipal League (TML) and they recommended that it not be thrown out from the floats. Commissioner Cothran said it was a liability issue for the City. Commissioner

Shipley questioned how the City would control this. Commissioner Cothran stated he would add language to the application form to not throw candy. He said he could also put on the form that candy could be handed out by walkers only. Vice-Mayor Skates said if the commissioners did not throw out candy during the parade, they could spend that money on food for the Christmas in the Park Celebration. It was the consensus of the Board to not allow participants to throw candy from the floats and to only allow the distribution of candy by walkers in the parade.

Commissioner Cothran stated he would like to change the date of the Christmas in the Park Celebration. He said last year it was on the same day as the parade. He stated that having both events creates a long day for several people and it seemed to hurt the attendance. Vice-Mayor Skates suggested having the Christmas in the Park Celebration on the Sunday after Thanksgiving. It was the consensus of the Board to have the celebration on November 29th starting at 4:00 p.m.

Dede Shipley, 11668 Walker Road, requested for the Board to have Santa Clause show up earlier this year for the celebration. She said a lot of the kids are tired and have a hard time waiting for Santa to arrive. City Manager Cagle said she would put in a request for an earlier arrival.

Mayor Nunley announced that the Soddy-Daisy High School JROTC will be having a Veterans' Day event starting at 9:00 a.m. on November 10th.

Mayor Nunley announced the Firemen's Muster is Saturday beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Mayor Nunley announced the City will have the gates open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Big Soddy Creek Gulf on Saturday.

Vice-Mayor Skates said Soddy-Daisy High School wants to purchase an electronic sign to go out in front of the school property on Sequoyah Road. She said they are soliciting donations to help with the cost. She encouraged everyone to donate.

Commissioner Cothran informed everyone that it is the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War. He said there will be a ceremony at the National Cemetery on November 11th at 11:00 a.m.

Mayor Nunley stated that the First Baptist Church of Soddy-Daisy will host a lunch on November 11th and everyone is invited. He stated that veterans eat for free.

ADJOURNED 8:08 P.M.

RECORDER JOHNSON