

Minutes of the Meeting
Of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Of the Town of Thompson's Station, Tennessee
August 9, 2011

Call to Order:

The meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Thompson's Station was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on the 9th day of August, 2011, at the Thompson's Station Community Center with the required quorum. Members and staff in attendance were: Corey Napier, Mayor; Ron Barrett, Alderman; Sarah Benson, Alderman; Nina Cooper, Alderman; Brinton Davis, Alderman; Greg Langeliers, Town Administrator; Doug Goetsch, Town Recorder; Todd Moore, Town Attorney; Wendy Deats, Town Planner; and Richard King, Building Codes Official.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

The minutes of the June 14, 2011 meeting were previously submitted, and were approved unanimously upon a motion by Alderman Benson and second by Alderman Cooper.

Announcements:

Ms. Deats stated that park playground improvement project was about begin construction with completion slated for the end of August. She also stated that the Sweet Tea festival was going to be combined into the Fall festival and moved to the Town Park and held on September 24th. Also, the Economic Development Steering Committee will have their first meeting on August 15th. Mars Petcare has submitted plans for both the Planning Commission and Design Review Commission to consider at meetings this month.

Mr. Langeliers stated that a ribbon-cutting to open the new trail in the Town Park that crosses the southern part of the park and continues onto county school property at Heritage Commons. The ceremony will be on August 15th at 3:00 p.m.

Town Administrator's Report. (copy in file)

Mr. Langeliers referenced the report and added that TDEC would be inspecting the Regional Wastewater Plant on August 11th.

Budget Report (copy in file)

Mr. Goetsch gave a report on the budget.

Old Business:

Mayor Napier inquired about a long-standing grading project a property owner had been working on, located at Pantall Road and Critz Lane. Mr. Langeliers went over the history of this situation and stated that he would send a letter to the property owner to get the status of the project.

Item 1 – Resolution 11-003 That Authorizes the Organization of the Industrial Development Board of the Town of Thompson’s Station

Mr. Langeliers gave an overview of the purpose and usefulness of an Industrial Development Board. Mr. Moore stated that an IDB promotes business development and additional employment opportunities within the Town. It would be a separate entity from the Town, and IDB board members must be Town taxpayers but can not be employees or Board members of the Town. Seven people will serve staggered six-year terms on the IDB board. It was discussed that members of the Economic Development Steering Committee could serve on the IDB as well.

After discussion, motion to adopt Resolution 11-003 was made by Alderman Cooper, seconded by Alderman Benson, and was unanimously adopted.

Item 2 – First Reading of Ordinance 11-008 That Amends the Budget Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2011-2012

Mr. Goetsch presented the amended budget and explained the line item that was changed by this ordinance.

After discussion, motion to adopt Ordinance 11-008 on first reading was made by Alderman Benson, seconded by Alderman Davis, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Napier set a public hearing for Ordinance 11-008 to be held on September 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Item 3 – Planning Commission Appointment

Mayor Napier stated that he wished to appoint Willis Gilliam to be his designee to the Municipal Planning Commission and he would step down from his position as commissioner on the Planning Commission. Alderman Benson made a motion to appoint Mr. Gilliam to the Planning Commission, Alderman Barrett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Item 4 – Sewer Repair Discussion

Mr. Langeliers stated that the Town had received an estimate to remove the aerators in Cell 2 of the Regional Wastewater Plant and are obtaining cost estimates for testing of the cell floor, including core drilling of areas to determine clay density and permeability. Depending upon the test results, it might be possible to replace the cell liner without removal of the clay layer. A remaining item is the need to obtain drip-land to resolve the TDEC Notice of Violation. A resolution towards that end is to be proposed as a non-agenda item.

Resolution 11-004 Authorizing the Mayor to Negotiate and Enter into an Agreement with MBSC of TN Homebuilders LLC to Obtain an Easement for Wastewater Reclamation and Release the Suspended Plats in Tollgate Village

Mr. Langeliers explained that the Town would obtain a permanent easement on property in Tollgate Village to be used for drip or spray irrigation of treated effluent. At some future date, at the Town's discretion, the easement could be released back to the development if alternative property was found at some future date that served the Town in a more effective manner. The Town would then be able to release the suspended plats, since the developer had substantially completed the paving and repair work required by the Town.

After discussion, motion to adopt Resolution 11-004 was made by Alderman Cooper, seconded by Alderman Barrett, and the resolution was adopted unanimously.

Item 5 – Mars/Nutro Fees Discussion

Mr. Langeliers discussed a request by representatives of Mars/Nutro to have the Board reduce the site plan review fees for the first phase of their project. Although some mitigation of fees was discussed when the entire project was being contemplated, now that it is broken into phases over an uncertain time-frame, it did not seem to be in the Town's best interests to go down that path right now. Staff's recommendation is to require full fee and permit payments for Phase 1 of their project, with mitigation of fees for future phases, if completed within three years. The Board indicated concurrence with Staff's recommendation

Community Input and Concerns:

There were none at this time.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Corey Napier, Mayor

Attest: 

Douglas G. Goetsch, Town Recorder