

BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 09, 2009

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Tullahoma, Coffee and Franklin Counties, Tennessee met in a public session at the Municipal Building, in Tullahoma, on Monday, November 09, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., with Mayor Troy Bisby presiding and the following named members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen: James Blanks, James Eads, Jerry Mathis, Mike Norris, Greg Sandlin and Mike Stanton. Seven Board members were present.

Louis J. Baltz, City Administrator; Randall Morrison, City Attorney; and Rosemary Womack, City Recorder; were also present at the meeting.

The meeting was opened with an invocation delivered by Rev. Len Hendrix and he led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS –

Mayor Bisby reminded everyone of the Veterans Day Ceremony that will take place tomorrow here at City Hall at 11:00.

Mayor Bisby presented Sue Wilson, Finance Director, the Government Finance Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS –

Mrs. Marjorie Collier, 2320 Ovoca Road, asked if the Board would please support the Planning Commission recommendation of changing the zoning from R1 to open space for the property (approx. 180 acres) located adjacent to the Short Springs Natural area.

Ms. Teri Kanan, 109 Hunters Ridge, read a resolution signed by the Tullahoma Pride Committee stating that they endorse the Planning Commission recommendations to zone the 180 acres located near Short Springs as open space.

Mr. Everett Smith, 204 Provins Drive, asked the Board to please follow the recommendations of the Planning Commission and to listen to the voice of the people and zone the property located near Short Springs as open space.

Mr. Charles Parish, 625 Old Estill Springs Drive, stated he was a Planning Commission Member and has attended several public hearings on the rezoning issue. He said the citizens have spoken on several occasions and they want the land near short springs natural area to be zoned open space.

Mr. Brent Nelms, 310 Kingsridge Lane, he is Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Tullahoma Utility Board. He suggested to the Board of Mayor and Alderman, the best steward of the people's money would be to vote "no" to zoning the 180 acres near Short Springs as open space.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

ALDERMAN SANDLIN – Mr. Sandlin said he attended the Chamber's Monthly Coffee last week. He also went to the Tennessee National Guard Armory ground breaking ceremony. Mr. Sandlin was also at the Planning Commission Meeting.

ALDERMAN STANTON – Mr. Stanton went to the Tullahoma Pride Committee meeting. He stated that the "Dream Tullahoma" Committee is still in the developmental stages and will be meeting at the Hands on Science Center this week.

ALDERMAN BLANKS – Mr. Blanks said he attended the Tullahoma Economic Development Committee meeting this past week and they are working on the by-laws. He also went to the Tullahoma Retail Committee Meeting. Mr. Blanks attended the Board of Education meeting where they discussed the capital project in process. He stated he is still working on some plans for the renovation/reconstruction of the outdoor swimming pool.

ALDERMAN EADS – Mr. Eads said he went to the Consolidated Communication Commission Meeting and there were some issues with the first responder resolution that still need to be worked out. He also stated he will be attending the Duck River Utility Commission this week.

ALDERMAN MATHIS – He stated that he attended the Planning Commission meeting. Mr. Mathis went to the Mayor's Youth Council meeting. He gave an update on the Tullahoma High School football stadium and track construction project. Mr. Mathis said that he was looking into ways/grants for Grider Stadium.

MAYOR PRO TEM NORRIS – Mr. Norris attended the Tennessee National Guard Armory ground breaking ceremony. He stated that the Tullahoma Utility Board has received state grant money to do sewer renovations and upgrades.

MAYOR BISBY – Mayor Bisby wanted to express his thanks to the Parks and Recreation Department for their hard work in putting together the Haunted Hayride. He made an announcement that “Meals on Wheels” would not be delivering dinners on Thanksgiving and Christmas this year. Mayor Bisby made a Mayoral appointment to the Tullahoma Planning Commission. He re-appointed Mr. Kevin Pearson to that board and his term will now expire on October 26, 2014.

REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY – Mr. Randall Morrison stated the City made progress in getting rid of two surplus pieces of property. A piece of land was donated to the Habitat for Humanity and the other lot was sold to a private party.

REPORT FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Jody Baltz said that there will be two ceremonies for the veterans on Veteran’s Day this Wednesday. One will be held in this board room and the other will be at the Maplewood Cemetery both will be at 11:00am

CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM 09-113 – Minutes of October 26, 2009 Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Mathis and seconded by Mr. Eads to approve the consent agenda as presented.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 1392 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 961 OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE, KNOWN AS THE TULLAHOMA ZONING ORDINANCE, for passage on the third and final readings.

Mayor Bisby read the caption for Ordinance No. 1392.

Both the City Administrator, Jody Baltz, and Alderman Sandlin gave background information on the Airport Overlay Zone as it relates to this ordinance.

A motion was made by Mr. Sandlin and seconded by Mr. Norris to approve the Ordinance 1392 as presented.

Then an amendment was made by Mr. Sandlin and seconded by Mr. Norris to insert the 2nd paragraph labeled “exception” on page 26 of our agenda into Ordinance No. 1392 and strike the old paragraph labeled “exception” (regarding the Airport Overlay Zone).

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

A lengthy discussion followed.

A second amendment was made by Mr. Blanks and seconded by Mayor Bisby to Zone the property (approx. 180 acres) near Short Springs Natural Park back to Open Space.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

AYE: Bisby, Blanks

NAY: Eads, Mathis, Norris, Sandlin, Stanton

The vote being two (2) Ayes and five (5) Nays, the amendment failed

Mayor Bisby then called for a vote on the original motion on Ordinance No. 1392 as amended for passage on the third and final reading.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

ORDINANCE NO. 1393 – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL CHAPTER 9 (BURGLARY AND ROBBERY ALARMS) OF TITLE 20 (MISCELLANEOUS), OF THE BOOK OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE AND TO SUBSTITUTE IN LIEU THEREOF A NEW CHAPTER 9 (BURGLARY AND ROBBERY ALARMS) OF TITLE 20 (MISCELLANEOUS), for passage on the third and final reading.

Mayor Bisby read the caption of Ordinance No. 1393.

A motion was made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. Mathis and Mr. Sandlin to approve Ordinance No. 1393 on the third and final reading.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 1449 – AN INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,750,000) GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE, for adoption.

Mayor Bisby read the caption for Resolution No. 1449.

Finance Director, Sue Wilson, gave the background information.

A motion was made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. Eads to adopt Resolution No. 1449.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 1450 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,750,000) OF THE CITY OF TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE: MAKING PROVISION FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS; ESTABLISHING THE TERMS THEREOF AND THE DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS THEREFROM; AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS, for adoption.

Mayor Bisby read the caption for Resolution No. 1450.

A motion was made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. Mathis to adopt resolution No. 1450.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

ITEM 09-114 – APPROVAL OF ARTS BUILDS COMMUNITY GRANT CONTRACT.

Mayor Bisby read the caption of Agenda Item 09-114.

Parks and Recreation Director, Kurt Glick, gave the background information.

A motion was made by Mr. Blanks and seconded by Mr. Stanton to accept the grant and to allow the Mayor to execute the contract.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

ITEM 09-115 – APPROVAL OF HOLIDAY MEETING SCHEDULE.

Mayor Bisby read the caption of Agenda Item 09-115.

A motion was made by Mr. Sandlin and seconded by Mr. Norris to approve the Holiday Meeting schedule for the Board of Mayor and Alderman, by canceling the second regularly scheduled meetings in November and December.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

ITEM 09-116 – APPROVAL OF DIRECT DEPOST PROGRAM

Mayor Bisby read the caption of Agenda Item 09-116.

Finance Director, Sue Wilson, gave some background information.

A motion was made by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. Stanton to approve the Direct Deposit Program.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at this time the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

CITY RECORDER

MAYOR