

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS  
*February 12, 2013***

The Board of Mayor and Commissioners held its regular meeting on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. in the conference room at City Hall. Mayor Jane W. Dawkins called the meeting to order and asked Paul Robinson to give the invocation and Commissioner Powers to lead the pledge to the flag. Upon a roll call, the following members were present: Commissioner Ronnie Lancaster, Commissioner Jimmy Wigfall, Commissioner Jeff Powers and Commissioner Debbie Hughes.

The Mayor called for a public hearing on **Ordinance # 737** (*An Ordinance of the City of South Pittsburg to Amend the Zoning Map for the City of South Pittsburg, Tennessee to Rezone Property Off of Hamburg Road from the R-3 Residential District to the C-2 Commercial District*) and there were no comments.

Mayor Dawkins asked the Board to review the minutes of the January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 board meeting. A **Motion** to approve the minutes with a change to paragraph eleven (11) from “after no comments” to “after a public hearing with no comments” was made by Commissioner Powers, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Voting aye were five, none opposed. A **Motion** to approve the minutes of the January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 special-called meeting was made by Commissioner Wigfall, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Voting aye were five, none opposed.

The Mayor asked if there were any comments from citizens. Lorraine Powers, EYES Program, thanked the city for their response with the requested handicap ramps at the EYES building and for all the help the city gives in support of the program. She also stated that there is a fence on the property in need of repair and asked for help with the repair.

John Pinnix, Marion County Bicentennial Committee, gave a presentation concerning a proposal for recognition and celebration of the bicentennial in 2017. The Mayor suggested that she thought there would be much support and contribution for the planned events from the citizens of the city.

The Mayor had the following comments:

I have proclaimed 2013 as the Year of the Child and would like to read the Proclamation recently signed by me as Mayor and acknowledged by some of the city's' youth.

Mark Griffith has sent a letter outlining a series of meetings concerning school safety throughout the county. The meeting in South Pittsburg will be on Thursday, March 21, 2013 @ 6:00 p.m. at the South Pittsburg High School. School board member Terry Case addressed the audience on some of the particulars concerning the meetings and their intent.

Commissioner Hughes requested the installation of a street light @ 1317 Hamilton Avenue. The Mayor took the request under advisement. Commissioner Hughes stated the yellow line @ the 19<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge needed repainting and asked Chief Winters to check for commercial trucks using Irondale Road instead of 19<sup>th</sup> Street for commercial trucking.

Commissioner Wigfall said he and the building inspector had looked at the stage area at the Princess Theatre and they are in agreement that there is sufficient room for restroom facilities. He also stated the elevator at the Senior Apartments needs some attention and the phone needs to be connecting when someone has to utilize the phone for emergencies.

Chief Winters presented a certificate of recognition from the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) to Officer Nathan Billingsley for his exemplary response during a recently concluded amber alert.

Lisa Bradford, Parks and Recreation Director, asked to have the compliance issue concerning the swimming pool at Loyd Park placed on the agenda for April.

David Abbott, Nick-a-Jack Port Authority, informed the board of the recent purchase from TVA of ninety-five (95) acres of adjoining property at the port in New Hope. The property will be jointly owned by South Pittsburg and New Hope and will be for industrial development.

After a public hearing and no comments, a **Motion** to pass on third (3<sup>rd</sup>) and final reading **Ordinance # 737** (*An Ordinance of the City of South Pittsburg to Amend the Zoning Map for the City of South Pittsburg, Tennessee to Rezone Property Off of Hamburg Road from the R-3 Residential District to the C-2 Commercial District*) was made by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Powers. Voting aye were five, none opposed.

The Mayor made a gift presentation to Suzanne Adcock, who submitted her resignation, for her many years service on the Parks and Recreation Board. Ms. Adcock said it had been a pleasure to serve and she hoped some new young blood would come on the board to address the future recreational needs.

The Park Board Appointment was passed until the next meeting.

A **Motion** to add Vice-Mayor Hughes as a check signatory was made by Commissioner Wigfall, seconded by the Mayor. Voting aye were two, no two. The issue will carry over to the March meeting.

Mayor Dawkins announced the resignation of City Administrator Bently Thomas. She commended Mr. Thomas on his work for the city and said he had accepted a job as Director of Planning for Bradley County, Tennessee.

After a presentation by April Bowden and Sue Scruggs from Marion Animal Resource Connection (MARC) and much discussion, the Mayor said the city would abstain from stray cat collection and the board will work with MARC to develop a plan to address the stray cat issue within the city. Citizens calling with cat infestation will be instructed to call the MARC hotline.

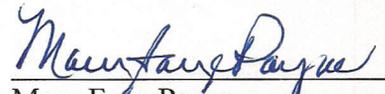
A **Motion** to pass **Resolution # 927** (*A Resolution of the Board of Mayor and Commissioners of the City of South Pittsburg, Tennessee to Enter into a Contract with Southeast Tennessee Development District Related to Planning Services and to Authorize the Mayor and City Recorder to Sign Such Contract*) was made by Commissioner Powers, seconded by Commissioner Wigfall. Voting aye were five, none opposed.

A **Motion** to pass **Resolution #928** (*A Resolution of the City of South Pittsburg Multi-Hazard Emergency Facility 2013 CDBG Application*) was made by Commissioner Wigfall, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Voting aye were five, none opposed.

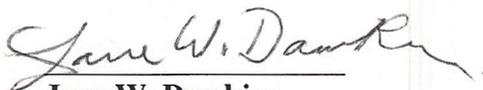
There was public acknowledgement of Form CT-0253 for the USDA Bond for the new Wastewater Treatment Plant, which must be forwarded to the Comptroller's office after public acknowledgment.

Upon **Motion** to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Wigfall, seconded by Commissioner Powers and no objection, the Mayor adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Mary Faye Payne  
City Recorder

Approved:

  
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Jane W. Dawkins  
Mayor