

**TOWN OF DANDRIDGE, TENNESSEE
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
Regular Meeting
12 September 2017**

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 12th day of September 2017.
- 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
- Vice-Mayor TODD KESTERSON
- Alderman MIKE NELSON

Absent: Alderman MARIANNE REESE

- 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 August 8, 2017 meeting as written.

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

IV. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None presented.

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

None presented.

VI. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR

Mayor GANTTE thanked the police department, public works, water department and everyone that worked so hard last week to make the B.A.S.S. event successful. Many of the anglers were complimentary of the new dock.

VII. FINANCIAL REPORT BY THE TOWN RECORDER

<u>Bank Balance:</u>	<u>BMA Acct:</u>	\$1,544,759.99	<u>Drug Fund Balance:</u>	\$ 41,215.50
	<u>Money Market Balance:</u>	\$ -0-	<u>DVFD Balance:</u>	\$268,474.31

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

- Dock Internet & WiFi (Authorizing the Mayor to sign the HollerNet Terms and Conditions and Acceptable Use Policies / Authorizing HollerNet to install necessary wiring and Subscriber Unit (SU) required for wireless Internet Service at the Dock at a Yearly cost of \$1,000.00)

- Approval of Dock/Boat Slip Change Order with Dock It, LLC (Ordering and having delivered to Town of Dandridge Public Works Department, 267 Highway 25/70, Dandridge, TN 37725, 700 feet of 4/o type W mining cable. Change order is to be applied towards conduit contract. Price includes sales tax \$14,461.18)
- Change Order Approval – Brockwell Construction Contract Extension (300’ of 6” line remaining in the contract to be used to further replace the older section of line on Plainview Drive going towards the intersection of George Washington Drive. Request an additional 30 days contract time to install remaining 6” PVC.)
- Approval to Declare the following as Surplus Items:
 - (1) Electric pressure washer
 - (4) Desks
 - (1) Air powered post driver
 - (3) File cabinets
 - (1) Lot of used lights
 - (1) Lot of old electric drills/saws
 - Truck tool box

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman DEPEW, to accept all items within the consent agenda.

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

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	AYE
Alderman DEPEW	AYE		
Alderman ELDER	AYE	Mayor GANTTE	AYE
Vice Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

IX. PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- First Reading of **Ordinance No.17/18-02** Revising the Water and Sewer Rates of the Town of Dandridge (recommended >10% water, 15% sewer)

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Alderman KESTERSON, to accept Ordinance No.17/18-02 to reflect a 15% increase on sewer only for this fiscal year (no water increase).

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

Alderman CHAMBERS	NO	Alderman NELSON	NO
Alderman DEPEW	AYE		
Alderman ELDER	NO	Mayor GANTTE	NO
Vice Mayor KESTERSON	NO		

On a roll call vote, the motion failed 1-5 (with Aldermen CHAMBERS, ELDER, NELSON, Vice-Mayor KESTERSON, & Mayor GANTTE voting NO), and was so ordered.

It came on a motion by Vice-Mayor KESTERSON, seconded by Alderman ELDER, to accept Ordinance No.17/18-02 to reflect a 5% increase on water and 15% on sewer.

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

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	NO
Alderman DEPEW	NO		
Alderman ELDER	AYE	Mayor GANTTE	AYE
Vice Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

On a roll call vote, the motion passed 4-2 (with Aldermen DEPEW & NELSON voting NO), and was so ordered.

- **Resolution No.17/18-06** to Allow City, County or Special School District Board Members to Participate in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System in Accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapters 34-37

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman DEPEW, to roll this item to the next regular scheduled meeting.

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

- **Resolution No.17/18-07** Authorizing the Town of Dandridge, Tennessee to Participate in the Pool’s James L Richardson “Driver Safety” Matching Grant Program

This grant will be used within the Public Works Dept to purchase additional traffic cones and other items for traffic control.

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to approve Resolution No.17/18-07.

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

X. OLD BUSINESS

None presented.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- Humane Society of Jefferson County Funding Request

It was reported that 94 animal intakes were received from Town of Dandridge limits. The Humane Society has stated that it costs approximately \$20 per animal for care. Cost for Town of Dandridge animal care = \$1,880. The Humane Society had previously requested \$16,350.

