

**Graysville Board of Mayor and Commissioners  
Graysville Municipal Building  
February 14, 2013 7:00 p.m.**

**Call to order by Mayor Ted Doss**

Prayer led by Mayor Ted Doss

Pledge led by Commissioner Michael May

**Roll Call:**

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| Mayor Ted Doss              | Present |
| Vice Mayor Denesa Reel      | Present |
| Commissioner Andy Beene     | Late    |
| Commissioner Charles Kaylor | Present |
| Commissioner Michael May    | Present |

**Mayor Doss introduced Sam Sage Regional Planner of Southeast Tennessee Development District**

Mr. Sage gave the commission the totals for the 2013 Community Development Block Grant for the Fire Department and Rhea Ambulance Service. The total amount is \$397,000.00, \$250,000.00 grant funds and \$147,000.00 local match.

Commissioner Beene enters meeting.

**Communications from Mayor and Commissioners**

Mayor Doss "I have put information on some of the meetings I attend in your packets; I encourage you to attend all the meeting you can."

**Approval of January 10 and 25, 2013 Commission Minutes**

A motion to accept the January 10 and 25, 2013 minutes was made by Commissioner Beene; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Mayor Reel. Commissioner Kaylor abstained. Motion carried 4-1.

**Consent Agenda**

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

**Old Business**

**Zip Code Issue Update**

City Recorder Horton "The city is still waiting to hear back from the state. We will leave this on agenda to keep everyone updated."

### **Year Round Fire Works Sale**

A motion to table this to February 28, 2013 special called meeting was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner May. Motion carried 5-0.

### **2013 LSTA Technology Grant Program**

City Recorder Horton "Mayor Doss has signed the contract we are now waiting on the state to sign off. Once we receive the signed contract back we will order the computers. We are hoping this will be completed by next board meeting."

### **Brush Collection**

A motion to get bids for cost of pick up, chipping and disposal and then a bid for pick up; chipping with the city disposing of it was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner May. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made to hold a special called meeting on February 28, 2013 at 7pm by Mayor Doss; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner May. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Old Library Building and Land**

City Recorder Horton "We are currently asking for a variance of 20,000 from TDEC. Once we are notified if we are granted the variance the property will be surveyed and sub divided. I'm hoping this is completed within the next two weeks."

### **Commission 4 Year Plan**

Mayor Doss "I asked each board member to pick one of your ideas and 4 other's off the list. Prioritize 1-5 with 1 being the most important, then bring it back to Michelle to get an idea of what the board feels should be our top priority. The new order was:

Repair and Replace Sidewalks and add more street lights  
Clean Up, Road Repair, Bridge Repair, Clean Ditches and Culverts  
New roof on park building, Improve Relationship with Community  
Recycling, Rapid Cast, Civil Service, Ball field Repairs to host tournaments  
Entrance to Library, Gazebo, Recruit new Businesses, New Garbage Truck  
Work with city employees for a day, Drug Problem and Water Meter per resident

Mayor Doss "Commissioner May spent a week working with city employees last week to get a fill of their job and duties. Would you like to address your time spent with them? Commissioner May "not at this time."

Mayor Doss "I would like to thank the board and department heads for contributing to the list."

### **Any properly presented old business**

Commissioner Kaylor "Did we designate anything for the park egg hunt in the budget?" City Recorder Horton "They spend about \$500.00 out of their operating fund the city has set aside for them." Commissioner Kaylor "I just want to make sure they have it for the kids." City Recorder Horton "Yes that is always a big event for them."

Vice Mayor Reel "I would like to discuss the Hall property. So we have decided Mr. Yother is not allowed to put a trailer on that property, is that correct, or can we vote on it again, if so I would like to make motion to vote on it again." City Recorder Horton "Mr. Yother fiancé came in and got an application. I explained to Mr. Yother on the phone the process required." Vice Mayor Reel "Mr. Yother are you still interested in moving to Graysville?" Mr. Yother "Yes I am still interested in moving to Graysville. I have spoken to Andy Beene and Terry Hall about it." Mr. Terry Hall "Who has the final say so if we do all this?" City Recorder Horton "The planning board will make a recommendation to regular board." Mr. Hall "Can I get the paper?" City Recorder Horton "Yes I will give it to you after meeting."

### **New Business**

#### **Speed Limit**

Mayor Doss "I have been getting a lot of complaints about the 15 mph speed limit on a lot of the streets. I would like to look at changing the 15 to 20 mph, to me 15 is just too slow. " City Recorder Horton "The current cost on new speed limit signs are \$29.67 each." Commissioner Kaylor "We all need to ride around and look at each street and make a list on what we think the speed limit would be good on them. I will make motion to table to the next meeting with each of us bringing our list of suggestions in." 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Mayor Reel. Motion carried 5-0

#### **Budget Workshop**

A motion was made to hold budget workshop on March 4, 2013 at 7pm by Commissioner Kaylor; Commissioner May made the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 5-0.

