City of Whitwell  
Board of Commission Meeting  
December 8, 2016

Meeting called to order by City Attorney Tommy Austin.

Invocation was given by Jim Troyer.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bobby Miller.

Roll Call – As follows:

1. Mayor Linda Hooper – Present  
2. Commissioner Sandra Crabtree - Present  
3. Commissioner Terry Parker - Present  
4. Commissioner Micah Atterton - Absent  
5. Vice-Mayor Jim Nunley –Present  
6. City Manager – Tina Green is acting City Manager-Present  
7. City Attorney – Thomas Austin – Present  
8. City Recorder – Angela Cookston is acting City Recorder – Present

Election of Officers

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to keep Tina Green as City Manager, and let Tina appoint Angela Cookston as acting City Recorder, and to take applications for a new City Manager with the proper qualifications, then Tina Green will be the City Recorder and seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker for Commissioner Linda Hooper to become the new Mayor, and seconded by Commissioner Crabtree. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

A motion was made by Mayor Hooper for Commissioner Jim Nunley to become the new Vice-Mayor, and seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley to approve the minutes from the November 10th meeting, and was seconded by Commissioner Crabtree. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

New Business

1. Michael Griffith with Tennessee American Water- 2016 Firefighting Support Grant. Mr. Griffith presented this grant to the Whitwell Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of $450.00.
2. Cindy Tripp on speed bump on Hawthorne Street- A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Jim Nunley to pay $212.00 for a new tire, and seconded by Commissioner Crabtree. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

3. Dorothy Hutchinson speed bump on Incline Road- Mrs. Hutchinson did not come to the meeting. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley to remove the speed bump on the Incline, and seconded by Commissioner Crabtree. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

4. City Web Site and Facebook page- A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley to pay Marilyn Frazier by the hour what she makes at the Library and keep a log on when she is working on the web site and Facebook page, and seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

Old Business

1. Update on survey for land swap with Marion County School Board- Tommy Austin our City Attorney will try to find a surveyor.
2. Update on Commissioners’ training with MTAS- Ms. Honna Rogers is helping to advise the new commission.

City Manager/City Recorder Report was given by Tina Green.

1. Board’s approval of employees Christmas bonuses- A motion was made by Commissioner Crabtree to give the city employees their Christmas Bonuses, and seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries. (Please see attached list for employees Christmas bonuses)
2. Board’s approval for repairs to grasshopper lawn mower- This item was tabled until next meeting.
3. Board’s approval of purchase of John Deere Mower for Park-State Bid- A motion was made by Commissioner Crabtree to bid this item through sealed bid, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
4. Board’s approval to bid out work to be done on storage building next door per Roy Brackett’s recommendations- This item was tabled until next meeting.

Departmental Reports

1. Police Department Report was given by Rodney Easterly. Monthly report for November was as follows: 8 accident reports, 10 offense reports, 30 City court cases, 3 arrest made, 8 General Sessions cases, 0 Circuit Court cases, 0 Juvenile Court cases, calls for service 172 and $1,105.00 in fines was collected for the month.

2. Fire Department Report – There was a total of 16 calls and 5,000 gallons of water usage for the month of November.

3. Library Report – For the month of November patron count was 2513, computer users 867.
4. **Senior Citizen Report** – No report given.

**Committee Reports**

1. **Park Board Report** – No report given.
2. **Planning Commission** – Planning Vice-Chairman Sandra Crabtree said she had been working with Madelyn Shelton with Southeast Tennessee Development on low-income housing, and has been getting new TDOT guidelines for driveways, and cell phone towers and regulations, and studying the Sunshine Laws. The next meeting will be January 26, 2017 at 6:00 pm.
3. **Neighborhood Nuisance**– Mr. Roy Brackett is still working on properties that need to be cleaned up.

**Legal Business**

1. A motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #331 to amend Ordinance #306 and #326 to replace the 2009 edition of the International Building Codes with the 2015 edition was made by Commissioner Parker and was seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

2. A motion to approve Resolution #242 Amending Resolution #221 that will add for the use of an Officer’s Personal Taser to the Current Taser Policy for the City of Whitwell, Tennessee was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley, and seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

3. A motion to approve Resolution #243 terminating the authority of Cindy Easterly and Steve Atterton to sign checks on behalf of the City of Whitwell’s various bank accounts and to add Terry Parker, Sandra Crabtree and Jim Nunley as signatory authority on behalf of the City of Whitwell was made by Commissioner Sandra Crabtree and seconded by Vice-Mayor Jim Nunley. All Commissioner voted yes. Motion carries.

**Announcements**

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Parker, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.