

*****May 9, 2016*****

The Signal Mountain Town Council held its regular meeting on Monday, May 9, 2016, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. Those present were:

Those present were: Mayor Dick Gee
Vice Mayor Bill Wallace
Councilmember Chris Howley
Councilmember Bill Lusk
Councilmember Robert Spalding

Also present were: Town Manager Boyd Veal
Town Attorney Phillip Noblett
Finance Director/Town Recorder Carol White
See attached list for others present

Mayor for a Minute Gavin Swafford led the pledge of allegiance. Town Attorney, Phillip Noblett gave the invocation.

Mayor Gee read a proclamation naming Gavin Swafford as Mayor for a Minute (proclamation attached).

Minutes

The minutes for the April 1st worksession meeting were presented. There being no changes, the minutes were approved.

The minutes for the April 11th regular meeting were presented. There being no changes, the minutes were approved.

Citizen Comments

Mayor Gee invited comments from the audience.

Dunn Monroe, Cherokee Lane, said he opposed any sale of the Town's water utility.

There being no further comments, the meeting resumed.

Resolutions

1. "A RESOLUTION HONORING MARY HARRIS IN RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION OF HER 105TH BIRTHDAY ON MAY 13, 2016."

Mayor Gee read the resolution. Councilmember Howley motioned to approve the resolution. Councilmember Lusk seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion was approved.

2. "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH WALDEN'S RIDGE UTILITY DISTRICT AUTHORIZING WALDEN'S RIDGE UTILITY DISTRICT TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICE TO TWO PARCELS WITHIN THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN."

Mayor Gee motioned to approve the resolution. Councilmember Spalding seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion was approved.

3. "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO CENTURY FIRE PROTECTION, LLC, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (25,000.00), AS THE LOWEST AND BEST BID FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM IN THE SWIMMING POOL FACILITY BUILDINGS OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN."

Mayor Gee motioned to approve the resolution. Councilmember Lusk seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion was approved.

Ordinances

1. "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBERS 2015-03, 2015-12 AND 2016-03, ENTITLED THE "FY 2015-2016 BUDGET ORDINANCE," SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN ADDITIONAL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THIS BUDGET YEAR."

Mayor Gee motioned to approve the first reading of the ordinance with a correction in Section 2, fourth line, so that the correction reads "Parks & Recreation – Pool" instead of "Facilities Maintenance". Councilmember Spalding seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion to approve the first reading was approved.

2. "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2016 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2017 HEREINAFTER KNOWN AS THE "FY 2016-2017 BUDGET ORDINANCE."

Councilmember Howley motioned to approve the first reading of the ordinance. Vice Mayor Wallace seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion to approve the first reading was approved.

Discussion

The Council discussed the next worksession meeting currently scheduled for May 27th. Councilmember Lusk indicated that would not be able to attend that meeting since it is the Friday

before the Memorial Day holiday. Council decided to keep the meeting on that date as other members could not be available for alternative meeting dates.

The Council agreed to hold a special meeting on Monday, May 16th at 12:00 p.m. at the MACC to discuss that facility.

Mayor Gee congratulated Councilmember Spalding for the success of the Sparkle Day clean up.

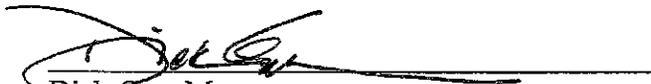
When asked by Councilmember Spalding, Town Manager Boyd Veal gave an overview of how animal control is handled by the Town.

When asked by Councilmember Spalding, staff stated there has been no further progress in setting up a camera/video system in the council room.

Councilmember Howley informed the Council that he and Mr. Veal had met with the Parks Board. Councilmember Howley said the Parks Board was asked to provide input on several issues including climbing regulations on Town property.

Mayor Gee asked Police Chief, Mike Williams to apprise the Council on a recent arrest. Chief Williams explained that Officer Brandon Knowles had made a traffic stop and in the course of his investigations determined the driver had 12 warrants from Hamilton County, one of which was for burglary. Chief Williams stated this is an example of all of the officers' diligence.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Dick Gee, Mayor


Recorder