

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2016

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 6 PM. Members present were Mayor Dennis Webb, Vice Mayor Hunt, Aldermen Winnett, Chilton, and Reagor.

Mayor Webb called the meeting to order. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Winnett, made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes from March 8. All aye. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to approve the minutes from March 8. Motion carried. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Chilton, made a motion to accept the financial reports. All aye.

Supervisor Lewis gave the Water Report. Both bacteriological samples were negative for coliform. Water loss was 19% with the flushing percentage 8%. The Coop Road Project of replacing the old line is complete. The water usage is up some & they are looking for any leaks on the system. They will be reading meters at the end of the week. Duane Culpepper from TAUD has been helping Randy at the Sewer Plant. They are now online and within 3 months will be able to do the Sewer Reports online. This is a new EPA requirement.

Vice Mayor Hunt gave the Water/Sewer Board Report. The Sewer Use Ordinance that was revised with the help of MTAS and has been reviewed by the attorney. The Fog Ordinance, when approved, will be inserted into the Sewer Use Ordinance. Alderman Reagor clarified that the Town can approve a septic tank inside the town limits if it is economically prohibitive to run a sewer line. This will benefit the town. The current fog ordinance has no "teeth" in it. Bryan Ross, a specialist in this field, is giving us recommendations on our updated FOG ordinance & its requirements. Alderman Reagor discussed the fact that the fees should be put into our Schedule of Fees. Definitions were also discussed. Vice Mayor Hunt, seconded by Alderman Reagor, made a motion to approve the Sewer Use Ordinance on 1st Reading with the noted changes. Motion carried. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Vice Mayor Hunt, made a motion to approve the FOG Ordinance with noted changes, on 1st Reading. All aye. There will be a public hearing and 2nd Reading of these Ordinances in the May meeting.

Fire Chief Ronnie Lokey gave the Fire Department Report. There were a total of 10 calls for the month. Three were medical calls and seven were fire calls. There was good attendance at the Annual Egg Hunt; they had 2 training sessions; the new utility vehicle is now in service, and the application for the Forestry Grant has been sent in & received by the State.

Chief Wiley gave the Police Department Report. There were 19 citations, 33 warnings, and 3 county assists.

There had been no Planning Commission Meeting.

Vice Mayor Hunt gave the Chamber of Commerce Report. Daffodil Day was a big success which included the 16th Tree City Award. Alderman Chilton won a lot of prizes in the Flower Show. RC Moon Pie Festival is coming up on June 18th.

The Park & Recreation Report was given by Vice Mayor Hunt. The ones responsible for the vandalism at the Park have been working fulfilling their required volunteer hours.

There was no report from the Historical Commission or Arts Commission.

Mayoral Updates: Mayor Webb reported that he & Town Recorder Robinson will be working on the Insurance Packages with our agent and discussing other ways to control expenses in the upcoming year.

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Old Business: None

New Business: A tentative Dog Ordinance was discussed due to a complaint from a citizen. Vice Mayor Hunt reported that Shelbyville's Dog Ordinance is very restrictive and involved. Chief Wiley stated that Judge Parnell is working on an Ordinance for Wartrace & it was suggested reviewing that when completed. No motion.

Alderman Reagor stated that he would like to see Former Mayor Eugene Strobel recognized for all his work on the Town's Ordinances and Municipal Code. All were in agreement.

Bill Snyder, resident of Tillman Lane, was present to see if there was any news on the possibility of widening Tilman Lane. Vice Mayor Hunt reported she had made two different calls to TDOT regarding this but has not heard back. Discussion was made about possibly rerouting the traffic to One Way on that road & maybe putting up a sign of "Through Street". Chief Wiley has spoken to the residents at the corner about parking their trailer at the edge of the road which impeded traffic and it has been moved.

Alderman Winnett stated that the shrubs coming out of the Convenience Center have grown up so much that it blocks the view of people pulling out on the road. This will be investigated.

Vice Mayor Hunt reported that the windows on the public restroom side have been replaced.

Mayor Webb asked about repairing the potholes on Main Street. Vice Mayor Hunt stated that she recommends waiting since the water & sewer lines will be replaced & it would be costly to repair them to just have them torn up.

There being no further business, Alderman Reagor made a motion to adjourn.

Dennis H. Webb, Mayor _____

Janet Robinson, Town Recorder _____