

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Oliver Springs Town Council was called to order by Mayor Chris Hepler on March 7, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. All were present except Gary Stinnett, who had an excused absence.

The meeting was opened in prayer by City Recorder Van Hook followed by the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Brummett and second by Craze to approve the minutes of the previous meeting with the correction that under comments by Mr. Walker, "Mr. Walker explained that the Police Department pays four hundred dollars per year out of the drug fund to a government website that allows the Police Department to obtain equipment and supplies on a free basis." The words "reduced cost" should be deleted as any items acquired by the Police Department from this website are free. All voted aye.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR HEPLER:

- A. Mayor Hepler advised that he had met with Police Chief Morgan and cleaned out several of the offices at the old City Hall building. He found of interest a 1958 land use analysis document for Oliver Springs which contained maps and analysis as to how the Town could be expanded. He also found several receipts from Mr. Van dated 1931 for newspapers, which he delivered as a Knoxville News Sentential paperboy. He also found a 1989-1991 picture of Town Council and a 1997-2001 picture of Town Council.

COMMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER TREECE

- A. The Street Department has received a shipment of new street signs and traffic control signs which will be installed over the next several weeks.
- B. Several smaller roadway areas have been patched and the Street Department will continue to patch until the repaving list has been completed.
- C. The street crew has been working to assist the sewer plant in cleaning the grounds, cutting vegetation, and making repairs, and deserved a solid round of thanks for all this hard work.
- D. The Street Department continues to clean and maintain the garage property to maintain strong organization.
- E. The yellow exterior garage gate has been located to the interior side of the bridge insuring that the gate cannot swing into the driving lane if left unlocked. This was a recommendation made TML last fall.
- F. Mrs. Treece is working with all departments on the preparation of the 2013-2014 budget, and once completed, it will be submitted for review.
- G. Mrs. Treece also recommended increasing the rental fee and the cleaning fee for the Tuppertown Community Center, which would be further discussed in new business.
- H. Librarian Larissa Walker will experience vacation time and may also need time off for family illness or other good reasons. Mrs. Treece recommended that the part-time assistant to City Finance Officer Walker, Billie Jo Marney, be cross trained to serve as a substitute librarian. After discussion, which included input from library committee member Mimi Brock (who was present in the audience), informally the Town Council agreed, and the Mayor so instructed and authorized, that Mrs. Marney be allowed two additional extra hours per week to

be crossed trained as a substitute librarian, provided that her schedule not exceed twenty-eight hours per week.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

None.

COMMENTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mr. Holland asked and the Mayor advised that the planning commission had met only one time with the new planner. Mr. Holland asked and the Mayor so directed that the planning commission minutes and other communications to the planning commission, be provided not only to Councilman Holland, but to the other planning commission members, by mail on or before the Friday before the following Tuesday meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

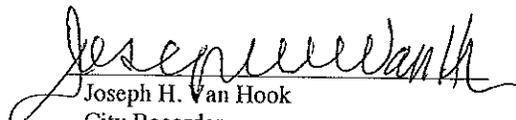
Due to the absence of City Finance Officer Walker at a continuing training seminar, action on the library grant was deferred until the next meeting.

Due to the resignation of Insurance Committee Chairman Walker, upon recommendation by the Mayor, motion by Cox and second by Brummett to appoint Terry Craze as the Chairman of the Insurance Committee. This passed 4-1, Mr. Craze abstaining.

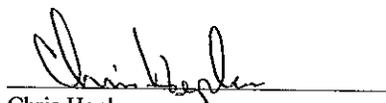
The Mayor called for discussion about raising the Tuppertown Community Center rental deposit to thirty-five dollars and the rental fee to fifty dollars. Mr. Brummett suggested that increasing the fee could place the use of the Tuppertown Community Center for birthday parties and other gatherings out of financial reach for an average family. Mr. Brummett recommended a much smaller increase. After further discussion, motion by Walker and second by Craze to raise the deposit to thirty-five dollars and the rental fee to fifty dollars for the Tuppertown Community Center. This passed 4-1, Mr. Brummett voting no.

With no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was, upon motion duly made and seconded and unanimously approved, adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Joseph H. Van Hook
City Recorder

APPROVED:


Chris Hepler
Mayor

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