

TOWN OF LOUISVILLE
Board of Mayor and Aldermen

January 12, 2021
6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Bickers, Alderman Kelley, Vice Mayor Pugh, Alderman Holley (Via Zoom),
Alderman Gormley (Via Zoom)

Absent: None

Others Present: Linda Webb and one citizen.

Mayor Bickers called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Mayor Bickers led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

MOTION by Gormley to approve the minutes of the December 08, 2020, meeting of the BMA.
Second by Kelley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Mayor's Report and Approval of Monthly Financial Report:

Financial report for month ending December 31 was reviewed.

As of 12/31/2020 \$2, 437,150.50

MOTION by Holley to accept the December monthly financial report. Second by Kelley.
VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES.**

Mayor Bickers reviewed the current situation with the COVID pandemic. Cases in Blount County and Tennessee continue to spike. The Louisville Town Hall remains open for business with the precautions that have been in place since the beginning of the pandemic..

Mayor Bickers expressed thanks to the Town road maintenance crew for their dedicated service during the Christmas snow. All of the personnel worked through the Christmas morning to clear roads and place salt as appropriate.

Mayor Bickers announced that the Music Festival is tentatively set for 2021 August 06 & 07 . Planning is now moving forward with 90 days before the announced dates being the go/no go date. The ability to conduct this event will depend on the pandemic situation and State rules in place at the beginning of the 90 day decision window.

Citizens Comments: Charles Perry expressed his thanks and compliments on the 2020 paving of Mentor Road.

Resolutions and Ordinances:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF LOUISVILLE, TENNESSEE, OPPOSING THE CLOSING OF LOCAL VOTING PRECINCTS IN FAVOR OF CREATING A LIMITED NUMBER OF REGIONAL VOTING CENTERS

Mayor Bickers reviewed background for this resolution and expressed his concern that passage by Blount County would have a detrimental effect on voters in the Town of Louisville as well as the rest of the county. Mayor Bickers noted that this change would create hardships for voters, increase lines at the remaining precincts and data from a four County trial for the November 2020 election has not been evaluated.

MOTION by Bickers to approve the resolution opposing the proposed change in Blount County precincts Second by Kelley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES**

Resolution 2021-01 Passes

Other Action Items:

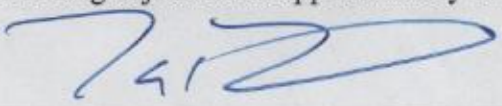
1. Transfer of ROW to Nix at 3939 River Bend Drive per final plat:

Mayor Bickers reviewed the background for this item. The current plat adjusts the ROW on the River Bend Drive cul-de-sac from the original circular configuration to a hammerhead configuration. This adjustment results in some of the original ROW no longer needed. Town Engineer Swicegood confirmed that the new roadway was installed to Town requirements and recommends the unused existing ROW be transferred to the property owner.

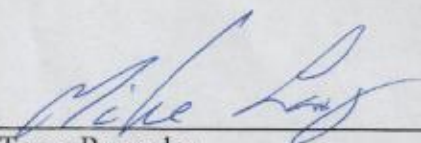
MOTION by Bickers to approve the transfer of ROW to Nix subject to final plat approval by the Planning Commission. Second by Gormley. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. **MOTION PASSES**

The Planning Commission will be notified that the BMA has approved the transfer of ROW subject to final plat approval.

MOTION by Gormley to adjourn the meeting; Second by Holley, VOTE: UNANIMOUS. Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:43 PM



Mayor



Town Recorder