

**Town of Pegram Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Order of Business December 6, 2021
Minutes**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1) **Call to Order:** 7:04 pm
- 2) **Roll Call:** Present: Bob Sanders, John Louallen, Rankine Roth, Pat Anderson, Michael Paszek.

Also present: Martha Brooke Perry, Attorney and Jamie Mrzena, Recorder.
- 3) **Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Bob Sanders
- 4) **Minutes of the Previous Meeting Approval and/or Correction:** October 25, 2021
Motion to approve previous minutes and waive reading by Alderman Sanders; seconded by Alderman Paszek. Vote: All present in favor; motion carried.
- 5) **Announcements and Communication from the Mayor:** Per the Attorney, Mayor Louallen made a motion to add Christmas in the Park donation as 9.7; seconded by Alderman Paszek. Vote: All present in favor; motion carried. Speeding on Walkup Road was being addressed with the Speed Trailer and seemed to be working. When Sgt. Vaughn from Kingston Springs came to take the Speed Trailer back, he unhooked the data box and put it on the bed of his truck. He failed to move the data box and when he drove off the data box fell off of his truck and they were unable to find it so any data collected was lost.
Kingston Springs is in the process of ordering a new data box. Mayor Louallen proposes that at the next workshop that we either send out surveys or wait until the new data box comes in and set up the Speed trailer again.
There are also speeding concerns on Sam's Creek Road at Ridgeview Drive as pulling out there is dangerous due to the speed of cars coming down Sam's Creek Road. The Highway Patrol has stated that they will run radar in this area when they are available. Vice Mayor Roth stated that he has seen the Highway Patrol on Sam's Creek Road. Mayor Louallen also called TDOT and is waiting on a response to see if anything can be done to slow people down in that area.
With all the weather coming in on Friday, we may be cancelling Christmas in the Park. The decision will be made on Friday due to the Middle School choir coming and they will need to know. There is no rain date.
Mayor Louallen is meeting on Dec. 7th with the other county Mayor's about possible utility grants available.
- 6) **Public Forum:** Neal Hays of 683 Ridgeview Drive is concerned about the speeding on Sam's Creek. He stated that the Highway Patrol has been there and tickets have been issued. Mr. Hays thinks the ripple strip would be good to reduce speed and let people know to slow down. Sabyn Berry of 650 Ridgeview Drive also spoke of the speeding on Sam's Creek.

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7) Reports from Committees, Board and Town Officials/Department Heads:

Verbal Reports:

a) Alderman: Vice Mayor Roth thanked Public Works for the great job on the lights around Town.

b) City Attorney: Zoning Update-Concerning the treatment center being operated on Ridgeview Drive. Our zoning, the Fair Housing Act of Tennessee, Title 13, and the Federal Fair Housing Act state that you can't prohibit handicapped individuals, which would include several issues, from living in a group home. Our zoning complies with both the State and Federal Fair Housing Act. There will be a letter drafted and sent to the owner of the property and the leasee of the property to provide the proper documents to have this facility in this area. The homeowners are concerned about the alcohol/drug abuse and the sexual abuse/offender issues. The residents of this facility also walk in the Tanglewood subdivision where there are several children that live and play and there is concern for their safety.

c) Fire Chief: Chief Stuart stated that the call number as of this date is 376 which is up from 353 at the same time last year. This number is also a record number for the department. Mr. Fonseca is working on a grant for turn out gear. The grant is for \$101,000.00 with just 5% matching. Chief Stuart asked if anyone can talk to TDOT about Hwy 70 at Dogwood Lane it would be appreciated.

8) Old Business:

8.1 Public Works Employee Leave of Absence

Motion to discuss by Alderman Paszek; seconded by Vice Mayor Roth. Larry Martin has stated that he will be leaving the Town's employment and will tender his resignation effective January 1, 2022.

9) New Business:

9.1 Assistant Town Recorder

Motion to discuss the hiring of Assistant Town Recorder by Alderman Paszek; seconded by Vice Mayor Roth. Ms. Womack has since left the position. It is necessary to hire in time to get the required training and to work with current Town Recorder before she retires. Mayor Louallen is recommending Tina Morehead for the Assistant Town Recorder job. In her early career she worked for the City of Richland, MS. Her current job requires that she be able to multi-task and that is a benefit for the job of Assistant Town Recorder. Due to this, Mayor Louallen would like to make a motion that Tina Morehead be hired as the Assistant Town Recorder and start after the first of the year; seconded by Alderman Anderson. Vote: Sanders-yes, Louallen-yes, Roth-yes, Anderson-yes, Paszek-yes; motion carried.

