

*****April 28, 2008*****

The Town Council of the Town of Signal Mountain held a special agenda meeting on Monday, April 28, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. in the Town Hall. Those present were:

Mayor Paul Hendricks
Vice-Mayor Hershel Dick
Councilmember Annette Allen
Councilmember Bill Lusk
Councilmember Susan Robertson

Also present were: Town Manager Honna Rogers
Town Recorder Mark Johnson
Attorney Phil Noblett

Mayor Hendricks called the meeting to order.

In reference to the agenda for the May regular meeting, the potential leader of the invocation, the discussion of the Library "birthday" celebration, and approval of the minutes were discussed.

Mayor Hendricks asked if there were any potential resolutions. Councilmember Lusk suggested one authorizing raising flags at half-mast for soldiers in Iraq.

Councilmember Robertson reviewed language changes to the memorial policy. Issues related to the memorial policy, such as timing of the "needs list" approval, direct involvement of the Council, and review of the Design Review Committee (DRC) were discussed. Mr. Noblett agreed to draft a new ordinance related to the policy that would also include other functions and involvement of the DRC.

The public meeting with the Waste Water Treatment Authority (WWTA) was discussed. Mayor Hendricks noted it would be held on May 13th.

The public meeting regarding the Signal Mountain Middle School (SMMS) property was set for April 29th. This meeting was specifically for the neighbors of the property but Councilmember Robertson reiterated it had been posted as a public meeting. She and Mayor Hendricks also noted we would want comments from the public on what should be done with the property.

The possibility of placing a referendum relating to liquor stores on the ballot for the next election was discussed. The Council decided to hold a general discussion at the May regular meeting.

Councilmember Allen reviewed a Chattanooga "Green" meeting that she and Councilmember Robertson attended, noting various ecologically friendly public works

innovations. Mayor Hendricks suggested a report by Councilmember Robertson be given to Loretta Hopper and Chuck Gearhiser for their review of these possibilities.

It was decided that the portion of the May regular meeting dedicated to Citizens' comments be moved closer to the beginning of the meeting.

Councilmember Robertson opened a discussion of zoning. Issues discussed were questions individuals had about the need for an overlay zone in light of conservation development and current and prospective zoning for the SMMS property.

A second reading was made of the following: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 17, CHAPTER 1, OF THE SIGNAL MOUNTAIN TOWN CODE REGARDING REFUSE AND TRASH DISPOSAL, TO INCLUDE A NEW SECTION 17-111, TO PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL PICKUP SERVICES WITHIN EXISTING RESIDENCES ADJOINING PRIVATE STREETS WITHIN STONEWOOD AND JAMESTOWN CONDOMINIUM DEVELOPMENTS AS OF MAY 1, 2008." Councilmember Robertson moved, and Councilmember Lusk seconded, that the ordinance be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Rogers reviewed the plan for the recycle center. The proposed setup would be operation of the center by Orange Grove, with the sale of material to RockTenn Company, who would also haul said material away. Issues discussed included insurance issues under this plan, the plan for compactors currently in use, the types of contracts with RockTenn and Orange Grove, and current recycle center staff. Councilmember Lusk asked if he should abstain from the vote on the Orange Grove contract, as he is an Orange Grove Board member, to which Mr. Noblett replied he should.

Ms. Rogers then opened a discussion of recent correspondence/questions from the Regional Planning Agency (RPA) concerning public input for reuse of the SMMS property. Gary Waters of the Hamilton County Education Department would be informed about the Open House regarding the property. Also discussed were issues related to the method by which the property could be rezoned.

Officials of the MACC had invited Ms. Rogers to be an ex-officio member. Mr. Noblett advised that she should not be an official member but encouraged her to attend the meetings and participate. The Council was also invited to a presentation at the MACC to be tentatively held in the summer. The presentation will focus on typical MACC activities.

The list of action steps of the Council was reviewed. Ms. Rogers suggested she e-mail current action steps to Council members after meetings.

The updated property map was presented.

Councilmember Robertson opened a discussion of a possible septic tank ordinance that had been addressed in the past; one that would require proof by a property owner that,

upon selling property with a septic tank, the tank had been cleaned. Former Interim Town Manager Lynn Wampler had contacted personnel at MTAS, who could not locate a similar ordinance for other municipalities. Mr. Noblett said more research would have to be done.

Ms. Rogers reminded the Council their staff evaluation of her was due by the next agenda meeting.

The status of setting up truck restriction signs between Walden and Signal Mountain was discussed. Ordinances by both towns had been passed; but Town staff would contact Walden personnel to discuss the project.

Mayor Hendricks and Ms. Rogers noted non-resident fees had been discussed with officials of Walden.

Ms. Rogers mentioned other items such as the retail team meeting date, an upcoming TML conference, the status of the Quonset hut repairs, the recent TCMA conference she attended, and the upcoming first budget reading.

Councilmember Allen inquired if a formal request could be made that the DRC meet with representatives of the RPA regarding design regulations enforcement. Mayor Hendricks indicated it could since DRC regulations were in the process of being passed by ordinance.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Recorder



Dr. Paul Hendricks, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-4

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE, THAT

SECTION 1. Title 17, Chapter 1 of the Signal Mountain Town Code is amended to add a new Section 17-111 which will include the following language:

17-111. **Residential Garbage Pickup Services Within Existing Residences Adjoining Private Streets within Stonewood and Jamestown Condominium Developments.**

The Town Manager may collect monthly service fees of \$9.00 per resident per month, excluding 70 years and older or disabled without assistance in residence, for special garbage pickups within existing residences adjoining private streets within Stonewood and Jamestown Condominium Developments. This provision shall provide services in the discretion of the Town Manager and shall only apply to those residences existing in Stonewood and Jamestown Condominium Developments as of May 1, 2008. The Town Manager is authorized to send billing for these special garbage pickup services to the residents receiving services or in the alternative, to the resident association for the condominium development. The Town Manager is authorized to review the costs

of special garbage pickup services in future years and to request increases to the monthly service fee based upon the Town's expenses in providing this service to its residents.

SECTION 2. Date of Effect. This amendment shall be operative from and after final passage, the public welfare requiring it, and shall be effective as of May 1, 2008.

Passed 1st reading 4/14, 2008.

Passed 2nd reading 4/28, 2008.



MAYOR



RECORDER