

**City of Whitwell  
Board of Commission Meeting  
January 12, 2017**

**Meeting called to order by Mayor Hooper.**

**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**

A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve the minutes from the December 8th meeting, with a correction to New Business Item 4 to add that Commissioner Parker seconded the motion that had been made by Vice-Mayor Nunley, and was seconded by Commissioner Crabtree. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.

**New Business**

1. Speed Humps on Incline-Sherman and Carolyn Durrow talked with the Commission about their concerns. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley to have the Fire Chief to see where he would like the speed hump to be placed for safety issues, and seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries. A motion was also made by Commissioner Parker to check on the cost of a permanent speed hump, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
2. Trailer at 356 Illinois Avenue-Bobby Perkins said he was interested in purchasing the trailer from the City, and he was willing to pay the delinquent taxes on the property. A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley for Mr. Perkins to pay \$1700.00 to the City of Whitwell to purchase the trailer at 356 Illinois Avenue and this amount will also include the delinquent taxes, seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
3. Recycling- A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley to put a recycling bin at the Convenience Center, and seconded by Commissioner Crabtree.

**Old Business**

1. Update on survey for land swap with Marion County School Board- surveyor to give a price.

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

1. Board approval to pay Lofty Paving invoice in the amount of \$202,807.50- A motion was made by Commissioner Crabtree to pay Lofty Paving \$202,807.50, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
2. December six-month Financial Report/Review-Commissioners reviewed reports.

**Departmental Reports**

1. **Police Department Report was given by Rodney Easterly.** Monthly report for December was as follows: 4 accident reports, 12 offense reports, 17 City court cases, 3 arrests made, 2 General Sessions cases, 0 Circuit Court cases, 1 Juvenile Court case, calls for service 159 and \$1,550.00 in fines were collected for the month. Chief Easterly said the department had received a grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Program for \$5,000.00, and would like the Commission to approve the purchase of 2 radars. A motion to approve purchase of 2 radars from the grant money was made by Commissioner Parker, and seconded by Commissioner Crabtree. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries. A motion to investigate cost of putting turn signals in the traffic lights at Highway 28 and intersection of Highway 28 and 283 was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley, and seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
2. **Fire Department Report** – There was a total of 145 calls for the year, and this was the most in the county. Chief Brown explained 45 of these calls were mutual aid calls. Chief Brown did get quotes for a tornado warning siren, and he spoke with Clay Copeland from USDA and they may qualify for a grant to get the siren. A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to pursue the grant, and seconded by Commissioner Crabtree. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries. A motion was made by Commissioner Crabtree to meet with Mr. Steve Lamb and Mr. Clay Copeland to have them to help answer questions the Commission may have, seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries. A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to get 3 quotes for cost to repair the Firehall Training floor, and for it not to exceed \$1,500 and have the Fire Department to fix the repairs, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
3. **Library Report** – For the month of November patron count was 596, computer users 907.
4. **Senior Citizen Report** – The Senior Center was awarded a grant for \$54,000.00 and BJ is going to use this to purchase a passenger van.

## **Committee Reports**

- 1. Park Board Report** – The Park Board has updated their by-laws and committee members. A motion was made by Commissioner Parker to approve the new by-laws, and seconded by Commissioner Crabtree. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
- 2. Planning Commission** – 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. The Commission would also like Mr. Brackett to check the residence at 724 South Main Street.

## **Legal Business**

- 1.** A motion to approve the third 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 Crabtree and was seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
- 2.** A motion to approve Resolution #244 to establish a Take-Home Vehicle 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 #245 to authorize the execution of the purchasing documents with Mobility Trans Services for the purchase of a passenger van for the Whitwell Senior Center was made by Commissioner Crabtree, and seconded by Vice-Mayor Nunley. All Commissioners voted yes. Motion carries.
- 4.** A motion to approve Ordinance #332 to amend the annual operating budget & capital program for the City of Whitwell, Tennessee for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 was made by Vice-Mayor Nunley, and seconded by Commissioner Parker. All Commissioners 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.

Mayor

Luis M. Hernandez

Recorder

Angela Caston

Acting  
City  
Recorder