

MINUTES

TOWN OF LOUISVILLE Board of Mayor and Aldermen

August 12, 2014
7:00 p.m.

Present: Alderman Smith, Vice Mayor Gormley, Mayor Bickers, Aldermen Holley, Alderman Pugh

Absent: None

Others Present: Town Attorney David Buuck, Accountants Don and Julie Teffeteller and fifteen citizens

Mayor Bickers called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Mayor Bickers led the opening prayer.

Vice Mayor Gormley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Bickers introduced Jamie Daley, newly elected District 10 Blount County Commissioner.

MOTION by Holley to approve the minutes of the July 08, 2014 meeting of the BMA. Second by Gormley. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSES.**

Mayor's Report and Approval of Monthly Financial Report:

Financial report for month ending July 31 was reviewed.

As of 7/31/2014 \$1, 942.951.69

MOTION by Gormley to accept the July monthly financial report. Second by Smith. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSES.**

Mayor Bickers reported on the progress for the Flag Court and commented on the intent of the design. The project is on schedule and will be complete by October 01. A dedication ceremony

is planned for the Monday before Veteran's Day during the first week of November. Ben Curtis is assisting on the detailed plans for the dedication.

Mayor Bickers reminded everyone about the Octoberfest festivities on October 11. The Mayor listed some of the planned activities including the Kid's Fishing Tournament sponsored by Jim Hinkle and the planned Bike Ride. Middlesettlements Elementary School will again be heavily involved in the fund raising activities. An administrative planning meeting will be held on August 19 after the Planning Commission meeting.

Mayor Bickers proposed adding an agenda item to the Other Action Items, Item 3, for discussion of a potential inter-government agreement with Rockford, Tennessee.

MOTION by Bickers to add the agenda item for a potential inter-government agreement with Rockford. Second by Gormley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Citizens Comments: Joe Gallagher congratulated our recently elected District 10 Blount County Commisioners Kenneth Melton and Jamie Daley and thanked outgoing commissioner Gerald Kirby for his service. Wayne Lance thanked the BMA for consideration of the Cox wedding venue. Jamie Daley introduced herself to the community and thanked all for their support in the election.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF LOUISVILLE, TENNESSEE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE CONCERNING SPECIAL EXCEPTION USES (Wedding Venues) (First Reading).

Mayor Bickers presented the background and details for the proposed ordinance amendment. Vice Mayor expressed concern for this ordinance amendment setting a bad precedent for other potential requests in the future. Alderman Holley expressed concern about the number of events allowed by the proposed ordinance.

MOTION by Bickers to approve the ordinance as proposed. Second by Holley. VOTE: Smith – Yes, Gormley – No, Bickers – Yes, Holley – No, Pugh - No. **MOTION FAILS.**

Other Action Items:

1. Approval of Contract with Blount County on Planning Services

Mayor Bickers requested approval to renew the \$6,500 annual contract, for the FYE 2014-2015 budget year, with Blount County for the services of John Lamb as Planning Advisor to the Town of Louisville Planning Commission.

MOTION by Bickers for approval to renew contract with Blount County for planning advisory service of John Lamb. Second by Holley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

2. Discussion of FYE 2015 Road Improvement Projects

Town Engineer Swicegood reported on the status of bids for the 3-way stop at Mentor/Airbase Road, pothole repairs, culvert installations and paving for the 2014 Road Improvements. Estimated costs were reviewed for consideration by the BMA.

Mayor Bickers proposed approval of the following actions for the FYE 2015 Road Improvements:

1. Repair potholes on Lowes Ferry/Old Lowes Ferry Roads not to exceed \$5,000.
2. Install slurry coat on remaining Woodthrush Subdivision roads not to exceed \$50,000.
3. Modifications to intersection at Mentor/Airbase Roads including tree removal, fence relocation, signs and striping not to exceed \$3,500.
4. Install culverts at Crown Point/Light Pink intersection and on West Old Topside near Caroline Court not to exceed \$3,000.
5. Defer paving on Iddens Drive area to a future date.

MOTION by Bickers for approval to place contracts for FYE 2015 Road Improvements at the proposed not to exceed values. Second by Gormley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

3. Consideration of Inter-governmental Agreement with Rockford, Tennessee

Mayor Bickers communicated that the City of Rockford has asked if the Town of Louisville would be interested in entering into an inter-governmental agreement to provide mowing services for City of Rockford roads. Mayor Bickers recommended that the Town of Louisville not enter into an agreement. All BMA members agreed that the town of Louisville should not provide this type of service. Mayor Bickers will communicate that the Town of Louisville will not do this mowing service.

Board and Committee Appointments: None

Announcements/Comments from Individual Aldermen: None

MOTION by Smith to adjourn; Second by Gormley, VOTE: UNANIMOUS.
Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:03 p.m.

Mayor

Town Recorder