

Minutes from the Commission Meeting held on

December 10, 2012

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood met in regular session on Monday, December 10, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Tony Hawn called the meeting to order with Commissioners Alan Phillips, Jerry Shirk, Terry Hanner, and Wes Atwell present.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Jerry Shirk.

APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 2012 MINUTES

Motion was made by Shirk, seconded by Phillips to approve the November 2012 Minutes. All Ayes.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Tony Hawn wanted to say a big thank you to C.A.G.E. for a great Christmas parade. He also stated there were several projects going on including renovations to the city buildings.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

There were no commissioner reports at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Town Manager Jamie Moses stated that lights have been installed inside City Hall and in the maintenance building with duct work also having been started in the maintenance building. A walk thru was done at the Police Department and at the Water Plant with bids for the Water Plant being due by Thursday, December 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

NOVEMBER 2012 FINANCIAL REPORT

Town Manager Moses stated that General Fund has spent more than was taken in but that was due to the completion of the retaining wall at the park and paying back Fletcher Architect. **Motion** was made by Phillips, seconded by Hanner to approve the November 2012 financial report. All Ayes.

CLOSING OF CITY HALL DUE TO CHRISTMAS

City Hall will close at noon on Friday, December 21, 2012 for the Christmas dinner and be closed all day Christmas Eve and reopening Wednesday, December 26, 2012. **Motion** was made Shirk, seconded by Phillips to follow this schedule. All Ayes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Wright read the November 2012 Police Department report. Commissioner Hanner thanked the Police Department for the good job they were doing with Mayor Hawn agreeing. Phillips also stated they were doing a good job and there were no complaints about the Police Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Roach was not present at the meeting. Report was read by Phillips.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Jerry Shirk suggested redoing the signs for the park entrance and maybe adding a few signs on Highway 411 to make citizens aware of activities going on at the park. Shirk also stated a few more city limit signs were needed and suggested dressing up the city signs by adding the motto "Great Place to Live". Mayor Hawn asked Shirk to get a total number of signs needed and prices and to present them at the January 2013 meeting. **Motion** was made by Phillips, seconded by Hanner to table this matter till the January 2013 meeting. All Ayes.

Linda Davis was at meeting and she stated she wants the garbage truck business out of her back yard. Mayor Hawn asked Mrs. Davis if there was a court date already in effect and she stated there was one but our attorney had it reset. Mrs. Davis stated her attorney feels this matter could be taken care with a new board in place. Attorney Russell Blair stated he would check with our TML attorney on the status of the hearing and that pending litigations could not be discussed. Mayor Hawn asked Blair to check on this matter and bring the information to the January 2013 meeting. Shirk agreed this matter needs to be taken care of.

Phillips spoke on opportunities for grants stating there was a Clean Tennessee Energy Grant which was a 50/50 matching grant with a maximum amount of \$250,000. This grants focus was on biodiesel, geothermal, solar, and wind. Another option was the Transportation Alternatives grant and it was a 80/20 matching grant with the average

grant amount of \$350,000 meaning the city would have to only put up 20%. Phillips stated we could borrow the money to pay for it but would most likely be in next year's budget and would probably take two years to complete. This grant could include sidewalks on Niota Road and Sunset Avenue with a walking trail at the gazebo starting at the gazebo in town running down Tellico Street and back around. Hanner asked if the city owned the property and Phillips stated that was the railroad right away and the city has leased the property for years. February 1, 2013 is the deadline for the grant and we could get ideas and a proposal package together and the city manager could apply for the grant. **Motion** made by Hanner , seconded by Phillips to apply for grant. All Ayes.

Phillips also spoke on the remodeling project going on and we were doing a good job cost wise compared to the \$400,000 that was originally going to be spent on a new building. He stated Ron Ledford and three inmates from the county were doing the labor so the only out of pocket expenses we have incurred was the cost of materials. The next focus would be on the city hall roof leak and drive thru and whatever else the girls wanted done or needed. He suggested paying for it out of reserve because it isn't budgeted and pay the expenses as they occur and when completed if we have to dip into the \$54,000 Office Equipment Savings do so and do ordinances for the amount needed then in May cash in the CD to replenish the office equipment savings account then put the rest in general fund and not renew the CD because it was not drawing any interest.

John King was present at meeting speaking about grants and how the community block grant has failed two times basically because water line replacement projects, where you are replacing the lines yourselves, are low priority on grant money with high priority being water line extensions. Now the emphasis is people with water and the environmental issues like sewer, or I & I (inflow infiltration) . So the grant possibility would be a sewer rehabilitation within the existing system which would include replacing pump stations and things in that nature. Mr. King will be back at the January 2013 meeting with more information.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Hanner, seconded by Shirk to adjourn the meeting. All Ayes.

Wright

Tony Hawn
Mayor

Ramona
Recorder

