

TOWN OF CUMBERLAND GAP
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMAN
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The Board of Mayor and Alderman met in regular session on May 4, 2015 with Mayor McGaffee calling the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall building, 330 Colwyn, Cumberland Gap, TN. After the Pledge to the Flag, Mayor McGaffee called for a roll call of the Board Members. Board Members answered as follows: Susan Bain-here; Chuck Coffey- here; Teresa Fuson- here; Jerry Hopson -here; John Ravnum-here; Phillip Waller-here.

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

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

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

Mayor McGaffee directed the meeting to the committee reports:

Planning & Zoning

The next meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission will be on May 14, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Pineapple Tea Room.

Finance

The board was given a copy of the 2015-2016 proposed budget to review. The first reading of the budget ordinance will take place at the June 1st meeting and a public hearing and a special called meeting for the second reading will take place on June 29th.

Law and Order

There was nothing to report.

Historical

The next meeting of the Historic Zoning Commission will be on Tuesday May 5, 2014 @ 7:00 pm.

Streets

The town plans to start repaving the streets in the upcoming months.

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Parks and Recreation

Mayor McGaffee has hired someone to make sure the bathrooms are stocked and clean on the weekends.

Tourism/Events

Upcoming events include:

Cumberland Mtn. Music Show- May 16, 2014

Artist Co-op Art Festival- June 6, 2015

25 E Yard Sale- June 4-6, 2015

Cumberland Mtn. Music Show- June 6, 2015

Genealogy Jamboree- June 11-13, 2015

White Lightning Trail Festival- June 26-27, 2015

Water

The water loss went down from 43% in March to 41% in April.

Sewer

Several delinquent sewer accounts will be heard in court on May 13, 2015.

Fire Department

The Fire Department will host another Firemen's Night at Angelo's on May 6, 2015. All tips are given to the department.

OSHA Safety Director

There was nothing to report.

Litigation

Several delinquent sewer accounts will be heard in court on May 13, 2015.

Mayor McGaffee called for OLD BUSINESS.

Title 17 (Refuse and Trash Disposal)

The board will review the title further and will discuss at the next planning meeting.

**Ordinance 3-2015- An Ordinance to Amend the Cumberland Gap Municipal Code,
Title 6 (Law Enforcement)**

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

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Outstanding Rural Development Bond Issue

At last month's meeting the board discussed the refunding of the outstanding Rural Development Sewer Revenue Tax Bond proposal from Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund. Since the interest rate was not locked in for the remaining term of the loan, the board did not want to approve the proposal, but instead asked that Rural Development be contacted to see if the monthly payments can be increased to shorten the life of the loan.

By increasing the current monthly payment by \$510.03 the loan can be reduced from 32 years to 19 years. There are two payment options: (1) contact Rural Development and increase the monthly automatic withdraw amount or (2) write a check each month for the additional amount. The board felt that writing a check each month would be the better option because some months the town may not have the extra money.

John Ravnum made a motion to write a check to Rural Development each month (if funds are available) not to exceed \$510.03, with a second by Jerry Hopson. Mayor McGaffee called for a roll call vote. Board members voted as follows: Susan Bain-yes; Chuck Coffey-yes; Teresa Fuson- yes; Jerry Hopson -yes; John Ravnum-yes; Phillip Waller-yes.

Citizens Comments

It was reported that Coca-Cola purchased the lot across from the sewer plant. There was some concerns as to whether the road would with stand the additional weight.

There was some complaints about tractor trailer parking in town. Section 14-308 of the Cumberland Gap Municipal Code says: No truck of a rated capacity of greater than $\frac{3}{4}$ ton nor any heavy equipment may be parked on any lot or in the public right-of-way adjacent to any lot overnight nor stored or parked while loading or unloading for periods in excess of twenty-four (24) hours except in an enclosed building. Mayor McGaffee will talk to the people who have been parking the tractor trailers in town and let them know the town has an ordinance against it.

Mayor McGaffee called for NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 4- 2015- An Ordinance to Amend the Cumberland Gap Municipal Code, Title 7 (Fire Protection and Fireworks)

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

Ordinance 5- 2015- An Ordinance to Amend the Cumberland Gap Municipal Code, Title 12 (Building Codes)

This ordinances adopts the 2012 edition of the International Building Codes.

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

Ordinance 6-2015- An Ordinance to Amend the Cumberland Gap Municipal Code, Title 20

Request to use the town's property and facilities by the public for the purpose of special events have become a common occurrence. The individuals and organizations that use the town's facilities for the purpose of holding special events are not covered under the town's insurance. This ordinance establishes a policy for "third party" users of town property for the purpose of holding special events.

Some of the requirements include, filling out and submitting a special event permit application form, submitting a certificate of insurance with one million dollars (\$1,000,000) general liability (with the Town of Cumberland Gap named as additional insured), and signing a hold harmless agreement.

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

Distribution of Gap Gazer

As a result of a controversy that arose from the May 2015 edition of the Gap Gazer, the town will no longer be distributing the Gazer on the back of the water bills. There will be three ways of distribution: (1) copies will be placed in the Post Office, The Cumberland Gap Information Center, and in businesses that request it; (2) electronic delivery is available to those who provide an email address; (3) provide a self-addressed stamped envelope. For those who are interested in receiving a copy are asked to contact the editor, Kathy Matthews, and let her know which method you prefer.

Announcements

Town Hall will be closed on the following days for due to the recorder attending continuing education classes: Tuesday May 5, 2015 and Wednesday May 20, 2015.

Planning meeting- Monday May 26, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m.

With no other business to come before the board, Susan Bain made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Jerry Hopson. Mayor McGaffee called for a roll call vote. Board members voted as follows: Susan Bain-yes; Chuck Coffey-yes; Teresa Fuson- yes; Jerry Hopson -yes; John Ravnum-yes; Phillip Waller-yes.