
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
KIMBALL, TENNESSEE
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Kimball Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held on Thursday, March 5, 2020 in the Meeting Room of Town Hall, 675 Main Street, Kimball, Tennessee.

Mayor Pesnell called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Pesnell requested Vice Mayor Case to say the invocation over the meeting.

Mayor Pesnell requested Alderman Lofty to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Pesnell asked Recorder May to call roll.

Those present were: Mayor Rex Pesnell, Vice Mayor Jerry Don Case, Alderman Teresa Lofty, Alderman Johnny Sisk, Alderman John Matthews, and Attorney William Gouger, Jr.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by **Alderman Lofty**, seconded by **Alderman Sisk** the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting for February 6, 2020 were approved unanimously on a board vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Alderman Sisk asked about the turn signal going into Wendy's from Kimball going towards South Pittsburg on Main Street/Hwy 72.

Mayor Pesnell had the following items under old business:

- The mayor wanted to remind the others on the board about Gordman's Grand Opening March 31st at 9 am.
- For an update on adding a signal at Wendy's, Nabco has sent an estimate on the turn signal. Robbie with Nabco Electric came down and looked at the project and sent an estimate which included concrete in the amount of \$13,345. This amount is above the town's limit to work without bidding the job; therefore, after some more discussion, a motion was made by **Vice Mayor Case**, seconded by **Alderman Matthews** to table the issue on the turn signal off Main Street into Wendy's. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.

SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS

a.) Division of Benefits Administration regarding the Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) to either Opt In or Opt Out as a Local Government Agency – Retiree Coverage Election Form

A motion was made by **Alderman Matthews**, seconded by **Vice Mayor Case** to Opt Out of the Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) from Division of Benefits Administration for Local Government Agency – Retiree Coverage Election. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.

b.) Approval of Johnson, Murphey, and Wright, P.C. Audit Contract for Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

A motion was made by **Vice Mayor Case**, seconded by **Alderman Matthews** to approve the audit contract with Johnson, Murphey, and Wright, P.C. for Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.

c.) Site Plan for Kimball AirMed Care Benefit

Mayor Pesnell stated the Kimball AirMed Care Benefit Plan is up for renewal at the same monthly/annual rate as the past years. Each Kimball Resident may upgrade their coverage plan for \$45 per family for those under 60 years of age and \$35 per family for those over 60 years of age.

A motion was made by **Alderman Sisk**, seconded by **Alderman Matthews** to approve the AirMed Care Plan for all Kimball Residents for Coverage within Marion County. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.

d.) Approve the Submittal of the Unpaid Property Taxes to the Attorney for Collection

A motion was made by **Vice Mayor Case**, seconded by **Alderman Matthews** to approve the submittal of the unpaid property taxes to the attorney for collection. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.

e.) Approval of Spring Soccer Coaches

Mayor Pesnell recommends approving the coaches, contingent upon all background checks being cleared through NCSI by gameday.

A motion was made by **Alderman Lofty**, seconded by **Alderman Matthews** to approve the Spring Soccer Coaches for 2020 contingent upon clear background checks by gameday. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.

f.) Ratify the bill from CPW for the Sewer Pump for the Main Lift Station in the amount of \$9,444 plus shipping

A motion was made by **Alderman Matthews**, seconded by **Vice Mayor Case** to ratify the bill from CPW for the sewer pump for the Main Lift Station in the amount of \$9,444 plus shipping. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.

The sewer pumps are being clogged with grease, particles, and other materials. It appears that a large piece of metal or another foreign object hit the pump which was damaged and bent the shaft. The maintenance department has an inspection sheet for all businesses that have grease traps just to make inspections and notes as an effort to help with the sludge entering our sewer system.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

Alderman Matthews stated he had nothing further to report.

FIRE REPORT

Alderman Sisk gave the fire report for February 2020; the department responded to two calls during the month which were one rescue and one vehicle fire.

The board wanted to recognize Fire Chief Keef for his 25 years as Fire Chief. The Fire Department had a surprise party recognizing this in February. The department is very fortunate to have someone with this much knowledge.

The department has a new laptop, printer and data cord as needed. Fireman Hullender requested a donation from Walmart for a new tv which was received with no hesitation. Walmart donated a 65-inch tv to the Kimball Fire and Rescue Department which will be incorporated during their training sessions so everyone will be able to see the PowerPoint slides or other training information.