9.2 Fire Department ATV

Motion to discuss by Vice Mayor Roth; seconded by Alderman Anderson. An ATV was donated to the Fire Dept. a few years ago. At the time of the donation the owner did not have the title nor is able to locate. The Fire Dept. is unable to use the ATV and would like permission from the board to return the ATV to the person who donated it originally as he can't find the title but will take the ATV back. Motion to return ATV to original owner by Alderman Anderson; seconded by Vice Mayor Roth. Vote: Sanders-yes, Louallen-yes, Roth-yes, Anderson-yes, Paszek-yes. Motion carried.

9.3 Snow Plow

Motion to discuss by Alderman Paszek; seconded by Vice Mayor Roth. There were three (3) quotes obtained for the attachment of the snow plow to the new truck. Stringfellow at \$7964.00, Sno-Way

at \$8900.00 and Reading Truck at \$9565.00. The old plow will not fit the new truck. Danny Crutcher would like to use Stringfellow as they and Reading are the only ones able to attach the plow this winter. Mayor Louallen made a motion to approve Stringfellow for the amount of \$7964.00 to attach the snow plow to the new truck contingent on the controls being included in this price. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Roth. Vote: Sanders-yes, Louallen-yes, Roth-yes, Anderson-yes, Paszek-yes. Motion carried.

9.4 Weather Radios

Motion to discuss by Vice Mayor Roth; seconded by Alderman Anderson. The Town is going to buy weather radios for the residents that would like one. There were thirteen (13) that have requested one. Edwin Hogan, from the county, suggested the Midland Weather Radio at a cost of \$26.90 each. Mayor Louallen hopes that when the original radios are given out that more will hear about them and want one. Motion by Alderman Paszek to purchase thirty (30) weather radios at a cost of \$26.90 each; seconded by Vice Mayor Roth. Vote: Sanders-yes, Louallen-yes, Roth-yes, Anderson-yes, Paszek-yes. Motion carried.

9.5 CSX Repairs

Motion to discuss by Vice Mayor Roth; seconded by Alderman Paszek. CSX and TDOT are working together to resurface all the railroad crossings between Dickson and Davidson counties. The worst impact will be at Walkup Road as that is the only way in and out. Mayor Louallen will work with CSX to get the date and amount of time the crossing will be closed and communicate this to the residents of Walkup Road and the sub-division. Chief Stuart will have a truck parked on the Walkup Road side of the tracks during this closure also. Motion to allow Mayor Louallen to sign the agreement for CSX to do this resurfacing work by Mayor Louallen; seconded by Alderman Anderson. Vote: Sanders-yes, Louallen-yes, Roth-yes, Anderson-yes, Paszek-yes. Motion carried.

9.6 Pegram Park Fencing

Motion to discuss by Alderman Paszek; seconded by Mayor Louallen. We did not get the third quote on this matter so there will be no vote on this tonight. The fencing at the Park is in ill repair and needs to be replaced. Much of the fencing is held up with zip ties. The fencing along Thompson Rd. is really bad. Motion to authorize the Town to solicit bids for fencing at the Park by Mayor Louallen; seconded by Vice Mayor Roth. Vote: All present in favor: motion carried. Mayor Louallen made a motion to correct prior motion to move to allow the Town to solicit bids for fencing at the Park and set the bid opening date for Jan. 31, 2022 before the next BOMA meeting; seconded by Alderman Sanders. Vote: Sanders-yes, Louallen-yes, Roth-yes, Anderson-yes, Paszek-yes. Motion carried.

9.7 Christmas in the Park Donation

Motion to discuss the Town Christmas Party donation by Vice Mayor Roth; seconded by Alderman Paszek. The allotted expense for the Town's Christmas Party as a thank you for staff and volunteers is \$1500.00. The event will be held at Rutledge West and will exceed the allotted funds. John Louallen is donating the funds from his personal account to cover any expenses in excess of the allotted \$1500.00. Motion to approve the donation from John Louallens personal account to cover the Christmas Party expenses in excess of \$1500.00 by Alderman Paszek; seconded by Vice Mayor Roth. Vote: Sanders-yes, Louallen-yes, Roth-yes, Anderson-yes, Paszek-yes. Motion carried.

- 10) **Adjournment:** 8:02 pm
Motion to adjourn by Vice Mayor Roth; seconded by Alderman Paszek. Vote: All present in favor; motion carried.

John Louallen, Mayor

Jamie Mrzena, Recorder

Date