

\*\*\*\*\*SEPTEMBER 10, 2001\*\*\*\*\*

The Town Council of the Town of Signal Mountain held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, September 10, 2001, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Those present were:

Mayor James H Althaus  
 Vice-Mayor Robert Steel  
 Councilmember Rachel Bryant  
 Councilmember Steve Ruffin

Also present:

Town Manager Hershel Dick  
 Town Recorder Diana Campbell  
 Town Attorney Joe Wagner  
 Advisory Attorney Phil Noblett  
 See list at bottom for additional people

The Mayor called the meeting to order and Vice-Mayor Steel offered the prayer. The Recorder called the roll.

Councilmember Ruffin made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2001, special called meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Steel and passed unanimously.

The first item before the Council was an ordinance titled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SIGNAL MOUNTAIN ORDINANCE 8-107, TO DELETE ANY PROHIBITION FOR ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TO RENUMBER THE CURRENT SECTION 8-108 AS SECTION 8-107, AND TO CREATE NEW SECTIONS 8-108 THROUGH 8-135, WHICH SHALL PROVIDE FOR BROWN BAGGING PERMITS FOR ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WITHIN THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN; AND TO INSERT A NEW SECTION 8-209, ET. SEQ. REGARDING ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION OF BEER WITHIN THE TOWN, AND TO DELETE SECTION 8-203 WHICH PROHIBITS THE SALE OF BEER FOR ON PREMISE CONSUMPTION IN THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN. Attorney Phil Noblett explained that he had prepared the ordinance and made wording changes at the Council's request. He explained some of the provisions and points of the ordinance. A discussion of the ordinance followed. Councilmember Bryant requested that the Section 8-214-B, which deals with loitering about the place of business after the hours of operation, be amended to delete "under the age of twenty-one (21) years." Councilmember Bryant also requested that Section 8-255 permitting and regulating outdoor advertising be removed. The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the ordinance with the changes to Section 8-214-B and Section 8-255. Vice-Mayor Steel made a motion to approve the ordinance with the changes and Councilmember Ruffin seconded the motion. The Council voted 3 to 1 to approve the ordinance with Councilmember Bryant opposing.

The next item before the Council was the "RESOLUTION SETTING WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE SIGNAL MOUNTAIN GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB." Hershel Dick explained that the golf course had been receiving a reduced rate and the resolution increased their rate to be the same as all other customers. Vice Mayor Steel made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilmember Ruffin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Council then considered the next resolution, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN TO PAY A PROPORTIONATE AMOUNT OF THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AT RED BANK HIGH SCHOOL." The Mayor briefly explained the situation with the resource officer. Councilmember Ruffin made a motion to approve the resolution. Mayor Althaus seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

During the citizen's opportunity to address the Council, Glenn Baird informed the Council of a letter his family had received advising of a natural gas pipeline extension requested by East Tennessee Natural Gas (ETNG), a division of Duke Power, through the

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Town of Signal Mountain. He explained ETNG proposed to purchase 36 acres of his family's property and construct an eight-acre compressor station. He requested help from the Town to try to prevent this from being built in the middle of a residential area in close proximity to the new elementary school. A discussion followed. The Mayor made a motion to give Phil Noblett the authority to file a Motion to Intervene. Steve Ruffin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Joe Wagner asked the Council to authorize him and Attorney Phil Noblett to mediate the case of Tabbs, LLC, versus the Town of Signal Mountain that is presently in Chancery Court. He explained that Chancellor Brown had suggested the Town go to mediation. Vice-Mayor Steel made a motion to give the authority to the attorneys. Mayor Althaus seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned



James H. Althaus, Mayor



Recorder

List of additional people in attendance:

Bill Lusk  
John Houstrup  
Jean Dolan  
Luke Lea  
Pris and Mark Shartle  
Nikki Wiram  
Cheree and Joe Dumas  
Bill Woodcock  
Bob Anderson  
Irby Park  
Phil Noblett  
Greg Goodgame  
Tom Cook  
Glenn Baird

Resolution No. R-2001-9**RESOLUTION SETTING WATER AND SEWER RATES  
FOR THE SIGNAL MOUNTAIN GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB**

Whereas, It is necessary from time to time to adjust water and sewer rates to reflect operating costs and bond interest and redemption costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Council does set the following rates for use of the Town's water and sewer services to the Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club said rates to be effective September 1, 2001.

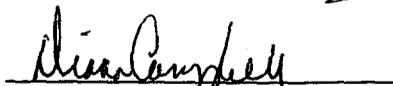
**Town of Signal Mountain Water Rates**

Golf Course-Clubhouse      \$174.00 0 – 50,000 gal. \$3.98 per 1,000 each addl. gal.  
and Greens monthly

**Town of Signal Mountain Sewer Rates**

Golf Course-Clubhouse      \$261.00 0 – 50,000 gal. \$5.97 per 1,000 each addl. gal.  
monthly

ADOPTED this 10th day of September, 2001.

  
Mayor  
Recorder

Resolution No. R-2001-10

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER OF THE TOWN OF  
SIGNAL MOUNTAIN TO PAY A PROPORTIONATE AMOUNT OF THE  
SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AT RED BANK HIGH SCHOOL**

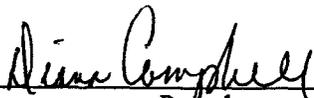
Whereas, The Sheriff of Hamilton County has requested that the municipalities with students in Red Bank High School contribute an amount toward nine months salary and benefits for the school resource officer at Red Bank High School with the cost for the nine months being \$35,169.

Whereas, The Town has received a list from Red Bank High School listing student addresses and the Town has determined that 162 students of the total enrollment of 1,280 on August 17, 2001, were residing in the Town of Signal Mountain making the Town's proportionate share 12.66% as of August 17, 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF  
SIGNAL MOUNTAIN THAT:

The Town Manager is authorized to pay to the Hamilton County Executive an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for the Town's proportionate share of the salary and benefits for nine months of the Red Bank High School Resource Officer.

ADOPTED this 10th day of September, 2001.

  
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Recorder

  
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Mayor