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BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMAN
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The Board of Mayor and Alderman met in regular session on January 8, 2018 with Mayor Pucciarelli calling the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall building, 330 Colwyn, Cumberland Gap, TN.

Mayor Pucciarelli called for a roll call of the Board Members. Board Members answered as follows: Susan Bain-here; Chuck Coffey- yes; Teresa Fuson- absent; Jerry Hopson - here; John Ravnum-here; Phillip Waller-absent.

Mayor Pucciarelli called for approval of the minutes. Chuck Coffey made a motion to the approve minutes, with a second by Jerry Hopson. Mayor Pucciarelli called for a roll call vote. Board members voted as follows: Susan Bain-yes; Chuck Coffey-yes; Teresa Fuson- absent; Jerry Hopson - yes; John Ravnum-yes; Phillip Waller-absent.

Mayor Pucciarelli next called for the Financial Report. Town Recorder, Linda Moyers, reported the balances of all the accounts. Mayor Pucciarelli called for a motion to approve the Financial Report. Susan Bain made a motion to approve the financial report, with a second by Chuck Coffey. Mayor Pucciarelli called for a roll call vote. Board members voted as follows: Susan Bain-yes; Chuck Coffey-yes; Teresa Fuson- absent; Jerry Hopson - yes; John Ravnum-yes; Phillip Waller-absent.

Mayor Pucciarelli directed the meeting to approval of the bills. Town Recorder, Linda Moyers, reported the total bills due for all the accounts. Mayor Pucciarelli called for a motion to approve the bills. Jerry Hopson made a motion to pay the bills, with a second by Susan Bain. Mayor Pucciarelli called for a roll call vote. Board members voted as follows: Susan Bain-yes; Chuck Coffey-yes; Teresa Fuson- absent; Jerry Hopson - yes; John Ravnum-yes; Phillip Waller-absent.

Mayor Pucciarelli directed the meeting to the committee reports:

Planning & Zoning

The date and time for the planning and zoning commission meetings has been changed to the first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Finance

The board reviewed the Profit & Loss vs. Actual worksheets.

Law and Order

The new citation forms has been printed and received. The judge and officer will meet later this month to finalize all the details necessary in order to start holding court.

Historical

The next Historic Zoning Commission meeting will be on Tuesday January 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

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Streets

The town's truck was in the shop so therefore we were unable to salt the roads this morning, but we were able to hire somewhere to salt them.

Parks and Recreation

The new toilets and hand dryers will be installed in the restrooms at Berkau Park before they are reopened in the spring.

Tourism/Events

Upcoming Events included:

There was no upcoming events announced at this time.

Water

The water line rehabilitation project is complete. A total of fifty five (55) new lines and meters was installed. The water loss is down to 24%, and should be down more next month.

Sewer

The town plans to apply for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the purchase of a new generator.

The parts for the flow meter has been received and will be installed later this month.

Fire Department

The compressor for the air brakes on the tanker has been acting up. Ray Paul will look at it when he has time.

OSHA Safety Director

There was nothing to report.

Litigation

The town attorney updated the board on the ongoing litigation concerning 601 Pennlyn. His attorney has filed for a motion to dismiss alleging that there is not an order in place and that an order from the court cannot be obtained. Mr. Estep explained that the order the town is relying on is the one issued by the Historic Zoning Commission through the town council.

Mr. Clouse's attorney has made an offer of settlement. The offer of settlement is to build a dormer. Mr. Estep doesn't think the dormer meets the requirements of the Historic Zoning and will not be sufficient as they still hasn't provided any plans, but it is an offer and movement. He asked for instruction from the board.

Jerry Hopson said the building still violates several ordinances. The ordinances calls for the roofline to be similar to that of the house. While the roofline is close to being level to

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the house, it is taller than the building next door. The ordinance calls for the siding to be the same as the house and furthermore no plans or drawings have been submitted at this time.

Mr. Estep suggested allowing him to take that information back to his attorney and ask for them to provide and comply with the above. He recommended not foreclosing any attempt for settlement but say more information is needed.

At the Historic Zoning Commission meeting tomorrow night the matter will be discussed and instructions for the attorney will be provided. Mr. Estep said he will wait until after the HZC meets before he gets back with the opposing attorney.

