

May 8, 2007

Bell Buckle Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session. Those present were Mayor Webb, Aldermen Hunt, Reagor, Anderson, and Felices. Alderman Felices, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from April 10, 2007. All Aye. Alderman Felices, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous month.

Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to approve the financial reports. Motion Carried.

Supervisor Ronnie Lokey gave the Water/Sewer Report. They had repaired 2 leaks and had a 34% water loss which they are still trying to locate. He reported that Randy Johnson had taken the test for Waste Water Operator III and was waiting on the results. Engineer Patterson stated that the design on the Equalization Basin is complete and we hope to have it up and running by the end of the year. Mr. Lokey also reported that Webb School has begun working on their sewer lines which should help the I & I a lot.

Larry Little from Happy Valley Road was present to request a water tap on his property. This met all requirements. Alderman Felices, seconded by Alderman Reagor, made a motion to approve. All Aye.

Billy Dean was present to request a water tap on his property on Hwy 82. This met all requirements. Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Felices, made a motion to approve. Motion Carried.

Chief Ronnie Lokey gave the Fire Department Report. They had answered 13 calls-2 fire and 11 medical. The photo fund raising campaign is almost complete.

Chairman Rodney Simmons gave the Planning Commission Report. They had approved 3 Site Plans-2 for Webb School and 1 for David Robinson. The committee also presented zoning ordinances for the Board to approve.

There was no Sidewalk Committee Report.

Chairman Rodney Simmons gave the Chamber of Commerce Report. May 19-20 is Bell Buckle Motorcycle Days. The new defibrillator is in and approximately 30 people have been certified for its use.

There was no report from the Avian Flu Preparedness Committee.

Chairman Jenny Hunt gave the Parks and Recreation Report:

1. We received two bids for Kiosks. Bid openings were April 23, 2007. One bid was from Larry Mann for \$4,500.00 for kiosk construction. The other bid was from Aaron Wolfe for \$7,178. Larry's is a 2 sided kiosk; Aaron's is a 3 sided. **The Park Board respectfully requests that the Board of Mayor and Alderman**

approve the bid from Larry Mann of \$4,500.00 to construct a kiosk for the Park. Funds will come from the RTP grant. Alderman Hunt, seconded by Alderman Felices, made a motion to approve the bid from Larry Mann. All Aye.

2. The “What Happens in Bell Buckle Stays in Bell Buckle” T-Shirts are in. They are \$10 each. You can purchase them from Town Hall, the Bell Buckle Café, and several other stores around town. We will not re-order till 2008 so get one now if you want one.
3. Mother’s Day is coming up so if you would like to give Mom or Grandmom a cookbook, consider giving her 2. If you buy one of each of the 2 park cookbooks, the price is \$18.00 rather than the regular \$10 per cookbook.
4. Also, with Mother’s Day in mind, there will be a Mother’s Day Gift Making Project at the Park this Saturday, May 12th at 10:00 hosted by Girl Scout Troop 1814. Materials and instructions will be provided at not charge. The gift being made is not being announced so as to keep the gift a surprise for Mom! If you aren’t a mom, then you can contact me and I will spill the beans so you can make your plans. Anyone wanting to participate should call Bell Buckle Town Hall at 389-9513 to sign up so we will know how much will be needed to be purchased. All ages are welcome and the event is free to the public.
5. On May 26th, there will be “Storytime with Maggi” at 10am at the Picnic Pavilion.
6. The Leadership Bedford Beginnings class planted a “Poet’s Garden” in honor of Tennessee’s Poet Laureate Margaret Britton Vaughn. The garden has over 70 perennials and shrubs. Plans are to erect a sign commemorating the garden and Maggi and also for edging and stepping stones. Many thanks to these kids for their dedication to the project and hard work.
7. Frank has arranged for volunteers from Deloitte Touche to work at the Park and downtown on Friday, June 8th. They have been doing this community service for several years now, and the Park Board is in awe of what they accomplish each time they are here.
8. The back end of the walking trail will be removed and replaced this summer. Hawkins Asphalt has worked with us to reconcile the problems in this area and have been more than accommodating in helping us get this resolved so that the trail is level and safe. The Park Board appreciates all the help and dedication that Hawkins has given this issue. When work begins, the trail will be off limits until completion. Please use care when walking in that area now as there are sections removed and divots.
9. Unfortunately, there has been some vandalism at the park. A pellet gun has been shot through the roof of the pavilion. If the person or persons responsible for any

vandalism is caught, I would like permission from the Board to be able to address the situation as needed in conjunction with the Mayor. In some instances we may require a full day of community service. If the same person is caught in another act of vandalism, then the Sheriff would be called. However, each situation would be considered individually as some are considered mischievous and other acts could be considered dangerous. Mayor Webb stated that he would work with Chairman Hunt regarding this.

10. Judd Sulcer will no longer be serving on the park board. A replacement for Judd will be discussed with the park board before any recommendations are made to the Mayor.

11. As a reminder, Bell Buckle Park hours are sun up to sun down.

Alderman Hunt gave the Bi Centennial Report. They had the Fair on the Square last Saturday. T Shirts are available at the Café. Medallions, coins and keys are available. Alderman Hunt, seconded by Alderman Anderson, made a motion to approve purchasing 2 of each of the above for a cost of \$100. All Aye.

Mayoral Update: Mayor Webb thanked Joe Hunt for his donation of a lateral filing cabinet for the Town Hall.

Old Business: Mrs. Strobel presented an update on truck traffic. She stated that the problems have increased and it has really become a safety issue. After much discussion, it was decided that Mayor Webb would talk to Darryl Phillips at Wal Mart Distribution, Senator Tracy and TDOT regarding this.

New Business: Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Anderson, made a motion to approve on first reading, the Amended Budget for 2006-2007. All Aye.

Alderman Felices, seconded by Alderman Reagor, made a motion to approve on first reading, the Anticipated Budget for 2007-2008. Motion carried.

Alderman Reagor presented a Fee Schedule that includes all the fees charged by the Town of Bell Buckle in one document. Two changes were made. One was on the Final Plat Review Fee. This was changed to \$100 plus \$5 per lot and any additional incurred for engineering fees. A note was added at the bottom of the schedule to read *Does not include any other required fees that may become applicable. Alderman Reagor made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hunt, to approve the schedule with changes. All Aye.

Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Reagor, made a motion to approve the change on the Major Thoroughfare Map making Peacock Street and Maple Street a minor street instead of a collector. All Aye.

Alderman Hunt reported that since our Public Restrooms are not ADA compliant, she had requested the contractor that had done the park restrooms to give an estimate to renovate.

This was in two parts. The cost of only the inside of the restrooms was approximately \$13,000 and would come out of General Fund capital outlay. The outside estimate which included a ramp and sidewalk and which would come out of the One Cent Gas Fund was for approximately \$1800. There was discussion about the Chamber of Commerce possibly agreeing to take care of the cleaning. Alderman Hunt, seconded by Alderman Felices, made a motion to put this out for bids. Motion Carried.

Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Hunt, made a motion to approve the Zoning Ordinances on 1st Reading. There will be a public hearing prior to the meeting next month to discuss these ordinances. All Aye.

Alderman Reagor, seconded by Alderman Felices, made a motion on 1st Reading for setting the tax rate to remain the same of 15 cents. All Aye.

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

Dennis H. Webb, Mayor _____

Janet Robinson, Town Recorder _____