

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2015

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 6 PM. Members present were Mayor Dennis Webb, and Aldermen Hunt, Winnett, Chilton, and Reagor.

There had been a Public Hearing prior to the meeting to discuss 3 amendments to the Zoning Ordinance: Article III regarding "General Provisions"; Article IV regarding "Supplementary Provision applying to Specific Districts"; and Article V regarding "Zoning Districts." Mayor Webb reviewed each amendment. There was no citizen input.

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

Supervisor Lewis gave the Water/Sewer Report. Both bacteriological samples were negative for coliform. Water loss was 20% with the flushing percentage 14%. This was due to the extra flushing for the THMM sample. The Hinkle Hill project is almost complete.

There was no Sewer Report.

Alderman Hunt gave the Water/Sewer Board Report. The Hinkle Hill line is almost ready to put on line. She thanked Supervisor Lewis for all of his effort, patience & dedication to step up & do this project in-house, and that it has saved the town \$175,000.

Alderman Hunt reported that there are 3 areas that will need addressing over the next 2 years: the Webb Pump Station, a long term solution to our sludge removal, and the Main Street water & sewer line replacement. She attended a public hearing for the upcoming CDBG grant cycle. The town submitted for the grant in 2013 & had to switch it to the headworks project. This year's submittal will be for \$350,000. Alderman Hunt has been working with TDOT to coordinate this project with them for repaving after the project. There will be a public hearing on Wednesday, November 4th and a Resolution will be presented in the November meeting to apply for funds. She is also meeting with the SRF to discuss cap levels on borrowing approximately \$150,000 to match with CDBG funds.

Mayor Webb reported that Webb School wants to own the water & sewer lines around its new construction area. They want to be able to relocate lines at their expense. The town is working with Engineer Travis Wilson and the legal team to draw up an agreement that would give the town full access to the school property to do any needed work. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Winnett, made a motion to approve this agreement being drawn up with the understanding that it will also include the town having access to the telemetry system on the town's water tank, the school being responsible for all costs to relocate the water and/or sewer lines which would include any structure(s) they put on these lines like sidewalks, landscaping, etc., and the school will be required to provide the town with a current set of its plans for the water & sewer lines. Motion carried with all voting aye but Alderman Hunt abstained.

Fire Chief Ronnie Lokey gave the Fire Department Report. There were a total of 9 calls for the month. Six were fire related which included 1 motor vehicle accidents, 1 hay bale fire, 1 truck fire, 1 gas smell in home-no fire, and 2 10-42 alarms. Three were medical calls. Bell Buckle & Wartrace Fire Departments presented a program on Fire Prevention to Cascade K-3 children.

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Chief Wiley gave the Police Department Report. There were 12 citations, 30 warnings, and 4 county assists. We have joined the county in their seatbelt campaign.

Alderman Reagor gave the Planning Commission Report. A subdivision request was approved for Betsy Wheeler on Peacock Street with the understanding that she will be responsible for an easement, and a pump, if required for sewer to the property. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Chilton, made a motion to abandon the alleyway between School Street and Lynn Lane with the condition that Ms. Wheeler is responsible for any costs related to the survey. Motion carried.

Alderman Hunt gave the Chamber of Commerce Report. The meetings with TEMA and the Craft Fair committee went well. The message boards from TDOT will hopefully help with traffic at the craft fair. She thanked Chief Wiley for all his hard work on coordinating the plans. Alderman Hunt also reported that clean-up of the old fire hall for Elkins Fire Museum and the Chamber office is continuing.

The Park & Recreation Report was given by Alderman Hunt. There has been more vandalism on the grills at the picnic pavilion. A solution to prevent this from continuing to happen is being discussed.

Mayor Webb reported that the Historical Commission will meet the last Tuesday of the month.

There was no Arts Commission Report.

Mayoral Updates: none

Old Business: Mayor Webb reported that most of the Board had an opportunity to meet with the prospective Building Codes Inspector. There was discussion and the Mayor recommended that this be revisited in the December meeting.

The Ordinance to amend Article II of the Zoning Ordinance regarding the definition of "District" was addressed again. There was no motion regarding this again; Ordinance did not pass.

Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to approve the Ordinance to amend Article III of the Zoning Ordinance regarding "General Provisions" on 2nd Reading. All aye.

Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Winnett, made a motion to approve the Ordinance to amend Article IV of the Zoning Ordinance regarding "Supplementary Provisions Applying to Specific Districts" on 2nd Reading. All aye.

Alderman Hunt, seconded by Alderman Chilton, made a motion to approve the Ordinance to amend Article V of the Zoning Ordinance regarding "Zoning Districts" on 2nd Reading. Motion carried with Mayor Webb, Alderman Hunt & Alderman Chilton voting aye; Alderman Winnett abstained and Alderman Reagor opposed.

New Business: none

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

Dennis H. Webb, Mayor _____

Janet Robinson, Town Recorder _____