

**TOWN OF LOUISVILLE**  
**Board of Mayor and Aldermen**

March 13, 2018  
6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Bickers, Alderman Smith, Alderman Gormley, Vice Mayor Holley, Alderman Pugh (arrived 6:03 PM)

Absent: None

Others Present: Accountants Don and Julie Teffeteller and seven citizens.

Mayor Bickers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Bickers led the Opening Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**MOTION** by Holley to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2018 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 February 28 was reviewed.

As of 02/28/2018      \$2, 029,801.49

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

Mayor Bickers reported on the February 13 Public Hearing addressing potential regulation of firearm discharge inside the Town of Louisville. The public input was much appreciated by the BMA and discussion will continue concerning the type of regulation to be considered.

Mayor Bickers reminded everyone about the annual Louisville Cleanup event which will be held on Saturday, April 07. The Mayor encouraged all to participate. This will be the 9<sup>th</sup> annual cleanup event in partnership with Keep Blount Beautiful. The Town of Louisville will host a wrap-up and lunch at the Town Hall.

Mayor Bickers reminded everyone about the upcoming primary election to be held May 1, 2018. Be sure to register to vote and encourage others to register. The voter registration forms are available at Town Hall. Everyone's vote is important to the ongoing relationship between the TOL and Blount County.

Mayor Bickers reported on the status of the flashing beacon being considered for Middlesettlements Elementary School. Quotations have been reviewed and sufficient information is now available to place the order. Remote controls were considered but the school system prefers to have the Town of Louisville manually control the settings. Linda Webb will notify the successful bidder to begin procurement.

**Citizens Comments:** Bruce Icenhower noted that some trees along Hardy Blvd. pose a safety hazard and potential disruption of power. Bruce suggested the TOL contact Alcoa Utilities to trim these hazardous trees. Eric Smith inquired about results of the Public Hearing concerning firearm discharge, also whether there is a shooting range in the Spruce Hill area and what the financial results have been for the new TOL business license requirement..

**Resolutions and Ordinances:** None

**Other Action/Discussion Items:**

**1. Approval to Purchase 2018 F250 Fleet Truck:** Mayor Bickers reported on the status of bids for this vehicle. The low bidder was Lenoir City Ford at \$27,522.30. Barry Loope and Linda Webb have reviewed the bid in detail and all specifications and requirements by the TOL are included. Mayor Bickers recommended that we move forward with purchase.

**MOTION** by Gormley to approve the purchase of the fleet truck from Lenoir City Ford for \$27,552.30. Second by Smith. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSES.**

Linda Webb will notify Lenoir City Ford to proceed with the order.

**2. 2018 Fire Hydrants:** Town Engineer Swicegood reviewed the proposal to install eight additional fire hydrants at deficient areas within the TOL during 2018. Hydrants would be added on Holston College Road (2), Channel Harbor Drive (1), Haven Hill Road (1) and Miser Station Road (4). After discussion, Mayor Bickers recommended the fire hydrant installation proceed as presented.

**MOTION** by Gormley to proceed with the installation of eight fire hydrants as proposed during 2018. Second by Smith. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSES.**

Town Engineer Swicegood will notify South Blount Utility to proceed with the purchase of material for eight hydrants..

**3. 2018 Road Improvements/Paving:** Mayor Bickers reviewed the history and background for the development and utilization of the current rating system for TOL roads. Town Engineer Swicegood reviewed the 2018 Road Improvement Survey and recommendations for paving in the upcoming fiscal year 2018/19 beginning on July 01, 2018. Recommended paving for 2018 includes Rankin Ferry Loop #1 (section from Boat Dock Road to Jackson Pointe Drive), Boat Dock Road (West Old Topside to Louisville Road) and Mentor Alley.

After discussion, Mayor Bickers suggested that the storm drainage improvements needed on Boat Dock Road could be funded on the current budget. This engineering could then be completed before any paving work and could be included in the scope of work for paving. Also, the Mentor Alley paving work could be included in the current fiscal budget. Mayor Bickers recommended approval to start the Boat Dock Road storm water engineering (estimate \$5,000) and the Mentor Alley paving (estimated) \$10,000).

Town Engineer with prepare requests for bid for both the engineering and paving. Bids should be available for review no later than May 01 for both projects.

Also, Mayor Bickers recommended approval of the 2018 Road Improvement Survey.

**MOTION** by Holley to approve the 2018 Road Improvement Survey as presented. Second by Pugh. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Town Engineer Swicegood will post the approved 2018 Road Improvement Survey on the TOL website.

**Board and Committee Appointments:** None

**Announcements/Comments from Individual Aldermen:** None

**MOTION** by Holley to adjourn the meeting; Second by Gormley, VOTE: UNANIMOUS. Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:45p.m.

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Mayor

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Town Recorder