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD REPORT

Alderman Lofty stated the Park and Recreation Board meeting for February was cancelled. The Kimball Soccer League has finished Spring 2020 registration with 152 players. The town accepted Powells Crossroads players as they did not have enough players for any teams. The town will host three games for the Spring with the season having a total of seven games. The next meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2020 at 5:30 pm.

POLICE REPORT

Vice Mayor Case gave an update on the Police Department as follows:

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| Litigation Tax and Training Fees | \$147.50 |
| Court Costs | \$602.50 |
| Fines | \$355.00 |
| Report Fe | \$40.00 |
| Sessions Court | \$288.32 |
| Total | \$1,433.32 |

Vice Mayor Case stated the department responded to 278 calls. Tahoe #88 is back on the road; therefore, all Tahoe police units should be on the road.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Vice Mayor Case stated the Kimball Planning Commission met on February 18th. The commission reviewed and approved the final plat from Marion Farms. The commission decided to change the meeting times to 5:30 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 5:30 pm.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Gouger had nothing to report. However, he wanted to verify the emergency purchase of the sewer pump. The company was able to get the pump the town needed under \$10,000.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Pesnell had items under new business as follows:

- A local, Bailee Kirk, is organizing Cookeville Disaster Relief. She is asking for items to be dropped at First Volunteer Bank or the local elementary schools by February 7th. This is an effort to help those affected by the recent tornados. After research, the donations of goods seem to be overwhelming. Mayor Pesnell stated he remembers all the help Kimball received and would still like to do something. The post found on their government site stated that monetary donations would be greatly appreciated.

After some discussion, a motion was made by **Alderman Sisk**, seconded by **Alderman Matthews** to donate to Putnam-Cookeville Disaster Relief in the amount of \$1,000. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.

- The town would like to recognize the Whitwell Fishing Team. The team has had several teams place this year and been team of the tournament on several occasions. Several of the teams weighed fish at the Nickajack tournament. Westin Moss and Drake Hemby placed first out of 164 boats at the Nickajack tournament in February. Westin Moss and Josh Willis have been invited to fish the 2020 Bassmaster High School Series Classic Exhibition on Lay Lake in Alabama March 7th with weigh in taking place at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex. The town wishes the anglers the best of luck.
- The mayor stated he met with Mike Birdwell with SVE Connects and Lew Loyd concerning hopefully a negotiation about being able to place a switch box on it for the fiber optics for the Battle creek/Old Dixie area and other parts of Kimball. This property is located behind Krystal. If a negotiation can be reached then SVE Connects will need to add a concrete pad to the property.
- The sewer project off Dixie Lee Center Drive has been completed. Both Mike Nelson, Kimball Sewer Collection Operator and Matthew Tucker with James C. Hailey & Company have been involved in this sewer line extension inspecting the project and progress along the way.
- The town will have its Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Friday, April 10th at 6 pm at the Kimball Park. The town can use all the help with this event. There will be a stuffing party before the event. The town has 6,000 eggs to get stuffed before the event.
- The mayor wanted to remind everyone to spring forward on Daylight Savings Time which begins March 8th.
- Finances

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| General Fund | \$1,823,960 |
| State Street Aid | \$ 48,775 |
| Drug Fund | \$ 9,671 |
| Sewer Fund | \$ 870,651 |
| Grand Total | \$2,753,057 |


- The next regular scheduled meeting will be April 2, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Pesnell said once a date was set for the Egg Stuffing Party, he would try to let everyone interested know the date. Mrs. Jayne Pesnell stated anyone that wanted to bring already stuffed eggs by town hall, this is another form of sponsorship welcomed for the event. Anyone in the audience that knows a business or others that might want to participate please encourage them to come to the egg hunt or the stuffing party.

Roger Haggard wanted to inform everyone that it will be 2022 before the state starts making right-of-way purchases from Hillcrest Drive in Kimball, Tennessee to Magnolia Avenue in Jasper, Tennessee for the widening of the roadway on Hwy 41/Main Street/Hwy 64/Hwy72.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was nothing further to come before the board, motion was made by **Alderman Sisk** to adjourn. The motion was seconded by **Alderman Lofty**. The motion passed unanimously on a board vote.



Rex Pesnell, Mayor



Tonia May, Recorder