Mayor Pucciarelli called for Old Business:

Mitigation Projects

The board reviewed the mitigation project list that was in the 2014 county mitigation plan. The 2014 plan included two projects: The first was to flood proof the sewage treatment plant. The second project was to mitigate flood damage to historic structures by installing two drain systems through the historic district.

The board decided to include the second project in the new county mitigation plan.

At this time a date for the county wide meeting to discuss the mitigation plan has not be scheduled.

Recycling Program

Representatives from the Bell County Recycling Center attended the planning meeting last week to discuss the possibility of Cumberland Gap starting a recycling program.

The program would be completely voluntary and all those interested would have to sign up.

Items they would accept includes:

#1 Plastics (water bottles, soda bottles, dish detergent bottles, etc.)

#2 Plastics (laundry detergent jugs, buckets, milk, jugs, etc.)

Appliances (refrigerators, washers, dryers, air conditioners, water heaters, anything metal)

Cardboard

White or colored paper (notebook or office) (They shred it)

Newsprint (newspaper, magazines, phone books, old mail, etc.)

Aluminum cans

Tin cans (rinsed out)

Copper cords (housing wire, Christmas lights, extension cords, appliance cords, phone chargers, etc.)

Glass bottles & jars

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A blue bag would be provided by the recycling center and all of the above listed items can be put in the same bag. There would be no need to sort all of the items, as that would be done at the recycling center. The details as to who would be responsible to pick up the bags has not been worked out yet.

There would be no cost to the town or to the residents. Not only would it help the environment, it would save the town money by lowering the trash dumping fee.

No decisions were made at this time. The board will wait until the bids for the garbage and recycling services are received.

Sanders Hauling

The work on the creek bank on Llewelyn Street has been completed.

Citizens Comments

Ralph McClanahan ask that the town continue looking into a municipal well. Mayor Pucciarelli replied by saying he is looking into the matter. There was some discussion about an Artesian well that is located in town.

Mayor Pucciarelli called for New Business:

Ordinance No. 11-2017 (An Ordinance Amending the Historic Zoning Map)

The historic district currently stops at the Convention Center. This ordinance would extend the historic district to the end of the street, which would include the properties from 601 Colwyn- 799 Colwyn and 600 Pinnacle Alley- 798 Pinnacle Alley (the backside of the addresses on Colwyn of those same lots.)

Both the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Historic Zoning Commission has approved the ordinance. A public hearing for the ordinance is scheduled for January 29, 2018.

Jerry Hopson made a motion to approve the ordinance, with a second by John Ravnum. Mayor Pucciarelli called for a roll call vote. Board members voted as follows: Susan Bain-yes; Chuck Coffey-yes; Teresa Fuson- absent; Jerry Hopson - yes; John Ravnum-yes; Phillip Waller-absent.

Recreation Board

The town plans to apply for a parks and recreation grant. The project would include making the dog park handicap accessible. In order to apply for the grant, the town must establish a parks and recreation board and should meet at least once before the grant deadline in April.

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Mayor Pucciarelli recommended appointing the Board of Mayor and Alderman and the fire chiefs to serve on the board.

Chuck Coffey made a motion to establish the parks and recreation board and consisting of the board of mayor and alderman and the fire chiefs. Included in the motions was the time and date of the meetings: the last Monday of the month, quarterly, at 5:30 p.m. The motions was seconded by Susan Bain. Mayor Pucciarelli called for a roll call vote. Board members voted as follows: Susan Bain-yes; Chuck Coffey-yes; Teresa Fuson- absent; Jerry Hopson - yes; John Ravnum-yes; Phillip Waller-absent.

The first meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2018 @ 5:30 p.m.

The recorder will verify to make sure that the board can meet quarterly instead of monthly.

Sweep Streets

The street has already been swept so there was no need for discussion.

Announcements

Monday January 29, 2018 @6:00 p.m.

- Bid opening for garbage/ recycling pickup services
- Public hearing for Ordinance 11-2017
- Planning meeting

Chuck Coffey made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Susan Bain. Mayor Pucciarelli called for a roll call vote. Board members voted as follows: Susan Bain-yes; Chuck Coffey-yes; Teresa Fuson- absent; Jerry Hopson - yes; John Ravnum-yes; Phillip Waller-absent.