

## KINGSTON SPRINGS CITY COMMISSION – AUGUST 20, 2009

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by John McLeroy at 7:00 p.m. at the Beck Meeting Hall.

**Commissioners in attendance:** Gary Corlew, Craig Kitch, Pam Lorenz, John McLeroy and Jim Schippers

**In attendance not voting:** Laurie Cooper, Larry Craig and Debbie Finch

**Quorum:** John McLeroy declared there was a quorum.

**Approval of Minutes:** The July 16, 2009 minutes were circulated. There were no corrections. The minutes were approved on a motion by Pam Lorenz and seconded by Craig Kitch with a unanimous vote.

**Approval of Agenda:** Laurie Cooper requested that (8G) be added to the agenda under new business to discuss the Emergency Management Building site. The agenda was approved with the above addition on a motion by Craig Kitch and a second by Jim Schippers with a unanimous vote.

**Announcements from Commissioners:** Craig Kitch stated that area resident; Krystyna Zurawicki had received her American Citizenship.

**Community Input:** Steven Roppel stated to the board that his son was not able to play soccer due to missing the sign up dates. He stated that this was due to a communication gap with the Kingston Springs Parks. He stated that they were not adequately notified and no “sign up” signs were placed in Pegram. He asked the board to direct the city manager to allow his son to play at no additional cost. He stated that they would purchase the uniform.

Mark Garafola of 123 Luyben Hills Road, Kingston Springs, TN, stated that he and his wife were the new owners of the Mid-Town Inn and Suite.

Marion Fowlkes of Cemetery Road, Kingston Springs, TN, stated that TDOT would be doing a presentation on things that could be done at the interstate. He stated that the Planning Commission intended to use this opportunity to do some additions. He asked the board to support them.

Dianna Shew of 1949 CC Road, Kingston Springs, TN, and chairperson for the Kingston Springs Planning Commission, stated that the board had addressed the Emergency Management Building Site in their meeting. She stated that the building site and the current fire station were both large sites and far apart from each other. The Planning Commission would like to see these two sites closer together to preserve green space and to have sound and visual buffers along with other

reasons. She stated that the planning commission could not solve these issues and asked the board to look at political solutions.

**Department Reports:** Laurie Cooper reported to the board that the Police Department had worked diligently on solving the break in at Trailer Centers USA and their work had lead to the arrest of a ring of five or six. They were also able to recover some of the stolen merchandise.

Laurie Cooper reported to the board that the Parks made every effort to make the public aware of the soccer sign up dates. They advertised in the Advocate in the calendar and sports page as well as posted signs around town. She stated that they have a cut off date for signs up and that they extended that by a week. There must be a drop dead date. Uniforms have to be ordered and teams put together. Mrs. Cooper stated that others were turned away after the drop dead date as well as Mr. Roppell. Of the (112) soccer players (33) are from out of town: White Bluff, Pegram and Nashville.

The board of commissioners supported the parks handling of those that wanted to sign up after the drop dead date and the efforts to communicate with the public.

Gary Corlew made a motion to approve the department reports with a second by Pam Lorenz. The motion was approved unanimously.

Debbie Finch reported to the commission that the books had been closed for the fiscal year 2008-2009. She reported to the commission that there was \$887,181.91 in the General Fund Bank Accounts. After setting aside designated funds, the ending fund balance for June 30, 2009 was \$198,739.50. Mrs. Finch recommended that the board fund the following from the ending fund balance: (Reserve Fund - \$10,000) (Vehicle Replacement Funds - \$24,000) (Future Land and Buildings - \$3,000.00). This would leave an ending fund balance of \$161,739.50 for the General Fund.

Mrs. Finch also recommended that the board fund the Sewer Vehicle Fund (\$3,000).

Gary Corlew made the motion to fund the recommendations made by Mrs. Finch. The motion was seconded by Pam Lorenz and carried unanimously.

**Updates:** There were no updates.

### **Unfinished Business**

**Proclamation: Bridget Jones as Honorary Citizen:** Mrs. Cooper had presented the board with a copy of the proclamation, they felt it looked nice.

**Ron Merville – Energy Source Partners – Proposal to City:** Mr. Merville presented the board with an estimated annual cost for the solar system. He explained that the electric meters would be read by Dickson Electric as well as the green meters. The green meter results would be

sent to TVA and reimbursed by TVA. Mr. Merville stated that the town's savings would be 25%. The board still had lots of questions and took no action.

**Approval of Bid for Bridge Repair on South Harpeth Road:** Mrs. Cooper reported that they had received three bids for the bridge repair. All the bids were high and Mrs. Cooper recommended that the board not accept the bids and let her come back next month with some different options. Craig Kitch made the motion to reject all bids which was seconded by Pam Lorenz. The motion passed unanimously.

**Maple Street Update:** The board was presented with a letter from the city engineers that making Maple Street on-way (North) would take care of all the issues that had been presented to them. Pam Lorenz made the motion to make Maple Street a one-way which was seconded by Jim Schippers. Gary Corlew stated that one way was not best for the speeding problem and asked who would be responsible for the mailboxes that would have to be moved. Pam Lorenz amended her motion to make Maple Street one-way (North) effective November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 and that the town would be responsible for moving the mailboxes. The motion was seconded by Jim Schippers and carried on the following vote: Corlew-No, Kitch-Yes, Lorenz-Yes, McLeroy-Yes and Jim Schippers-Yes.

### **New Business**

**Resolution 09-007 – TML Safety Grant:** Pam Lorenz made the motion to approve Resolution 09-007. The motion was seconded by Craig Kitch and carried unanimously.

**Ten Year Road Plan:** Mrs. Cooper presented the board with the Ten Year Road Plan and explained it to them.

**Main Street Crosswalk:** Pam Lorenz stated that she feels there needs to be another crosswalk on Main Street. Mrs. Cooper explained the obstacles with adding another cross walk to the board. After discussion the board decided to take no action.

**Leadership Cheatham County Donation Request:** The board took no action on the request.

**County Maps Reprint – Cost Participation:** Pam Lorenz made the motion to not advertise in the county maps. The motion was seconded by Craig Kitch and carried unanimously.

**Governor's Conference on Tourism – Request for Funds:** John McLeroy stated to the board that he would like to have someone attend this conference. Jim Schippers made the motion to pay for one attendee at \$259.00. The motion was seconded by Pam Lorenz and carried unanimously. The board decided that the city manager should be the attendee.

**Emergency Management Site Discussion:** After much discussion Craig Kitch made the motion to authorize negotiations with the Board of Education to amend the lease on Fire Hall #2. The motion was seconded by Pam Lorenz and carried unanimously. John McLeroy will meet with the EMS, Board of Education and their engineer, Tony Reasons.

**Planning Commission Update:** John McLeroy stated that the board discussed the EMS building site.

**Joint Economic Community Development Board Update:** Laurie Cooper stated that there was a board meeting with normal business conducted along with discussion on sharing an office with the chamber.

**Other:** Mrs. Cooper stated that there were grants available but the town has not applied because they had no suitable projects. John McLeroy stated that the town was very lacking in not having a master plan. Mrs. Cooper stated that a master plan would cost the town \$50,000.00 or more.

**Adjourn:** John McLeroy adjourned the meeting at 9:10 pm.

---

John McLeroy, Mayor

---

Debbie K. Finch, Recorder