

**TOWN OF DANDRIDGE, TENNESSEE
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
Regular Meeting
12 May 2020**

Per Executive Order No. 16 issued by Governor Bill Lee on March 20, 2020, the provisions of the Tennessee Open Meetings Act were suspended, to the extent necessary, to allow governing bodies to meet and conduct essential business by electronic means, as opposed to in person at the same location. The Town of Dandridge Board of Mayor and Aldermen determined that meeting electronically was necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of citizens of Dandridge and Jefferson County, due to COVID-19.

The May 12th meeting was accessible to BMA, the media, and the public by electronic means via a video conference meeting via Zoom.

Public access to the meeting was limited as there was no physical location for the meeting in order to protect the public's health, safety, and welfare.

To join the meeting by computer, simply use this link: <https://zoom.us/j/96260311577> (this may require a quick download of the zoom application to your computer)

To join the meeting by phone, simply dial the following number: 929-436-2866.

Follow the prompts, entering your meeting ID, followed by the # symbol.

Meeting ID: 962 6031 1577#

I. PUBLIC HEARING

- **Ordinance No.19/20-07** Amending Title 1 Chapter 1 Section 101 of the Dandridge Municipal Code (Meetings)

No comments.

- **Ordinance No.19/20-08** Amending Title 2 Chapter 1 Section 104 of the Dandridge Municipal Code (Workshop Committee)

No comments.

II. CALL TO ORDER

- A. The Dandridge Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA) met in a regular session via a video conference meeting via Zoom in Dandridge, Tennessee on Tuesday, the 12th day of May 2020.
- B. Mayor GEORGE GANTTE was present and presiding and called the meeting to order.

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
 - Vice-Mayor TODD KESTERSON
 - Alderman MIKE NELSON
 - Alderman MARIANNE REESE

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

IV. READING OF THE MINUTES

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman ELDER, to approve the Regular Session minutes of the April 14, 2020 meeting as written.

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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

V. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None presented.

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

None presented.

VII. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR

None presented.

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT BY THE TOWN RECORDER

<u>Bank Balance:</u>	<u>BMA Acct:</u>	\$2,102,643.71	<u>Drug Fund Balance:</u>	\$ 40,647.64
			<u>DVFD Balance:</u>	\$328,862.55

IX. PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- Final Reading of **Ordinance No.19/20-07** Amending Title 1 Chapter 1 Section 101 of the Dandridge Municipal Code (Meetings)

This changes the regular monthly meetings of the BMA from 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month, to 6:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

It came on a motion by Vice-Mayor KESTERSON, seconded by Alderman ELDER, to approve Ordinance No.19/20-07 on final 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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- Final Reading of **Ordinance No.19/20-08** Amending Title 2 Chapter 1 Section 104 of the Dandridge Municipal Code (Workshop Committee)

This deletes the workshop committee. BMA will no longer hold workshop meetings on the first Tuesday of each month, unless specifically needed for a designated project.

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to approve Ordinance No.19/20-08 on final 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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- First Reading of **Ordinance No.19/20-09** Amending Title 20 Chapter 6 Section 604 of the Dandridge Municipal Code (Dock – Activities Prohibited)

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to approve Ordinance No.19/20-09 on first reading.

Alderman NELSON suggested that police officers be given access to the dock cameras app so they can monitor from their vehicles.

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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- First Reading of **Ordinance No.19/20-10** FY19/20 Budget Amendment

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Vice-Mayor KESTERSON, to approve Ordinance No.19/20-10 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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- First Reading of **Ordinance No.19/20-11** Amending Title 1 Chapter 1 Section 118 of the Dandridge Municipal Code (Salary of Mayor and Aldermen)

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman ELDER, to approve Ordinance No.19/20-11 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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- First Reading of **Ordinance No.20/21-01** FY20/21 Budget

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to approve Ordinance No.20/21-01 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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- **Resolution No.19/20-10** Requesting the State Department of Finance and Administration for Initial Approval of a Project to Fund the Repaving of Existing Town Roads

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman DEPEW, to approve Resolution No.19/20-10.

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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

X. OLD BUSINESS

None presented.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- Contract Approval between the State of TN DOT & the Town of Dandridge for the Provision of the Routine Maintenance of State Routes

It came on a motion by Vice-Mayor KESTERSON, seconded by Alderman REESE, to approve the contract.

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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- Drought Management Plan for DWMF

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman NELSON, to approve the drought management plan.

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
Vice-Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

XII. MISCELLANEOUS

- Mayor GANTTE thanked the police department, public works department, and the parks/rec department for work during the recent paving project. A section was repaired/resealed on Gay St at the barber shop at the request of TDOT.
- Bethany Hopkins, Dandridge Memorial Library – update,
 - Phase 1 in reopening the library, following federal guidelines.
 - Approx 2 weeks before allowing patrons to enter the library.
 - Currently providing curbside pickup.
 - Will be applying for a CARES Act grant (video conferencing equip, safety & cleaning supplies).
 - Census grant (laptops, hotspots, drop in programs).
 - Trilight internet is being installed (\$10 more per month, but 3 times the speed).
 - Board games have been added to the library’s collection for check out.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman ELDER, that the meeting of May 12, 2020 be adjourned.

It was the consensus of the BMA to adjourn the meeting.

George Gantte, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cathy Dixon Town Recorder

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