

March 14, 2017

Mayor Virgil F. Holder	P
Commissioner Paul Don King	P
Commissioner Ronnie Lancaster	P
Commissioner Samantha Rector	P
Commissioner Jimmy P. Haley Jr.	P

The Board of Mayor and City Commissioners met in a regular city meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2017.

A **Motion** was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner King, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 14, 2017. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, yes; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Five voted aye.

A **Motion** was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner Rector, to approve the minutes of the special called meeting on February 24, 2017. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, yes; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Five voted aye.

A **Motion** was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to appoint Duke Raulston as the Events Coordinator for the Princess Theater. This is a volunteer position. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, yes; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Five voted aye.

A **Motion** was made by Commissioner King, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to appoint Bill Lawrence as the City Administrator for the City of South Pittsburg. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, yes; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Five voted aye.

A **Motion** was made by Commissioner Lancaster, seconded by Commissioner Haley, to appoint Ryan Meeks as the Chief of Police for the City of South Pittsburg. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, no; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Four voted aye.

Upon request from David Johnson, owner of the Dixie Freeze Restaurant, a **Motion** was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner Lancaster, to close Elm Avenue between 2nd and 3rd Street from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 29th, for the Classic Car Cruise In. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, yes; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Five voted aye.

A **Motion** was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner Rector, to appoint Christa Pesnell to the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals Board. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, yes; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Five voted aye.

A **Motion** was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner King, to increase the rental fee for the **Princess Theater** from \$150/day to \$400/day. An additional cleaning fee of \$125 will be added to the rental fee. The security deposit will remain the same, \$500, which will be refunded if the building is not damaged. The City will provide the sound technician and sound equipment. This fee applies to the Theater and also the meeting room upstairs. The rates will apply to all individuals, schools, organizations, and non-profit organizations. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, no; Commissioner Haley, no; Mayor Holder, yes. Three voted aye.

Linda Bean, City Auditor, with Householder Artman, presented the 2015-2016 Annual City Budget. No action was required.

A **Motion** was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner King, to increase the rental fee for the **National Guard Armory** from \$150/day to \$250/day. The security deposit will increase from \$100 to \$200 which will be

refunded if applicable. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, no; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Four voted aye.

Beth Duggar, President of the National Cornbread Festival, gave the Board information regarding the upcoming 21st Annual National Cornbread Festival. She requested the same street closings as the previous year. This would include Cedar Avenue, 4th Street to 5th Street, beginning on Monday, April 24th; Cedar Avenue, 1st Street through 5th Street, to be closed from Friday, April 28th through Sunday, April 30th. A **Motion** was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner Rector, to approve these road closures. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, yes; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Five voted aye.

The floor was open for citizens' comments.

A **Motion** to adjourn was made by Mayor Holder, seconded by Commissioner King. Roll call vote: Commissioner Lancaster, yes; Commissioner King, yes; Commissioner Rector, yes; Commissioner Haley, yes; Mayor Holder, yes. Five voted aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Virgil F. Holder
Diane Beavers, City Recorder