

**TOWN OF LOUISVILLE**  
**Board of Mayor and Aldermen**

November 09, 2021  
6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Bickers, Alderman Kelley, Alderman Holley, Vice Mayor Pugh

Absent: Alderman Gormley

Others Present: Linda Webb, Don & Julie Teffeteller and seven citizens present.

Mayor Bickers called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

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

**MOTION** by Holley to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021, 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 October 31 was reviewed. Mayor Bickers reported that Mike Long, TOL Recorder, is working on a fully itemized accounting for the Wolfstock financial results. The report should be ready for review by the BMA at the December meeting.

As of 10/31/2021      \$2, 095,302.88

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

Mayor Bickers reviewed the status of the Smith & Wesson facility to be located in Partnership Park North on Proffitt Springs Road. Mayor Bickers recently met with City of Maryville officials to ensure that the interests of Lovingood Way residents are included in all design work. The Mayor discussed the Urban Growth Boundary adjustment required because the City of Alcoa was not able to move forward with services need by Smith & Wesson. Maryville will annex the properties and provide services. The Mayor communicated the changes in Lovingood Way to move further away from the intersection of Proffitt Springs and Louisville Road. A new intersection will be provided by TDOT with full turn lanes and traffic control lights. Additionally, Louisville Road will be widened from Proffitt Springs to Topside Road. Topside and Louisville Road will be fully traffic signaled.

Mayor Bickers reported on the recent inspection by TDOT of the Miser Station Road bridge across the Lackey Creek embayment. As a result of the inspection, the weight limit of the bridge is now 34 tons and has been signed as required by TDOT. This current condition may allow the TOL to apply for State funding to replace. Additionally, the TOL may push to have TDOT include the bridge on Louisville Road at the marina to be included in State funding to replace. Also, the intersection at Old Lowes Ferry Road and Louisville Road will be included in the request for TDOT funding to alleviate the extremely poor alignment of this intersection.

Mayor Bickers communicated the results of meeting with TVA concerning the new growth of aquatic vegetation in the Lackey Creek embayment. TVA brought two experts in this field to discuss the situation in Lackey Creek. The recorded meeting should be available for posting on the website. TVA experts identified the growth of American Pond Weed, a native plant that can lie dormant for several decades. Herbicides are required to kill the weed and TVA will send a list of approved herbicides. TVA recommended to wait until spring to determine if cold weather killed the weed. If the weed starts growing in the spring, then treatment with the herbicide is recommended.

Mayor Bickers announced that the annual Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, December 11 at 11:00 AM. The parade was rescheduled due to a conflict with the Townsend Christmas parade. The Blount County Sheriff's Office could not support both parades at the same time and requested that Louisville reschedule.

Mayor Bickers reported on the status of the ongoing preparation of a Master Plan for the Town Hall property. The Master Plan will be presented at the December BMA meeting for approval. The current plan would be to complete Phase 1 in 2022. Phase 1 would include playground, stage restrooms and picnic plaza, all near the playground area. The Master Plan would include concepts for further development of the remainder of the property including bike trails, educational areas, trees etc. The landscape architect developing the Master Plan will be at the December BMA meeting as a resource for questions.

Mayor Bickers communicated the status of the current ISO Audit. Preliminary comments indicate an improved rating may be expected. An improved rating could result in lower homeowner's insurance rates. The TOL needs to approve adoption of the 2018 International Building Codes as one deliverable to help improve the rating. The BMA will address a resolution to adopt the 2018 Codes in the December meeting.

Mayor Bickers announced that Dick McGill will retire at the end of the year as Codes Official. Dick has also been doing codes enforcement for Friendsville on a fee basis. The TOL has started the search for a new Codes Official.

Mayor Bickers communicated that the TOL may hold a joint Spring Festival with Friendsville. This joint event would help non-profit organizations in both areas.

Mayor Bickers reported on the status of updating the 20 Year Growth Plan. This activity has been ongoing by the Planning Commission for over a year. The Growth Plan will focus on

zoning regulations and the zoning map. With the continued population growth in the TOL, this updated plan should help guide us into the future.

**Citizens Comments:** John Loope requested that the TOL be open and transparent about substantial Wolfstock financial losses. Mr. Loope requested that the TOL commit to never letting this happen again and he will wait on the final figures in December. Dave Christopher reported that a vehicle traveling on Rankin Ferry Loop violates the noise ordinance everyday with extremely loud speakers. Additionally, Mr. Christopher reported the vehicle is traveling at excessive speeds. Jim Collins confirmed his agreement with the Lackey Creek assessment of Pond Weed infestation. Mr. Collins thanked the TOL for efforts to get the Pond Weed under control and also voiced his concern about potential silt from both the airport and Smith & Wesson.

**Resolutions and Ordinances:**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AMENDING THE TEXT OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF LOUISVILLE, TENNESSEE, AMENDING SECTIONS 11-704(1)(B) AND 11-703 OF THE LOUISVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE CONCERNING STORAGE FACILITIES (First Reading)

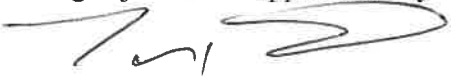
Mayor Bickers reviewed the background concerning the need for revisions to the Zoning Ordinance to control further development of public storage facilities.

**MOTION** by Bickers to approve the ordinance as proposed. Second by Kelley. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS. MOTION PASSES**

A public hearing to gather citizen input will be held prior to the December BMA meeting beginning at 6:00 PM December 14.

**Other Action Items:** None

**MOTION** by Kelley to adjourn the meeting; Second by Holley, **VOTE: UNANIMOUS.** Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:16 PM

  
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Mayor

  
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Town Recorder