It came on a motion by Alderman NELSON, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to fund \$2,000 to the Humane Society of Jefferson County. (funds will be used from the contingency fund, 110-41990-766)

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

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	AYE
Alderman DEPEW	AYE		
Alderman ELDER	AYE	Mayor GANTTE	AYE
Vice Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- Bid Approval: Paving of Cline Road

<i>3 Bids Received:</i>	<i>Harrison Construction Co (APAC)</i>	<i>\$111,180</i>
	<i>Bracken Paving</i>	<i>\$115,700</i>
	<i>Duracap Asphalt Paving Contractors</i>	<i>\$129,261</i>

\$90,000 is budgeted for the project. \$25,000 would be used from fund balance, if no further funds are received via the Improve Act.

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Vice-Mayor KESTERSON, to accept the low bid presented by Harrison Construction Co. in the amount of \$111,180.

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

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	AYE
Alderman DEPEW	AYE		
Alderman ELDER	AYE	Mayor GANTTE	AYE
Vice Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- Visitor Center Changes/Options

No official action taken. Town Administrator and Alderman Depew will continue to work on a position for the Visitor's Center. The position will operate more as a volunteer coordinator and event coordinator position. The rate per hour may be raised which was budgeted at approximately \$8.00 per hour. This position will work with the downtown businesses to staff the visitors center, order supplies and items for the visitor's center, and assist event coordinators such as Music on the Town, Scots-Irish, June Jubilee, etc. as necessary. The position will not be fund raising, planning projects or events, or negotiating between business owners. The position would be expected to go into each business weekly, train volunteers in the visitor's center, and work flexible hours that are more friendly to the tourist industry.

- Consideration of Applying for Grants - Parks and Recreation/Trails/Dog Park

Town Administrator reported that Matt Hatfield, Engineer had made an official RFQ to assist with the Parks & Rec grant. The grant is a 50/50 match. Funds to be used for improvements to Parks & Rec, which could go for the water front project, Field of Dreams, depending on what the town would determine that was necessary. It is a lengthy process. Community Development Partners will assist with no cost to the town unless successfully being awarded the grant, then an administrative cost will be paid. The town does not currently have a concept plan for the Field of Dreams, which would be needed, which would cost approximately \$12,500. The Town could save money by hosting the community process and information. The engineer would handle the design only at a cost not to exceed \$7,500. \$3,5000 is currently budgeted under Other Professional Services (110-41990-259), which would leave \$4,000 to be used from fund balance.

Community Development Partners can pursue the Parks Recreation grant.

Ali Gantte, Dandridge Citizen & UT Graduate Student would be willing to pursue a Dog Park grant.

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Alderman NELSON, to pursue a Parks & Rec grant.

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

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to pursue a grant for a Dog Park. (\$100,000 grant, 100% grant)

Mayor GANTTE recuses himself from this item.

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

- Approval to Work with an Engineer with Hatfield and Allen Association to Obtain a Concept Design of the Field of Dreams Undeveloped Park Area for Future Program Expansions

It came on a motion by Alderman DEPEW, seconded by Alderman CHAMBERS, to hire Matt Hatfield for the development of a concept plan for the Field of Dreams, not to exceed \$7,500.

Mayor GANTTE recuses himself from this item.

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

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	AYE
Alderman DEPEW	AYE		
Alderman ELDER	AYE	Mayor GANTTE	Recused
Vice Mayor KESTERSON	AYE		

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

- Dandridge Ministerial Association Sponsorship Request (KSCO Holiday Concert, 12/5/17, \$1,000)

Funding will be taken from Public Relations (110-41990-236)

It came on a motion by Vice-Mayor KESTERSON, seconded by Alderman ELDER to sponsor the KSCO Holiday Concert.

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

Alderman CHAMBERS	AYE	Alderman NELSON	AYE
Alderman DEPEW	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

- Town Administrator reported that the Police Dept had picked up a suspect in a stolen vehicle and homicide investigation from Kentucky at the I40 417 interchange area.
- Vice-Mayor Kesterson reported that non-working street lights have been reported for replacement and thanked the police officers for their assistance in helping report those.
- Alderman Nelson reported that he had spoken with a fisherman in the last tournament and they are all excited about returning to Dandridge next year and really liked the new dock.
- DWMF Superintendent Mike Norton thanked BMA for their work and support.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

It came on a motion by Alderman CHAMBERS, seconded by Alderman ELDER, that the meeting of September 12, 2017 be adjourned.

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

George Gantte, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cathy Dixon Town Recorder

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