

## **Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting March 11, 2008**

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session. Those present were Mayor Webb, Aldermen Anderson, Hunt and Felices. Alderman Reagor was absent.

### **Reports:**

Minutes-February 12 & 29, 2008 Meetings: Alderman Felices, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes from February 12 & 29. All Aye. Alderman Hunt, seconded by Alderman Anderson, made a motion to approve. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Felices, made a motion to approve. All Aye.

Water/Sewer Report: given by Supervisor Ronnie Lokey. One tap installed on Happy Valley Road-Billy Belew. One service line leak repaired-Joe Delk-Cemetery Road. EQ Basin is still full. New Pump in lift station is out for repair. Control wire cut by impeller; new grinder is not working. W & O Construction working to get everything fixed and finished up. The wet well of existing pump station was cleaned of debris, grease, etc and existing pump station is pumping better now.

Mayor Webb reported that he has asked Supervisor Lokey and Engineer Patterson to look at the stress on our system around the Webb basin. He stressed the need for identifying options and working on a Phase Plan for the future.

Alderman Hunt reported that the CDBG grant has been submitted.

Frank Reagor sewer tap 104 Hinkle Hill: Alderman Hunt made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Felices. There was concern that we had not received the lift of the moratorium from the State. Alderman Anderson abstained from voting; all others nay. Motion dies.

Fire Department Report given by Chief Lokey. They had responded to 9 calls; 8 medical and 1 fire. Two fire training sessions were given. The auxiliary meeting will be on Monday, April 7 at 6:30 PM. All are invited to attend. The new ladder truck will be at the fire hall at the meeting on Thursday, Mar 13 at 7 PM. The Red Cross will be there at 6:45 this Thursday as well.

Planning Commission Report given by Mayor Webb. Joe Madeo has requested the town to take over billing 2 of the 3 water meters on the private water line he owns. We have an opinion from MTAS stating that we should not change the current arrangement unless we agree to take over the line. The Mayor requested Mr. Lokey & Mr. Patterson to also confer on this situation.

Sidewalks Committee Report given by Alderman Hunt. The Procurement ad was placed in the Tennessean Newspaper and the T-G and will be over Tuesday, March 18. The master plan was deferred until next month.

Chamber of Commerce Report given by Alderman Hunt. Daffodil Day is this Saturday. Arbor Day ceremony is at 11 am on the quilt square. The First Lady will be directing a performance for the production during this time. In addition, Forester Tom Hall will be on hand to declare Bell Buckle a Tree City USA for the 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Duck River will also be celebrating their 4<sup>th</sup> year as a Tree Line USA.

The quilt square needs painting. **The Chamber requests permission to rope this area off some time before the end of March weather permitting to repaint.** Alderman Felices, seconded by Alderman Anderson, made a motion to approve. All Aye. A non-slide coating will be put over the finished product to help with slick spots when raining.

Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup> has been designated " BELL BUCKLE DAY" for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Tennessee Shakespeare Festival. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the gate with children under 12 free. The gate opens at 6pm with the Bell Buckle Café providing dinner plates and/or picnic areas open to those bringing their own. The production of "A Midsummer's Night Dream" begins at 8pm. Please make plans to attend.

Avian Flu Preparedness Committee-no report

Parks and Recreation Committee Report given by Alderman Hunt. The grass cutting bid went to Hector Pena for \$250 per cutting which is a \$30 per cut increase from last year.

Many thanks to Larry Lowman for all his work on the amphitheater. He has worked this project from its infancy, and it is really coming together. Block was delivered yesterday and work began today. The slab should be poured before the end of the month with the rest of the block being laid after that. We are hoping for a June completion but stay tuned.

Next week's park meeting has been changed from Tuesday to Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 at Town hall.

Summer park activities are being scheduled. A tentative schedule is as follows and will be firmed up more in the coming months:

1. **Easter- Sunday/March 23rd** - Bell Buckle Volunteer Fire Department to host
2. **July 4/Friday** - Events TBD will include cookout & Car Rally - Entire Park board to assist
3. **Inaugural Amphitheater night - Saturday, July 19 or 26** -- possible Gospel Sing - Julie & Jenny
4. **Play Day with Carla** - 2 dates TBD- Carla and James
5. **Movie Night - Saturday, August 2**, -- James to check on logistics & Ray will assist if held
6. **Hawaiian theme night including Bingo!- Saturday, August 16** -- Carla, James, Ray, & Jenny
7. **Pet Show** - TBD - Ray
8. **BBQ Cook Off -Monday, September 1** - To be held at Catering Hall - Carla, James, Jenny and Ray
9. **Arts & Craft Class** - TBD - Jenny to check with Sherri Warner Hunter
10. **Ward's Birthday -Tuesday, October 28** -- possible sculpture unveiling/ Halloween type festival

Mayoral Updates: We have written Roger Ritch from American Value Homes 2 certified letters; the Mayor spoke with him and was referred to his attorney, John T. Bobo. The Mayor filed suit for the Town for \$14,000. The general sessions court date is April 8 at 10 AM.

#### **Old Business:**

Collection Charge Ordinance: Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Felices, made motion to approve on first reading. All Aye. A resolution will be presented at the special called meeting regarding new cut off dates.

Rules of the Road Ordinance: Mayor Webb is checking with MTAS to see if this could replace chapter nine in our code book. Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to approve on first reading. Motion carried.

Ordinance Establishing Court Costs: Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Felices, made a motion to approve on first reading. All Aye.

Litigation Tax Ordinance: Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Felices, made a motion to approve on first reading. Motion carried.

Hiring Part Time Police Officer: Alderman Hunt, seconded by Alderman Felices, made a motion to hire Chris Spradling as a part time police officer to be used in conjunction with the Bedford County Sheriff's department. All Aye.

Property Ordinances: to be discussed at a special called meeting which is to be announced soon.

Selection of Municipal Judge: to be discussed at a special called meeting which is to be announced soon.

**New Business:** none

There being no further business, Alderman Felices made a motion to adjourn.

Dennis H. Webb, Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

Janet Robinson, Town Recorder \_\_\_\_\_