

MAY 13, 2019
BELLS BOARD MEETING

Aldermen present: Bob Pigue, Scotty Runions, Lee Overton, Dabney Long and Eric Jordan. Mayor Joe M. Williams, presided. Alicia Pigue, Recorder.

Others present: Chief Jenkins, Chief Jernigan, Kathy Smith, Christine Wheeler, Elashia Ramsey, Ron Ford, Vanessa Guerrero, Katie Taylor, Junior Jordan, Martha Edmonds and Bridget King.

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order and gave invocation.

Mayor Williams presented the minutes of April 11 postponed board meeting and the closed session meeting. Alderman Scotty Runions moved to accept the minutes as written. Alderman Eric Jordan seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented the Lagoon Flow Chart for the Pictsweet Meter and the City of Bells Meter.

Mayor Williams presented the April financials and the Year to Date financials along with the bank balances.

Mayor Williams presented Ordinance no 04112019 **“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLS PROVIDING THAT THE MUNICIPAL CODE BE AMENDED BY DELETING SECTION 8-205 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBSTITUTING INSTEAD A NEW SECTION 8-205; RELATING TO THE ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION OF BEER”**. Alderman Scotty Runions moved to adopt the Ordinance on its second and final reading. Alderman Lee Overton seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with the following results: Alderman Eric Jordan, “Aye”; Alderman Dabney Long, “Aye”; Alderman Lee Overton, “Aye”; Alderman Scotty Runions, “Aye”; Alderman Bob Pigue, “Nay”. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented the Board with a Beer Permit Application from El Molcajete. Alderman Lee Overton moved to approve the permit as presented. Alderman Scotty Runions seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with the following results: Alderman Eric Jordan, “Aye”; Alderman Dabney Long, “Aye”; Alderman Lee Overton, “Aye”; Alderman Scotty Runions, “Aye”; Alderman Bob Pigue, “Nay”. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented the Board members with information from the Next Step Foundation. Subject is tabled until the owner of the Foundation can come to the Board meeting.

Mayor Williams presented the Board with prices for LED flashing stop signs. Alderman Bob Pigue moved to request TDOT to furnish the City of Bells with four of the stop signs for the intersection of Main Street and Highway 79. Alderman Scotty Runions seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented the Board with the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year End Budget and Ordinance No 05132019 **“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLS, TENNESSEE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2020”** Alderman Bob Pigue moved to approve the Ordinance on its second reading and same be made a part of the minutes of this meeting in its entirety. Alderman Eric Jordan seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with all Aldermen present and All Aldermen voting, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented **ORDINANCE NO. 06102019** **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 06112018 OF THE CITY OF BELLS, TENNESSEE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND ESTABLISHING A PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018 THRU JUNE 30, 2019.”** Alderman Eric Jordan moved to adopt the Ordinance on its first reading and same be made apart of the minutes of this meeting in its entirety. Alderman Scotty Runions seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with the following results: Alderman Eric Jordan, “Aye”; Alderman Dabney Long, “Aye”; Alderman Lee Overton, “Aye”; Alderman Scotty Runions, “Aye”; Alderman Bob Pigue, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented a list of items to auction as it is surplus property. Alderman Scotty Runions move to authorize Mayor Williams to hold an auction and to sell the mentioned property. Alderman Lee Overton seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with the following results: Alderman Eric Jordan, “Aye”; Alderman Dabney Long, “Aye”; Alderman Lee Overton, “Aye”; Alderman Scotty Runions, “Aye”; Alderman Bob Pigue, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented the Board with his recommendation of a rate of 2.95% to put into the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System for the fiscal year 2019-2020 based on an actuarial given by the State. Alderman Eric Jordan moved to accept the rate as recommended. Alderman Dabney Long seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented an application for Cody Manning as a candidate for employment with the Gas and Water Utility system starting at \$10.50 per hour for the first six months then a .50 cent per hour raise with a 90 day probationary period. Alderman Eric Jordan moved to hire Mr. Manning as presented by Mayor Williams. Alderman Scotty Runions seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. Motion carried.

City Superintendent Junior Jordan requested part-time summer help with a candidate already in mind. Alderman Bob Pigue moved to hire the candidate part-time upon the Mayor’s approval.

Alderman Lee Overton seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with the following results: Alderman Eric Jordan, "Nay"; Alderman Dabney Long, "Aye"; Alderman Lee Overton, "Aye"; Alderman Scotty Runions, "Aye"; Alderman Bob Pigue, "Aye". Motion carried.

Mayor Williams discussed estimates for paving of Christian Avenue, Crider Drive and Oakmont Cove. Alderman Scotty Runions moved for the Mayor to move forward with the bid process of Christian Avenue and Crider Drive. Alderman Eric Jordan seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. Motion carried.

Martha Edmonds asked the Board to look into paving C.M. Williams Circle/Rd.

Ron Ford, Elashia Ramsey, Kathy Smith and Bridget King discussed flooding on Curtis Street and Rodgers Lane.

Being no further business Alderman Dabney Long moved the meeting adjourn. Alderman Bob Pigue seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. Motion carried.

JOE M WILLIAMS, MAYOR

ALICIA PIGUE, RECORDER