# <u>Minutes of the Meeting</u> <u>Of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen</u> <u>Of the Town of Thompson's Station, Tennessee</u> <u>February 11, 2014</u>

### Call to Order:

The meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Thompson's Station was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on the 11<sup>h</sup> of February 2014, at the Thompson's Station Community Center with the required quorum. Members and staff in attendance were: Corey Napier, Mayor; Ron Barrett, Alderman; Sarah Benson, Alderman; Brinton Davis, Alderman; Nina Cooper, Alderman; Greg Langeliers, Town Administrator; Richard King, Town Building Official; Todd Moore, Town Attorney; Wendy Deats, Town Planner; Leah Rainey, Town Recorder. Finance Director Doug Goetsch was unable to attend.

### Pledge of Allegiance.

## Minutes:

The minutes of the January 14th, 2014 Regular Meeting, the January 23, 2014 Special Called Meeting and the January 29, 2014 Special Called meeting were previously submitted.

Alderman Cooper moved for approval. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

### Announcements:

Mayor Napier said he had spoken with the Town Administrator Joe Cosentini, who would likely be beginning his post sometime in mid-March.

### **Old Business:**

State Industrial Access Update: Mr. Langeliers said staff was working on getting the most recent version of the agreement and would bring it before the Board next month.

Sheriff's Department Discussion: Mr. Langeliers reviewed options for the town contributing financially to the Sheriff's department, including funding coverage hours, part of a deputy salary or a vehicle.

Town Administrator's Report: Mr. Langeliers reviewed his written report and said he was available for questions.

Monthly Budget Report: The monthly budget report was previously submitted.

## Second Reading of Ordinance 14-001-modifying the effluent disposal fee in the Town's Fee Schedule.

**Public Hearing:** Leipers Fork resident Preston Ingram discussed concerns about sewer taps he had purchased for Canterbury, saying he felt he had been mislead by town staff as to whether he'd be able to use them for other projects. He said he did not feel that the Board should be granting additional sewer allocations to new developments before existing projects were built out.

Mr. Langeliers noted that as Town Administrator, he didn't have a vote on the matter of whether and how Mr. Ingram could use his taps outside Canterbury. That decision was up to the Board, not him or his successor as Town Administrator.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Napier closed the public hearing.

# Alderman Cooper moved for approval of Ordinance 14-001. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

### First Reading of Ordinance 14-002-amending the budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014

# After discussion, Alderman Barrett moved for approval on first reading and set a Public Hearing for March 11, 2014. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**<u>Resolution 14-003</u>**—to approve an agreement with Contracting Services, Inc for the construction of the West Harpeth River utility crossing and to authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement.

#### Alderman Cooper moved for approval. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**<u>Resolution 14-004</u>**—to approve an agreement with Richland, LLC for the construction of a flush/lift station and to authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement.

#### Alderman Benson moved for approval. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

<u>**Resolution 14-005**</u>—to approve an agreement with Ecostruct Group, LLC for the subsurface drip irrigation project and to authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement.

#### Alderman Davis moved for approval. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**<u>Resolution 14-006</u>**—a resolution regarding joint cooperation with Spring Hill and other entities on transportation. Mrs. Deats reviewed the resolution which expressed Alderman Cooper's comments and the other board members' comments from the last meeting.

# After discussion, Alderman Benson moved for approval. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**<u>Resolution 14-007</u>**—to approve a Separation Agreement with Greg Langeliers and to authorize the Mayor to execute said agreement.

After discussion, Alderman Cooper moved to authorize the Mayor to execute a Separation Agreement with Greg Langeliers in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

#### Sewer Requests for Allenwood, Pleasant Creek and Village Green subdivisions:

Mr. Langeliers gave a general overview of the sewer requests, saying that staff's preliminary evaluation was that Pleasant Creek was likely to be required to construct an on-site system, based on the number of units proposed and the fact that the location was in a different watershed. More information would be needed to determine what type of system might work best. The other two subdivisions were smaller in comparison, and therefore it was less clear to staff whether the town's sewer was currently in a position to accommodate them. He said staff could make a recommendation either way and would continue to research the issue, but the authority lay with the Board to grant capacity and permission to connect to town sewer.

The Board discussed a deferral on the sewer requests.

Mayor Napier said he would support a deferral for several months until more information was known about the status of cell 1 and progress made on the sewer infrastructure projects.

Alderman Benson discussed with applicant Daniel Woods how a deferral might affect the timeline for his Allenwood project.

Alderman Cooper expressed concern that a deferral could halt growth for months or years and said she would support granting sewer allocations to the two smaller subdivisions and working with Pleasant Creek to explore options for a separate system.

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Alderman Barrett said he was uncomfortable making a decision regarding allocations because there was not a clear answer as to whether capacity was available.

Alderman Davis said he would prefer to hold off granting new allocations until the infrastructure was in place for the town to put water down.

Mr. Moore noted that since this matter was not on the agenda as moratorium, a timeline would need to be specified for a motion to defer. He suggested the Board defer the requests until the next Board meeting.

Alderman Benson moved to defer sewer allocation requests for Allenwood, Pleasant Creek and Village Green until the next Board meeting on March 11, 2014. The motion was seconded and carried 4-1, with Alderman Cooper voting against the deferral.

### New Business.

**Rescue Squad allocation of Town Funds:** Mr. Langeliers discussed the town's annual financial contribution to the rescue squad and noted that their board had voted to use some of this year's funds to purchase equipment that would serve multiple jurisdictions. He said the town had never provided any official direction as to how the funds were to be used, but had informally requested that the Rescue Squad do their best to use those funds for the Thompson's Station branch, which they generally did. He said he didn't see any problem with the purchase they were proposing.

Steve Homrich approached the Board and said that as a local rescue squad member and a Thompson's Station taxpayer, he would like to see the town's contribution be spent to subsidize the local branch only.

Mr. Langeliers suggested the Board bring back this issue for further discussion and possibly a vote at the next month's meeting. He asked Mr. Homrich to email him a recommendation if he would like.

Codes Compliance: Mrs. Deats suggested returning to this discussion next month.

**Community Garden:** Mr. Langeliers said some volunteers had come forward to head up the community garden project for 2014 and staff was working with counsel to determine how a management agreement might be structured if the Board was comfortable with that direction. He noted that with his impending retirement and Mr. King's expanded work load, it was probably not feasible for the town to manage the garden this year.

**Community Input and Concerns:** Mr. Kevin Muse approached the Board and requested an official retraction letter regarding the town's request for funds to repair a guardrail, which had been damaged by a car accident that did not involve him.

Mr. Moore said he would address it and that no Board action was required. He said the town had received the wrong accident report by mistake and, upon realizing the error, had not pursued the matter further. However, he said he would be glad to craft a letter and provide it to Mr. Muse for his records.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Attest:

Corey Napier, Mayor

Leah Rainey, Town Recorder