

**TOWN OF DANDRIDGE, TENNESSEE
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
Regular Meeting
10 July 2018**

I. PUBLIC HEARING

Special Occasion Beer Permit, Michael D. Dockery for the Dandridge Scots-Irish Festival, September 29, 2018, 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. (to be sold via the parking lot in the rear of 145 E. Main Street, Dandridge)

No comments

II. CALL TO ORDER

A. The Dandridge Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA) met in a regular session at the Dandridge Police Department/Public Works Building in Dandridge, Tennessee on Tuesday, the 10th day of July 2018.

B. Mayor GEORGE GANTTE was present and presiding. Mayor GANTTE called the meeting to order immediately following the Beer Board Meeting.

III. ROLL CALL

A. A roll call of the BMA was conducted with the following members responding:

- Mayor GEORGE GANTTE
- Alderman MIKE CHAMBERS
- Alderman JEFF DEPEW
- Alderman JESSICA ELDER
- Alderman MIKE NELSON
- Alderman MARIANNE REESE

ABSENT: Vice-Mayor TODD KESTERSON

B. A quorum being present, the following business was conducted and entered on the record:

The Pledge and Invocation was led by Alderman Mike Chambers.

IV. READING OF THE MINUTES

It came on a motion by Alderman ELDER, seconded by Alderman REESE, to approve the Regular Session minutes of the June 12, 2018 meeting as written.

On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously, and was so ordered.

V. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- Darrell Miller, 522 Hwy 139, Map 76, Parcel 41.01, Annexation Inquiry

Mr. Miller was inquiring on his chance to be annexed into the city limits as a B-4 zone and being provided sewer. Currently located in the county A-1 zone. Plan to reside on property with a small restaurant, distillery, lodge, and a venue for weddings and music, outdoor concerts, etc, tiki hut on the water. Current distillery is 1,500 sq.ft. The proposed distillery would possibly double in size and consist of several small buildings, one for fermenting, one for distilling, one for bottling. Could also charge for tours. Will sell on/off premise by the drink and by the jar. Customers to distillery are ID'd with a scanner, can visit once a week for five free samples, beyond that the customer then pays for the samples. Family oriented with two daughters and a son who will be employed. Will not be required to have a dry system as that is only required with over a 500 gallon still.

James (venue coordinator): in business for three years in Knoxville area, never had a DUI from one of his attendees that he is aware of, area will be completely fenced with own security team (many who are Knoxville police officers), jackets removed, purses searched, nothing allowed in, intoxicated persons are shut off and sent home via personal driver or taxi. Concert goers do not leave with anything in hands, except what was brought, and do not leave drunk. Gated concert venue. 110 decibel max on sound equipment at the stage.

Mayor Gantte informed Mr. Miller that typically it is up to the developer to install infrastructure when requesting annexation.

Several citizens in attendance.

Citizens voiced against: Sygrid Yancey (lives 2 blocks away), Daniel Sparks (lives on back side of property), person concerned with fire codes and sewage release, person that just moved here from California, Bonnie Johnson (Martha Dandridge Circle), Michael Hasty (owns three pieces of adjacent property), Bev Romines (partner in downtown business), Chuck Inman (lives on Hwy.139, 3-4 doors down), Deborah Winkler (Briarwood), Jeremiah Baker (Treasure Lane), Bob (lives up the hill), Steve Romines, Rec Vanhorn (Southwind)

Concerns: quality of life for surrounding neighbors, nuisance that comes with business, changing neighborhood, public intoxication, strain on water system, wear and tear on road, noise, safety/security, drunk drivers, folks roaming the streets and neighbors' yards, don't need a nightclub/bar, no win for city, huge losses for area citizens, odor.

VI. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS

None presented.

VII. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR

- EDA (Economic Development Alliance) met and voted to have the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce to take over the EDA employees and functions effective August 1, 2018.
- EDA has been working with a RV dealer interested in the 417 area.

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT BY THE TOWN RECORDER

<u>Bank Balance:</u>	<u>BMA Acct:</u>	\$1,365,411.81	<u>Drug Fund Balance:</u>	\$ 45,317.26
	<u>DWMF:</u>	\$1,556,742.04	<u>DVFD Balance:</u>	\$386,728.13

IX. PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- First Reading of **Ordinance No. 18/19-02** Revising the Water and Sewer Rates of the Town

Includes the increase of the E-1 pump monthly charge of \$30.00 that was previously approved via Resolution No.17/18-19.

