

January 12th, 2021

Mayor Samantha Rector	P
Commissioner Ronnie Lancaster	P
Commissioner Matt Stone	P
Commissioner Cheryl Kellermann	P
Commissioner Allison Buchanan	P

The Board of Mayor and City Commissioners met in a regularly City Meeting on January 12th, 2021.

A **Motion** was made Commissioner Stone, **seconded** by Mayor Kellermann, to **approve the minutes of the meetings** on November 10th, November 30th and December 21st, 2020. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

Comments from Mayor:

After a Recommendation from Mayor Rector, A **motion** was made by Vice Mayor Lancaster, **seconded** by Mayor Rector, to **appoint Commissioner Stone to the Planning Commission and Zoning Board to replace Commissioner Haley**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, abstain; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Four voted ayes.

After a recommendation from Mayor Rector, A **motion** was made by Vice Mayor Lancaster, **seconded** by Mayor Rector, to **appoint Jimmy Lovelady to replace Ed Reynolds (due to Death) on the Marion Natural Gas and Water Board**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

Mayor Rector appointed Commissioner Kellermann to be the Department Head for the Library and Commissioner Buchanan as the Department Head for the Fire Department.

Mayor Rector then advised Marion County Newspaper's publisher that his parking signs would need to be removed.

Mayor Rector discussed furthering enforcing the City of South Pittsburg's Leash Law.

Mayor Rector mentioned the Resolution 1012 on Flood Mitigation that the County will now be more involved, not responsible but will help in the flooding Issues.

Mayor Rector asked City Administrator Gene Vess that if an employee gets called in on a holiday would this be considered straight time. City Administrator advised if that employee has reached his 40 hours for the week, this would then be considered over-time, if the 40 hours in the week had not been reach, then this would be straight time.

Comments from Vice Mayor Lancaster:

N/A

Comments from Commissioner Buchanan:

Commissioner Buchanan asked if there were any solutions for Citizen's and business owners to be able to have their own designated parking spaces, City Attorney Billy Gouger advised to add this issue to a Workshop for discussion.

Commissioner Buchanan advised that the City should look into the TDOT Street Light Grant to have our Streetlights synced together.

Commissioner Buchanan also asked that the Curbs on Cedar Ave be more visible, maybe reflectors, also the bushes on Cedar Ave to be trimmed to make Cedar Ave more visible.

Commissioner Buchanan also suggested that a City Event should be catered from Catering Services within the City.

Comments from Commissioner Kellermann:

Commissioner Kellermann suggested to have a workshop to discuss the current fiscal year 2020-2021 budget, after discussion this will be added to the scheduled January 25th, 2021 workshop for the 2021-2022 budget.

Commissioner Kellermann requested a workshop to discuss hiring a full Time Grant Writer for the City, after discussion, this will be added to the scheduled workshop on January 25th, 2021 workshop.

Comments from Commissioner Stone:

Commissioner advised on update from MTAS on the scheduled workshop for January 14th, 2021 @ 4:30 with John Carlson from MTAs to discuss upgrading infrastructure and other services.

Commissioner Stone asked Attorney Billy Gouger, Procedure in selling vacant lots of City owned property.

After a recommendation from Commissioner Stone, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Lancaster, seconded by Commissioner Stone to Hire Winston Paul III as the Heavy-Duty Equipment Operator starting at \$39,000. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

After a **recommendation** from Police Chief Wayne Jordan, a **motion** was made by Vice Mayor Lancaster, **seconded** by Mayor Rector to accept Officer Tyler Roberts resignation as of 1/12/2021. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

After a **recommendation** from MNG Keith Garth, A **motion** was made by Commissioner Kellermann, **Seconded** by Commissioner Stone, to approve **Pivotal LNG as the Engineer for the Liquid Natural Gasification Project**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

A **motion** was made by Vice Mayor Lancaster, **Seconded** by Commissioner Stone, to approve **the change of ownership of the Lottery Food Mart for their Beer License**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **Seconded** by Commissioner Buchanan, to approve **1st Reading of Ordinance 813- An Ordinance To Abandon Alleyways Described Within The Body Of This Ordinance And Shown On The Attached Graphic Within The Corporate Limits Of The City Of South Pittsburg, Tennessee**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, abstain; Vice Mayor Lancaster, No; Mayor Rector, yes. Three voted ayes.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **Seconded** by Commissioner Stone, to approve **Resolution 1012- A Resolution By The Board Of Mayor And Commissioners Of The City Of South Pittsburg, Tennessee In Support Of The Studying Impact Of Flooding And Possible Mitigation Efforts And To Pursue Assistance From The Us Army Corp Of Engineers To Undertake These Efforts In The City Of South Pittsburg**. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Rector, **seconded** by Commissioner Stone to Adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Commissioner Kellermann, yes; Commissioner Buchanan, yes; Commissioner Stone, Yes; Vice Mayor Lancaster, yes; Mayor Rector, yes. Five voted ayes.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Samantha Rector
Heather Pickett, City Recorder