

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

The Board of Mayor and Commissioners held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 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 Kim Hobby to give the invocation and Peyton 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.

Mayor Dawkins asked the Board to review the minutes of the February 12th, 2013 board meeting. A **Motion** to approve the minutes with a change to paragraph three (3) on page three (3) from "seconded by Commissioner Wigfall to seconded by Commissioner Hughes" was made by Commissioner Wigfall, seconded by Commissioner Powers. Voting aye were five, none opposed.

The Mayor asked if there were any comments from citizens. Susan Baxter, representing South Pittsburg Youth Softball asked about the letter the organization sent for a donation. After discussion, it was agreed that the city will donate \$2K dollars as in past years. Citizens from Hamburg asked about the recent rezoning ordinance that affected the area and were told they could get copies of the ordinance at city hall on Wednesday.

The Mayor had the following comments:

I would like to present the Chief of Police and a representative of the Fire Department two framed prints from me and my brother Mickey Wilson. These are in appreciation of the great work you do for the city.

The Distinguished Young Woman Program will be Saturday, March 16, 2013 @ SPHS @ 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Princess Theatre will show the movie "Life of Pi" on Friday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m. We would like to have a few volunteers for these showings.

After comments from citizens and much discussion, the board agreed to continue the policy that is in place concerning feral cats within the city.

A **Motion** to hire the two part-time workers that worked November to February for the street department until the end of FY 2013 was made by Commissioner Lancaster, seconded by Commissioner Wigfall. Voting by roll call as follows: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner Wigfall, yes; Commissioner Powers, yes; Commissioner Hughes, yes; Mayor Dawkins, yes.

Commissioner Powers asked the have the lighting situation on Contour Avenue addressed. It appears that some of the street lights lighting the park need to be rotated and some need the trees trimmed around them. The Mayor asked Commissioner Wigfall and Powers to handle the situation if possible.

Commissioner Hughes asked about the road on South Cedar Avenue in front of Ronnie Swafford's body shop – the potholes need to be patched.

Lisa Bradford, Parks and Recreation Director set the date for Sparkle Day as April 13, 2013 – the rain delay date as April 20, 2013. Prizes will be awarded to the largest groups, water will be supplied by the utility department and lunch from the Dixie Freeze will be provided for all participants.

Terry Case, SPHA Director, said the emergency phone in the elevator at the senior apartments has been repaired and they will be restoring the elevator soon. They are working with Chief Winters on an emergency evacuation plan and a new advisory committee has been formed at the senior apartments and appears to be working well. Federal sequestration has not killed our summer food program yet so we are still hopeful that the program will be available this summer. We are plowing ground for the community garden – we had great success with the garden last year and hope for the same this year.

A **Motion** to nominate and appoint Johnny Cook to the parks and recreation board was made by Commissioner Wigfall, seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Voting aye were five, none opposed.

A **Motion** to add Vice-Mayor Hughes as a check signatory was made by the Mayor, seconded by Commissioner Wigfall. Voting by roll call as follows: Commissioner Lancaster, no; Commissioner Wigfall, yes; Commissioner Powers, no; Commissioner Hughes, yes; Mayor Dawkins, yes.

A **Motion** to pass **Ordinance # 738** (*An Ordinance of the City of South Pittsburg, Tennessee to Designate the Intersection at Second (2nd) Street and Cedar Avenue as a No Left Turn When Approaching North Intersection in the City of South Pittsburg, Tennessee*) on first (1st) reading was made by Commissioner Powers and died for lack of a second.

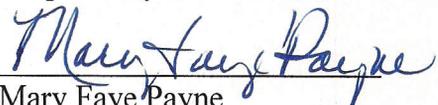
The city administrator job has been posted in the South Pittsburg Hustler for the next two weeks and will also be posted on the Chattanooga.com online. The applications and/or resumes must be submitted by April 1, 2013 @ 4:00 p.m. CDT. After the deadline the Mayor said a workshop would be called to review the applications and schedule interviews.

A **Motion** to pass **Resolution # 929** (*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.

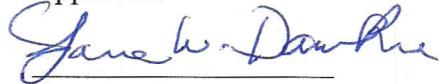
Al Reyes, President of the Sequatchie Valley Honor Guard asked the board to consider their use of the South Pittsburg National Guard Armory upon the city's acquisition. After the Mayor related the current status of the Armory and the apparent desire of the board to honor their request, the matter was passed until the property acquisition is finalized.

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

Respectfully submitted,


Mary Faye Payne
City Recorder

Approved:


Jane W. Dawkins
Mayor