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman NELSON, to approve Ordinance No.18/19-02 on first reading.

A roll call was asked for and the BMA responded as follows:

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	AYE
Alderman DEPEW	AYE	Alderman REESE	AYE
Alderman ELDER	AYE	Mayor GANTTE	AYE

On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously, and was so ordered.

- **Resolution No. 18/19-01** Authorizing the Town to Participate in the Pool’s “*Safety Partners*” Matching Grant Program

Police Dept will apply for 4 bullet proof vests at no cost to the Town. 50% matching grant. Will also utilize the Bullet Proof Vest grant that reimburses 50%.

Alderman Chambers suggested that old vests be donated to a smaller department in need.

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Alderman ELDER, to approve Resolution No.18/19-01.

On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously, and was so ordered.

- **Resolution No. 18/19-02** Amending Section IV.E. of the Town of Dandridge Personnel Handbook Regarding Pay Method

Reflects bi-weekly payroll.

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman ELDER, to approve Resolution No.18/19-02.

On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously, and was so ordered.

X. OLD BUSINESS

None presented.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- East Dumplin Valley Road Paving Project - Utilization of State Contract to Pave East Dumplin Valley Road

Previous bids were rejected. State Contract via Harrison Construction (APAC) to complete the project at \$154,617.50. \$93,000 was budgeted from state street aid funds. Remaining funds (\$61,617.50) will be used via fund balance.

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman REESE, to utilize the state contract contingent on the cost not exceeding \$154,617.50.

A roll call was asked for and the BMA responded as follows:

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	AYE
Alderman DEPEW	AYE	Alderman REESE	AYE
Alderman ELDER	AYE	Mayor GANTTE	AYE

On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously, and was so ordered.

- Fire Engine Purchase Utilizing Sourcewell Contract

Previously approved the purchase and equipment of a new fire engine at a total cost of \$430,000.

Commercial Fire Engine thru Pierce utilizing Sourcewell (NJPA) contract for a total purchase price of \$375,943.00.

Down payment would utilize a 4% discount (\$250,000 down would utilize a \$10,000 saving)

*Funds for down payment for firetruck = \$50,000 from DVFD money market account
 \$50,000 from Town of Dandridge General Fund Balance
 \$150,000 from DVFD donation account*

Will need an additional \$40-45,000 to stock new truck. Will surplus a used fire truck.

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman REESE, to make a down payment of \$250,000 towards the purchase of a new fire truck.

A roll call was asked for and the BMA responded as follows:

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	AYE
Alderman DEPEW	AYE	Alderman REESE	AYE
Alderman ELDER	AYE	Mayor GANTTE	AYE

On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously, and was so ordered.

- Questions on monthly reports/updates?
 - FODAC Chris Shockley –
 - Music on the Town begins August 23rd, sponsorship letters have been sent, seeking recommendations for local veterans to be honored.
 - Jimmy Moore has been hired to replace Pete Hayes position at the FOD.
 - DVFD Andy Riley –
 - Fireworks sales made a profit of approx. \$17,000 with a complete sell out.
 - Still receiving donations from mail out requests.
 - Police Dept Carson Williams –
 - Repeater building site – building has been installed, heat/air installed, co ax installed, waiting on FCC for approval to re-locate. Will need assistance with electrical work.
 - Public Works Donald Whaley –
 - Assisted with Gregg Gann’s retirement celebration.
 - Repairing yards sowing grass on the Dumplin Valley Road widening project.
 - Mowing/cutting back on Hwy 92 and other city streets.
 - Town Administrator Matt Rudder –
 - Thanked public works and police dept for rolls played during June Jubilee.
 - The Town was denied the previously applied for Dog Park Grant.
 - DRF (Dandridge Recreation Foundation) has chosen to dissolve. TA and C. Shockley have met with representatives from SJLL and Dandridge Broncos and working on an agreement with each entity.
 - Employee wide meeting at 8:20 on July 11th to discuss recent employee changes and town expectations.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS
None presented.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman ELDER, that the meeting of July 10, 2018 be adjourned.

On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously, and was so ordered.

George Gantte, Mayor
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ATTEST:

Cathy Dixon Town Recorder