

**TOWN OF DANDRIDGE, TENNESSEE  
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
Regular Meeting  
13 November 2018**

**I. 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018.
- B. Mayor GEORGE GANTTE was present and presiding. Mayor GANTTE called the meeting to order immediately following the Beer Board Meeting.

**II. 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 DWMF Superintendent Mike Norton.

**III. READING OF THE MINUTES**

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to approve the Regular Session minutes of the October 9, 2018 meeting as written.

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

**IV. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

- Pete Martin, Farmers Market:
  - Thanked BMA for presenting Music on the Town
  - Gave 2018 Farmers Market update. Thanked BMA for allowing market to continue. 25 markets were held between May 5, 2018 – October 27, 2018. Total sales for the 2018 year were \$39,116.10, making 2018 one of the best market years. Markets ranged with 5 to 10 vendors. Handmade crafts were allowed this year. Vendors are happy with how the market is run.

**V. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

None presented.

**VI. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR**

- Mayor Gantte congratulated those re-elected in the recent election, Mike Chambers, Jeff Depew, and Todd Kesterson.

- Chief of Police Carson Williams introduced new officers, Austin Hux and Michael Shelton.

**VII. FINANCIAL REPORT BY THE TOWN RECORDER**

<u>Bank Balance:</u>	<u>BMA Acct:</u>	\$1,569,518.67	<u>Drug Fund Balance:</u>	\$110,788.49
			<u>DVFD Balance:</u>	\$309,549.86

**VIII. PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

- **Resolution No.18/19-08** Authorizing the Town of Dandridge to Participate in the Public Entity Partners Property Conservation Matching Grant Program

*This is a 50% matching grant, DVFD will use the grant to enhance security systems at station 1, the DVFD match will come from the donation account, total \$8,000 grant, \$4,000 match.*

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman DEPEW, to approve Resolution No.18/19-08.

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

**IX. OLD BUSINESS**

None presented.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

- Grant Contract Approval with the State of TN Department of Agriculture (\$1,000 grant)

*This is a 100% grant that the Farmers Market will utilize \$1,000 for advertising.*

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman ELDER, to approve the grant contract.

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

- Grant Contract Approval with the State of TN Department of Agriculture and DVFD (Total Project = \$5,934, Grant = \$2,967, Match = \$2,967)

*DVFD grant, 50% match, \$1,500 to come out of existing line items, \$1,500 to come out of donation account, to purchase 5 sets of wildland firefighting gear as well as forestry nozzles and hoses.*

It came on a motion by Alderman ELDER, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to approve the grant contract.

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

- Target Solutions Software Program for DVFD

*This is an accredited online training program that DVFD volunteer firefighters can utilize at any time anywhere. Total cost will be \$2,976 per year and paid via the donation account. Firefighters will also utilize live/hands on fire training in addition to the online training.*

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman REESE, to approve the purchase of the software program.

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.

- Mark Jackson, Scope of Work, Dandridge/TVA Shoreline Located off Circle Drive

*A client (James Cassell) is requesting to clear some trees/vegetation/undergrowth on Town of Dandridge property along the lake off of Circle Drive and Hillview Street. Adjoining neighbors have cleared land under the jurisdiction of the Town and TVA. The enhancements and clearing were and will be made at no expense to the town, which in turn benefits beautification of the shoreline and the increase in property value and property tax revenues. It is proposed that trees/vegetation/undergrowth will be cleared. The use of a bulldozer and other equipment would clear the land, burn the trees and brush, smooth the surface back to its grade, plant grass and trees to make it more of a park like setting. Mr. Cassell will follow the recommendations of the Town and TVA and apply for any permits needed.*

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Alderman REESE, to approve the clearing and then plant 20 assorted flowering trees.

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

- 2019 Music on the Town

*2019 tentative schedule was presented:*

<i>8/29</i>	<i>The Tams</i>	<i>9/5</i>	<i>Joe Mullins</i>
<i>9/12</i>	<i>Russell Moore</i>	<i>9/19</i>	<i>Breaking Grass</i>
<i>9/26</i>	<i>Band of Oz</i>	<i>10/3</i>	<i>The Gibson Brothers</i>

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Alderman ELDER, to approve the event for 2019 and sign contracts to book performers.

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.

- Swearing In Ceremony (Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m., Town Hall)
- DVFD Christmas Parade (Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 p.m.)
- BMA Special Called meeting (Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.)
- Department Head Monthly Reports
  - DWMF Superintendent Mike Norton
    - They have finished the main water line and completing testing and chlorination. Estimated to complete by December 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Public Works Superintendent Donald Whaley
    - Banks on Hwy 92 have been cut.
    - The bank project on Hwy 25/70 & 66 has grass sprouting.
  - Parks/Rec Director Chris Shockley
    - Elementary basketball is wrapping up.
  - Fire Chief Andy Riley
    - Mayor Gantte recognized Andy and thanked him for being instrumental in recruiting a new company to Dandridge that could produce 30-40 new jobs.

- The new fire truck should be completed around April 2019.
- Town Administrator Matt Rudder
  - Reported that Local Option Sales Tax for August was up 9.79% over the previous fiscal year. An increase of 6.76% for the first two months of fiscal year 2018.

**XI. MISCELLANEOUS**

Alderman DEPEW reported that Merriment on Main Street will be held all day on November 24<sup>th</sup> to include the presence of reindeer at 10:30. Carriage rides will be offered on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Dandridge Christmas calendar of events can be followed via Facebook at Christmas in Historic Dandridge.

Christmas tree lighting will be held on November 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, that the meeting of November 13, 2018 be adjourned.

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

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George Gantte, Mayor  
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ATTEST:

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Cathy Dixon Town Recorder