

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen  
Meeting Minutes  
June 14, 2016

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, June 14 at 6 PM. Members present were Mayor Dennis Webb, Vice Mayor Hunt, Aldermen Winnett, Chilton, and Reagor. There was a public hearing prior to the meeting to discuss the FOG Ordinance & an Ordinance to Amend the Wastewater Regulations. The FOG Ordinance, when approved, will be inserted into the Sewer Use Ordinance.

Mayor Webb explained the FOG Ordinance and how this ordinance give some flexibility to the town to work with customers but is very beneficial to control what gets into the plant. The Ordinance to repeal the existing Sewer Use Ordinance and Adopt the Wastewater Regulations was also presented. Vice Mayor Hunt thanked Alderman Reagor for his attention to detail reviewing the Sewer Use Ordinance. He had important feedback & found an item that had been missed that could save the town a lot of potential problems. She stated we should be appreciative of Alderman Reagor's knowledge & that fact that he cares enough to take the time to make sure things are done correctly.

Mayor Webb called the meeting to order. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes from April 12. (There had been no regular meeting in May). All aye. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Winnett, made a motion to approve the minutes from April 12 with a slight modification on page 1 paragraph 4, line 4. The Town can approve a septic tank inside the town limits if it is economically prohibitive to run a sewer line. Motion carried with noted change. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Winnett, made a motion to accept the financial reports. All aye.

Vice Mayor Hunt gave the Water Report and the Water/Sewer Board Report. Both bacteriological samples were negative for coliform. Water loss was 23% with the flushing percentage 11%.

The Town placed 3rd on Funding List for SRF for water related projects relating to pump station on Webb Road & water line replacement on Main Street. We are waiting on CDBG to be announced in October to know how to move forward on full Main Street project. Many thanks to Senator Jim Tracy & our engineer Travis Wilson, for their efforts in helping to get that funding.

We are currently working with Bedford County Board of Education in relation to a new Cascade High School. The County has approved \$7,000 for our engineers to do flow studies & facilities study to see if we will be able to handle sewer connections for the new facility.

At our last meeting, we had discussed having TDOT come out to give advice on the situation on Tillman Lane. We are currently working to make that a one way entry/exit but have several items to review & also to make sure that everyone affected is notified well before the traffic flow changes. More information will follow on that at later meetings. There are no school buses that go on Tillman Lane.

There was a request from James West for a water tap on Fosterville Road. No one was present to discuss this request. Mayor Webb asked if we could get a verbal opinion from MTAS regarding this request since there was a question if the pressure on the road would be enough to supply an extra tap. No motion made.

Fire Chief Ronnie Lokey gave the Fire Department Report. There were a total of 13 calls for the month of April. Seven were medical calls and six were fire calls including 1 mock MVA for prom weekend, 3 structure fires, 1 fire alarm & 1 false alarm with no fire but a detector malfunction. There were a total of 13 calls for May with 2 medical related and 11 fire related. These included 3 structure fires mutual aid to 2 in Wartrace, 2 standby for Station 1, 1 standby for Station 9, 3 motor vehicle accidents, 1 false alarm with no fire, 1 public service standby for film crew at Greystone Farms on Happy Valley Road. The department welcomes 3 new

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members-Dominic Walfer, Brad Marsalis and Aldo Gonzalez. One member, Angie Albritton is a newly certified emergency medical responder.

Chief Wiley gave the Police Department Report. There were 7 citations, 26 warnings, 4 county assists, & 2 reports plus 1 dog citation. There is work still going on the Dog Ordinance.

Mayor Webb reported for the Planning Commission. The Mayor and Chief Wiley are working on a couple of violations with property owners. There is ongoing work on a Site Permit for JR Howell on Main Street regarding a retaining wall and fence.

Vice Mayor Hunt gave the Chamber of Commerce Report. RC Moon Pie is this weekend. Security meeting was May 2nd. Road closures will be on Main Street from 7:30-9:30.

She reported that back in January, the chamber invested in a website program through the Tourism program that only 20 chambers/destinations were permitted. The program was an overwhelming success to the point where for 2 1/2 weeks, the chamber was having to monitor their website daily to keep it from crashing. Merchants are reporting high traffic volume and sales. The chamber is interested in knowing if the town was able to come up with any information on why our sales tax income has been down when business is reported to be stronger than it has in years. Town Recorder Robinson stated she has checked on the sales tax figures and been told they are accurate.

The Chamber has been working on the old fire hall and we were ready to begin setting up display sets for Mr. Elkins' museum when a leak was discovered in the roof. We have hopefully repaired that leak but are waiting for a big rain to make sure all is sealed properly before moving forward. The property was in disrepair and decline & the chamber has invested labor & money trying to get it done right. We hope to work on a new entry in the near future.

The Park & Recreation Report was given by Vice Mayor Hunt. Vandalism struck the park again with damage done to 3 picnic tables. We are working with Chief Wiley to keep this at bay, especially over the summer as that is normally when these things spike.

The 4th of July event is coming up. SpeakEasy with James Anderson's band will be performing from 5-7 and Escape performing from 7-9. Reading of the Declaration of Independence at 9 and then a 20-25 minute fireworks display to follow the reading. As usual, concessions will be offered on site.

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

Mayoral Updates: none

Old Business: Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Chilton, made a motion to pass the 2nd Reading of the FOG Ordinance. All aye. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Winnett, made a motion to approve the Sewer Use Ordinance on 2nd Reading. Motion carried.

New Business: Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Chilton, made a motion to pass the Amended Budget 2015-16 on 1st Reading. All aye. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Vice Mayor Hunt, made a motion to pass the Anticipated Budget 2016-17 on 1st Reading. Motion carried. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Winnett, made a motion to pass the Property Tax Rate of \$.040 per \$100 of assessed value on all

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real & personal property (rate remaining the same as last year). All aye. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Chilton, made a motion to pass the Budget Ordinance 2016-17 on 1st Reading. Motion carried.

Mayor Webb stated his appreciation of Vice Mayor's hard work on all of the town's projects. A date of June 28th was set for a public hearing & special called meeting to discuss the 2nd Reading on all budget related information.

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

Dennis H. Webb, Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

Janet Robinson, Town Recorder \_\_\_\_\_