

Minutes
Bluff City Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Special Called Meeting
November 19, 2015
4:00 P.M.

Mayor Wells called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Members present were John Harrison, Sandra Madison, Ray Harrington and Richard Bowling.

Tanya Cordle was absent.

Prayer was given by Richard Bowling, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wells opened the floor for the following:

Citizen Comments- First Section

Don Weaver of 4336 Bluff City Highway stated that, in reference to the 2008 Police cruiser needing repair, he felt that they should sale it and lease a new one, as it would be a waste to repair it. Mayor Wells stated that the Chief was looking into it and would report back.

Discussion / Action – Minutes for the November 3, 2015 regular meeting were approved with a motion by Vice Mayor Harrington. Second by Alderman Bowling. All in favor.

Discussion / Action – Minutes for the November 10, 2015 Special Called Meeting were approved with a motion by Alderman Bowling. Second by Vice Mayor Harrington. All in favor.

Discussion / Action – Paving Estimates

Paving estimates were from Sullivan County at \$20,954.06 and from Country Aire at \$24,817.90 which does not include any speed tables but Sullivan County does include them. Motion to approve the estimate from Sullivan County was made by Vice Mayor Harrington. Second by Alderman Bowling. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion / Action – 2008 Dodge Police Cruiser Repairs

Chief Depew stated that they had spent \$3,295 for a new engine last year in one of the cars. Chief Depew stated that he felt that they just keep putting money into the cars and he felt that they should look into leasing new cars other than the Dodge. Mr Depew stated that he would look into it. Motion to sale the vehicles instead of repairing them, was made by Vice Mayor Harrington. Second by Alderwoman Madison. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion / Action – Salary for Dean Fields

Mayor Wells stated that she feels that since Mr Fields obtained both of his licenses for water distribution and operator, we need to give his salary back to him that they had taken away. Motion to return the salary back to Dean Fields was made by Alderman Bowling. Second by Vice Mayor Harrington. All in favor. Motion carried. Mayor Wells stated that in reinstating Mr Fields salary she did not feel that they had the money to give the public works employees anything like the board was requesting and she does not feel like they could give the public works employees

something as that would only have 2 other employees that wasn't getting something. Mayor Wells feels that they should postpone giving a merit increase until next year if possible. Mayor Wells stated that none of the increases they had given were merit increases they were adjustments. There were no comments.

Discussion / Action – Reconsider Amount to Demilitarize the Military Equipment

Mayor Wells stated that we do not have \$10,000 in the budget to be able to put that amount on a contract to give to the military service. Motion to reconsider amount was made by Alderman Bowling. Second by Vice Mayor Harrington. Vote went as follows: Alderman Harrison – Yes, Alderwoman Madison – Abstained, Vice Mayor Harrington – Yes, Alderman Bowling – Yes. Motion carried.

Motion to consider \$1000 for demilitarizing the military equipment was made by Alderman Harrison. Second By Vice Mayor Harrington. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion / Action- Building Inspector - Jeffrey Crussell

Mayor Wells reported that she had found someone to be our building inspector. Mayor Wells stated that the previous inspector received 75% of the permit fee and duties outside the permits such as swimming pools with no fence around them he got paid \$15.00 per hour. Vice Mayor Harrington asked if he had good credentials. Mayor Wells stated that he is the man that she told them about where another man had agreed to work with him until he gets his license within a year. Motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Harrington. Second by Alderman Bowling. Vote was as follows: Alderman Harrison – Yes, Alderwoman Madison – No, Vice Mayor Harrington- Yes, Alderman Bowling Yes. Motion carried.

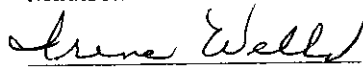
Citizen Comments – Second Section

Don Weaver asked if Jeffrey Crussell was the President of the Kal Ripken ball league. Mayor Wells stated that she did not know but he works some for the school system in Piney Flats. Mr Weaver asked for a copy of the city's payroll for one week. Mayor Wells stated yes.

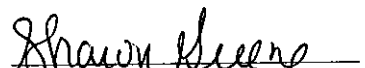
David Smith of 200 Highland stated that he would like to have it on the agenda for the next meeting, the water cut off (reconnect fee) dropped back to \$25 instead of \$50.

Mayor Wells stated that it may be on the agenda after that as they have to go to Nashville on December 3rd.

With no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Bowling. Second by Alderwoman Madison. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.


Irene Wells, City Manager

Attest this 19th day of November, 2015


Sharon Greene, City Recorder