

**Graysville Board of Mayor and Commissioners**  
**Graysville Municipal Building**  
**June 21, 2012 7:00 p.m.**

**Call to order by Mayor Ted Doss**

Prayer led by Commissioner Robbie Davenport

Pledge led by Commissioner Andy Beene

**Roll Call:**

Mayor Ted Doss	Present
Vice Mayor Jimmy Massengill	Absent
Commissioner Andy Beene	Present
Commissioner Samantha Redden	Present
Commissioner Robbie Davenport	Present
Commissioner Charles Kaylor	Present
Commissioner Dennis Miller	Absent

**Communications from Mayor and Commissioners**

Mayor Doss attended a meeting on attracting retirees to Rhea County. Tennessee is in the top 3 states for recruiting retirees.

State Representative Jim Cobb dedicated a section of Rhea County Highway 27 in honor of Mr. Hiram Green. The commission members said Mr. Green was always helping people and supportive of local churches.

Mr. Bo Kaylor a charter member of 911 in Rhea County and Graysville fire investigator was inducted into the 911 Hall of Honor.

**Approval of May 10, 2012 minutes**

A motion to accept the May 10, 2012 minutes was made by Commissioner Davenport; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Redden. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Kaylor abstaining.

**Consent Agenda for June**

A motion to accept the Consent Agenda for June was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Beene. Motion carried 5-0.

**Old Business**

**Ordinance 2012-4 Modifying Fire Protection and Fire Works Section 7 Chapter 5 of the Municipal Code Book**

A motion to accept the Public Hearing and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance 2012-4 Modifying Fire Protection and Fireworks Section 7 Chapter 5 was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mayor Doss. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Lawn Mower Purchase**

A motion to accept the bid from Vassey Lawn & Garden for the Toro Z500 Model 74295 for \$6500.00 was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Redden. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Properly Presented Old Business**

None at this time

### **New Business**

#### **Interim Chief Erik Redden**

Commissioner Kaylor "what kind of changes have you made". Interim Chief Erik Redden "we have one new part time and I'm getting out on the streets to see what's going on".

Mayor Doss "have you been able to get with the County and Dayton City Police Departments to let them know who to contact"? Interim Chief Redden "I have, in fact I'm going to bring something to the board about Graysville, Spring City, City of Dayton and Rhea County setting up a couple roadblocks over the next three months, to get the old bonds back."

Commissioner Davenport "what about all the vehicles we got out here?" Interim Chief Redden "well we got several new ones, from DUI's and things like that, we have three new ones."

Mayor Doss "these reports you copied off and gave us, is this about average or above average". Interim Chief Redden "we had a pretty high month, we had 25 arrests last month. On average we have somewhere between 6- 15 a month up until last month." Mayor Doss "I have read each one and see where the county is working with you on some of these and I think that's something we really need." Interim Chief Redden "yeah its something we lacked for a while but it's starting to pick back up."

Commissioner Davenport "we have had several meth busts over the past couple of weeks, exactly how many of those have you assisted your department with." Interim Chief Redden "everyone".

Commissioner Kaylor "would accept the \$32,040.00?" Interim Chief Redden "yeah".

A motion to accept Mr. Erik Redden as our Chief of Police with a starting salary of \$32,040.00 was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Davenport. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Redden abstaining.

### **Mutual Aid Agreement**

A motion to accept the Mutual Aid Agreement was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Davenport. Motion carried 5-0

### **Zip Codes**

City Recorder Horton "Long Street and the side streets have 37321 as a zip code. In the past Graysville Post Master Katrina Fugate, 911 Director and City Recorder Horton have met to discuss getting this changed to 37338. However with the changing of the 911 Director this issue didn't move forward. A couple of months ago 911 Director Shane Clark and City Recorder Horton picked the topic up and have contacted Nashville. There is a lengthy process to go thru to see about getting the zip code boundaries changed. There is no guarantee going thru the process will get the zip code changed to 37338. The problems citizens have is UPS and other carries can't deliver their mail if the citizens doesn't have home mail delivery as they are not aware their address is Dayton TN 37321 not Graysville TN 37338.

Mayor Doss feels that it is worth pursuing because of the issues it has caused with Electric Power Company. Commissioner Kaylor would also like to pursue it due to all his work mail having to go to his dad's house as he is one of them affected with a Long Street address.

A motion to pursue the zip code change was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Beene. Motion carried 5-0

### **Operate on 1/12 of the 2011/2012 Budget**

A motion to operate on 1/12 of the 2011/2012 budget was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Redden. Motion carried 5-0

### **Any properly presented new business**

Mayor Doss "citizens are asking if we could re address the speed limit on the side roads as 15 mph is to slow. They would like to see it 20 mph. Commissioner Kaylor suggest looking at budget first due to cost of signs. Commissioner Beene agreed to look first at budget and to keep kids in mind who are riding bicycles and walking.

### **State Form CT-0253**

The State Form CT-0253 was reviewed by the board.

Commissioner Davenport "I have had several citizens come to me over the last couple of months concerning the fire department". How many active certified first responders do we have?" Mrs. Susan Miles, wife of Fire Cheif "we have three".

