

TOWN OF LOUISVILLE
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMAN

December 10, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jill Pugh, Vice-Mayor Daniel Franklin, Alderman Steven Kelley, Alderman John Loope, Alderman Lysia Vaught

Absent: None.

Other Present: Barry Ottinger, Hailey Russell, Caleb Wheeler, Don & Julie Teffeteller and 34 citizens

Mayor Jill Pugh called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Mayor Jill Pugh led the pledge of allegiance.

Vice-Mayor Daniel Franklin led the invocation.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Pugh asked for a motion to approve the minutes of November 12, 2024 and the Special Called meeting minutes for November 12, 2024 **MOTION** by Alderman Loope to approve the minutes. Second by Alderman Kelley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Mayor's Report

Mayor Pugh spoke about the Christmas Parade and how amazing the staff at the Town Hall did putting it together. There were 60 plus entries, the MSE & FSE Singers came and performed during the tree lighting. The winter banners are now up and there are still a few more waiting to be delivered.

Financial Report

Caleb Wheeler presented the board with the financial report for November 2024.

MOTION to approve the financial report for November 2024 by Alderman Kelley. Second by Alderman Loope. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Resolutions

Mayor Pugh asked for a motion to move item #2 under other business "Approval of Town making a one-time past-service contribution to the TCRS Pension Plan for current full-time employees." to the resolution portion of the agenda. **MOTION** by Vice-Mayor Franklin to approve the moving item #2 from other business to resolutions in the agenda. Second by Alderman Kelley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES**

1. A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PRIOR SERVICE PREVIOUSLY EXCLUDED ON A POLITICAL DIVISION'S DATE OF PARTICIPATION IN THE TENNESSEE CONSOLIDATED RETIREMENT SYSTEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED, SECTION 8-35-203(a)(2)

MOTION by Vice-Mayor Franklin to approve the resolution to the purchase for buying back past service for current full-time employees. Second by Alderman Kelley. ABSTAIN: Alderman Loope. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES**

Other Business

1. Authorization to request formal bids for black coated chain link fence installation between Beal Park property and Mike Beal's property

Mayor Pugh asked the board for approval to request formal bids for black coated chain link fence installation. **MOTION** by Alderman Loope. Second by Alderman Kelley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

2. Approval of Town making a one-time past-service contribution to the TCRS Pension Plan for current full-time employees

This item was moved to the resolution portion of the agenda.

3. Review of alternative methods to increase safety at Old Lowes Ferry curve and approval of preferred method

Roger Bird, Town Engineer, presented the board with the following option to increase safety at Old Lowes Ferry curve:

Property behind resident's house on curve

\$700,000 +

- TDEC Mitigation Study (Possibly be an annual mitigation cost)
- Purchasing land from 2 owners. Bowen estate & Ken Mac
- Solid Rock issues
- Crosses 2 creeks Box Culvert's cost

Widen Road

\$300,000 +

- TDEC Mitigation Study (Possibly be an annual mitigation cost)
- Extend Box Culverts on both ends.
- Changes to Culvert would require that the entire culvert be brought up to TDOT compliance standards
- Land purchase cost to widen road

Speed cameras with automatic ticketing writing system

\$0 for 1 camera. There is a cost for a 2nd camera, if we were to choose to do so. \$23,148 (freight/installation included)

- Must generate \$1,000 per month minimum for zero cost to the town.
- Above that, fines would be split between the town and ticket writing/collection company.

- Our police officer would review violators (camera pictures and speed) on a timely basis. This would be shared with the company writing the tickets. They would be responsible for collection and any court cost required.
- The officer can review even in his patrol car if they have internet access.
- They are willing to have a conference call, if needed, to go into more details.

Calming Humps across one lane at both ends with flex delineators

\$15,860

- Delineators added to the center line for 100 feet on each end to prevent lane changing to avoid calming hump.

Centerline shur-curb with flexible post for 400 feet

\$14,580

- 400 feet of flex post and hardware.

Sensors for oncoming traffic (conflict intersection system)

\$10,000

- 2 radars systems and all needed hardware. Does not include installation and freight.

Calming Humps across both lanes at each end

\$9,600

- Calming Hump based on Knox County Design. 3" height. Different from the Odell Road Hump.

Stop Signs, approaching Stop Sign Signs, with flashers

\$990

- Signs placed at the beginning and end of designated locations best suited to slow traffic in the curve.

Paving Bids- Requested due date 12/12 4pm

\$xxx

- Submitted 11/21. Due to Holidays, the bids didn't hit the papers in time for the original 12/6 deadline.
- Told that they actually have until 12/18 to submit bids. (I expect some, if not all, bids to arrive 12/12)

Caryde Jewitt, Jamie Gardner Reed, Tom Wyatt, Ray Hinkle, Bill Mattison, James Morris, Scott Elmore, Elaine Swelling, Patrick Survey, Caroline Bowin, Diana Morgan, and Dan Barker were all citizens who spoke during this time to express their concerns for the options given, the dangers of this curve in the road, and gave their suggestions.

MOTION by Vice-Mayor Franklin to install stop signs going both ways and to go ahead with the paving bids to try and get nonskid pavement there. Research more into the camera. Contact property owners to see about cutting a few trees back. Research into moving the guardrails back. Second by Alderman Kelley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES**

4. Report on 12/3 Open House results for Recreation Master Plan

Vice-Mayor Franklin updated the board on the open house results for the Recreation Master Plan. There were 17 people who signed in for the meeting but there were more in attendance.

The overall goal of the meeting was to show the community what the master plan currently includes and looks like and to get one last round of feedback. The following were changes the community wanted to see added to the plan:

1. Heart Smart Trails added to the "Top Attractions to Parks and Facilities"
2. Walking Path along the lake added to "Louisville Point Park"
3. Poland Creek Campground limit camping for entire season to open spaces for more campers to the "Poland Creek Campground"
4. Walking/hiking path up behind proposed Disc Golf Course (up the hill and through the trees) to the "Implementation Plan for the Town Hall Park"
5. Outdoor basketball court to the "Implementation Plan for the Town Hall Park"

Additional updates that will be made are:

Town Hall Park

- Add lighting to walking loop on the Town Hall Park concept plan
- Add long-term recommendation to add lighting around walking loop

Louisville Ballpark

- Move the second practice field and batting cages to short-term

Existing parks, open spaces, and facilities (in implementation plan)

- Add a recommendation to add Heart Smart elements to the existing and proposed walking paths

Any additional changes have to be in by December 11, 2024. Once the final changes are made the Master Plan will be completed. The next step of the process will be to start the process of applying for the Local Parks and Recreation Funds (LPRF) grant. The first application is the Intent to Apply Application and that deadline is January 14, 2024.

5. Appointment to boards:

DRC: Lysia Vaught, BMA Representative
Jillian Ottinger

BZA: Jill Pugh, BMA Representative

MOTION to approve these appointments. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

6. Approval of Short-Term Rental Unit Application

MOTION by Alderman Loope to adopt the Short-Term Rental Unit Application. Second by Vice-Mayor Franklin. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

7. Christmas employee/board members luncheon - December 16 at 12:00

Mayor Pugh reminded the board of the employee/board Christmas Lunch next week.

Citizens Comments

Libby Young asked Vice-Mayor Franklin if there has been any movement from the BlueCross BlueShield Healthy Spaces Grant that he applied for. Vice-Mayor Franklin stated he has not heard anything back yet however, that is not uncommon and it is commonly handed out in January.

MOTION by Vice-Mayor Franklin to adjourn the meeting. Second by Alderman Kelley.
VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES**. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor

Town Recorder

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