## Minutes Bluff City Board of Mayor and Aldermen Special Called Meeting December 8, 2020

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

Members present were Carol Keith, Jeff Broyles, Ray Harrington, Eric Ward and Richard Bowling.

Prayer was given by Alderman Jeff Broyles, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wells opened the floor for the following:

Citizen Comments – There were no comments.

Discussion / Action for the following Non Profit Groups

City Attorney Paul Frye reported that this is for the Non Profits we put in the budget. It is Resolution 2020-005 thru Resolution 2020-017. Mr Frye read the name of the Organizations and the amount for each. Bluff City Senior Citizens - \$500.00, Over Mountain Trail - \$500.00, Bluff City Vol. Fire Department - \$5,000.00, Piney Flats Vol. Fire Department - \$1,000.00, Second Harvest Food Bank - \$500.00, Boone Lake Association - \$500.00, Friends of Thomas Memorial Library - \$500.00, Bluff City Community Aid -\$500.00, Children's Advocacy Center of Sullivan County - \$500.00, Bluff City Rescue Squad- \$1,000.00, Impact Community Center - \$25,000.00 for Veterans Memorial, Keep Bristol Beautiful- \$500.00, Bluff City Boys and Girls Club - \$500.00. Motion to approve was made by Alderman Bowling. Second by Vice Mayor Harrington. Vote was as follows: Alderwoman Keith – Yes, Alderman Broyles – Yes, Vice Mayor Harrington – Yes, Alderman Ward – Yes and Alderman Bowling – Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion – Package Liquor and Liquor by the drink

City Attorney Paul Frye stated the election results have been certified. Mr Frye stated we need to have a workshop that has this subject on it only after the first of the year. For the Liquor stores, we will take applications for Certificate of Good Moral Character, which is what it is called in the code. The applicant will be responsible for providing us with a background check and he and the Chief will review it. Mr Frye stated they would go into more at a workshop. Something they have to look at is our zoning for liquor stores. Mr Frye stated something that you will have to decide is the number of liquor stores you are going to allow. Beer sales will have to comply with the State Liquor by the Drink laws. Right now we can sale 7 days a week- 24 hours a day, but we are not going to be able to do that, since we got liquor by the drink. We will have to cut those hours back to whatever they are. It is a good time to rewrite our beer law and our liquor law. Mr Frye stated this will be discussed sometime in January at a workshop.

Mayor Wells stated that at the next meeting they will have some information about the projects.

With no other business, a motion to adjourn was made by Alderwoman Keith. Second by Vice Mayor Harrington. Vote was as follows: Alderwoman Keith – Yes, Alderman Broyles – Yes, Vice Mayor Harrington – Yes, Alderman Ward – Yes and Alderman Bowling – Yes. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Irene Wells, Mayor / City Manager

Attest this  $8^{th}$  day of December, 2020

Sharon Greene, Recorder / CMFO