Commissioner Davenport "the first compliant was about one of the firefighters who is not a first responder traveling at very high speeds on Pikeville Avenue going on first responder calls with no emergency lights on." We have several kids on Pikeville Avenue, I live on Pikeville Avenue, and I have a scanner I heard a first responder call go out and was able to witness this man myself doing at least 50 to 60 mph down the road in his personal vehicle. I know he went in service because he did it before passing my house, so is that our responsibility if he wrecks going on a call?" City Recorder Horton "A fireman is not supposed to go on first responder calls, only first responders themselves." Mrs. Miles "the fireman who are trained in first aid and AED, yeah they respond as you never know what you're coming up to on the scene". City Recorder Horton "but insurance wise and I'll double check with it they are not to be in the house or on the scene if they are not first responders.

Mrs. Miles "we have no control on them on speeding, we have told them to not do it. I mean write them a ticket that's the only thing to show them we mean no speeding".

Commissioner Redden "how many active firefighters do you have on your roster right." Mrs. Miles "about 25" Commissioner Redden "and they all have been told this". Mrs. Miles "yes at every meeting."

Commissioner Davenport "also it's actually the same firefighter, it's been brought to my attention when he needs a police officer at his house for personal issues he is going to the police channel on the radio and requesting police to come out on call." Mrs. Miles "that is supposed to go thru central." Interim Chief Redden "fire department are not supposed to be on police radio at all unless it's a fire situation." City Recorder Horton "the policy is it all goes thru central, when a citizen calls here needing an officer we call central not the officer so that it's all logged in."

Commissioner Davenport "this is concerning the chief's vehicle, now I understand he is on the rescue squad with 600. A concerned citizen said 600 got a call and Chief Miles took the chief vehicle, lights and sirens with excessive speed out of the city to the county, what is our liability on that?" City Recorder Horton "I had heard someone did this, I don't know if it was the chief or not. I did address this with Chief Miles and it's not our policy at all. Our vehicles only respond to Graysville calls unless we have been asked to backup. If you want to go on a call that is out of our limits and Graysville has not been requested as Mutual Aid then you take your personal vehicle.

Mayor Doss "when you're out of town do you leave the vehicle with anyone?"

Mrs. Miles " yes Scott or Adam" Mayor Doss "sounds like you just need to have a pow wow with department to tighten the ropes"

Mrs. Miles gave board information on 2012 Freedomfest and invited everyone up to join the fun.

Commissioner Davenport invited everyone to come out to the first movie in the park on June 29, 2012.

### **Citizen Input**

Mr. John Fuller is interested in opening a permanent firework/convenience store at his store. Mayor Doss said they would look at it.

Mr. Barrett Bishop addressed board on the speed cameras along highway 27. His daughter got a speeding ticket and she doesn't even know where Graysville is, he feels the cameras are only a speed trap.

Mr. Tommy Swafford "To me there is too much family business going on in here. I would like to talk to this man here (pointing at Commissioner Beene), I have done ask you once to resign and now the board has let him set here for six months and I don't understand why, you all know what happen to him so now I'm asking the whole board to resign, it's not right for him to be allowed to set on board".

Mr. Mike Knox "I would like to talk about the camera too. I went to Madisonville and they got the same set up but back from the camera they have a big sign, all we have are small ones. How far away from the camera does the officer have to set"? Mayor Doss "within viewing distance". Mr. Knox "are we not here for the people, if we are going to have the thing then let's do all we can to keep people from getting tickets, that would be we the people wouldn't it". Mayor Doss "yes sir".

Mr. Knox "my next thing is garbage service; we are paying \$8.00 a month on probably 600 meters, that's \$5,000.00 a month, \$60,000.00 a year now for almost ten years. How much we have in garbage truck fund? Mayor Doss said "I don't know right off hand, but the money brought in helps maintain the truck and pays sanitation employees".

Mr. Ray Harvey "First thing I want to say is this is the most citizen unfriendly government they ever dealt with in their lives. I started coming to these meeting over a year ago as a citizen concerning loud music, cats and dogs, then I started calling the cops because I was not getting anywhere. I took care of the barking dogs by shooting my gun out in my yard; I got them to quiet down. Cats, aint nothing been done about them. I came to the last

meeting and told you if you didn't do something about them I was going to start shooting. I went to jail over shooting at a chicken. I have shoot approximately 25 times in my yard, this is my last time coming to city meeting asking for help, if you don't take care of the problem I'm going to sue the city government".

Mayor Doss "Bobby how many cats have the owner caught?" Animal Control Officer Bobby McMillon said "seventeen gone to shelter or has been given away". Mayor Doss made a request to buy four cat crates. Commissioner Redden made a request for Animal Control Officer McMillon set up a meeting with county animal control. Mayor Doss "asks Chief Redden if he would set up a meeting with County Animal Control". Chief Redden "he would take care of it."

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mayor Doss. Motion carried 5 – 0.

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Mayor, Ted Doss

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City Recorder, Michelle Horton

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