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

#### **Resolution 2013-1**

A motion to accept Resolution 2013-1 was made by Commissioner Kaylor; Commissioner Beene made the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 5-0.

## **Citizen Input**

Citizen Mike Knox "Cleanup is starting and what about tires; before you had a container for them are you going to have one this year?"

Mayor Doss "Not sure yet last time we had over 700 coming in from out of the city, probably business's and it took better part of the year to get rid of them. If we can control it then I don't have a problem with it."

Mr. Knox "The reason I ask is tires are building up all over town. Now the bridge at the Harrison Avenue is ridiculous its knocking cars out of line. I have been here three times to register this compliant. Next thing is clean up letters, I got one and have no problem with it but did you send one the old burned trailer behind Ted Mays."

City Recorder Horton "I have met with Carol Ann Barron to see who owns it."

Mr. Knox "What about the old white house that belongs to John Hughes?"

City Recorder Horton "I have mailed out 25 letters."

Mr. Knox "Some of these places have looked like this for years; they need letters before some of us who received them. Like your place across from the park it's a junk yard, it's worse than mine. Did you get a letter?"

Mayor Doss "She started in a certain area, she is making her rounds."

Mr. Knox "Do you believe you will get one?"

Mayor Doss "That's up to her."

Mr. Knox "Well we all need to clean up."

(Audience Applauded)

Citizen Connie Williams "I would like to thank everyone for letting me address the board. Most of you know who I am and for those that don't my name is Connie Williams. He (husband Michael Wilson) use to be on the Graysville Fire Department at one time and as of mid-October when Chief Mike Miles and Deputy Chief Scott Wilson retired there was an agreement made by my husband Michael Wilson who was Captain over truck 1 and Mr. Burns that if they stood side by side Michael would do anything it took to keep the fire department running the way it should be ran. I heard this conversation and according to by laws when someone retires then the next person in line moves up in rank. There was supposed to be a meeting two

days later with Mayor Doss, Mr. Burns and my husband Mr. Wilson on him being promoted which turned out to be a full fledged , blown out meeting in which Mike Miles nominated Mr. Burns to be chief. We all agreed on that because we never knew what you guys had planned to do. The next day I receive text messages from Mr. Burns to tell my husband he has an officers meeting that night with Michelle Horton and Mr. Burns. All officers had to be at meeting or they were no longer an officer. I ask Mr. Burns what was wrong, was she mad that they had torn up the building, if so me and my husband were not in state during the time the building was tore up. Mr. Burns' exact words were "I'd say that's what it is; she has her panties in a wad and tell Mike he needs to be there. Now he knew that you were fixing to strip him of his captain position because he did not complete his live burn. True?"

City Recorder Horton "Your husband being removed of his captain position, yes it's a discussion I had with previous Chief Mike Miles."

Mrs. Williams "Ok also Mike Miles told my husband not to worry about that. It is not state mandated for him to have that live burn to hold an office in a volunteer department per State of Tennessee. This man has been active with fire departments for over 31 years. I have most of his qualifications from the State of Alabama. He took a 360 hour course in Alabama which there it makes him a Firefighter 1 and in Tennessee it makes him Firefighter 1 and 2. This man has never done anything to any of you all, been on every call, you can go back and check every report and his name is on it unless he was at work, I was there. Then he turns around Mr. Burns puts two people in captain positions who say they have live burn, says they been to academy but right here according to Kay, the only one ever been to academy is Daniel Friscia who in 2012 took a basic firefighter refresher class and his live burn. Robert Pilkington is another one who took basic and live burn in 2008. They are the only two out of the whole department that's even been to the academy. Mr. Burns even when he was in Walden's Ridge has never been to the academy, she has no record of him being there what so ever, so if he wants to do the ride the grandfathered in train then my husband can do the same. I wouldn't be so mad about it if I hadn't read previous meeting minutes from back in October when Mr. Burns stated and I quote "We have gotten rid of two of our problems, they are not very happy with us but everyone on fire department agreed with what we did." I have talked to members of your fire department and none of them had any knowledge of what you done till we were already gone, so you tell me how they were all in agreement with what you done. Next thing Commissioner Kaylor stated do you have assistant and captain names in mind? Mr. Burns answered yes when they ask me to be chief they also recommended for Kenny Riley to become Assistant Chief. He had told my husband in a conversation on the

phone that he would be moved up to assistant chief and by the by-laws that's the way it was supposed to have went. They go ahead and put in two people for captain position one who has no live burn or 64 hour class, the other one has no EVOC or drivers license, so how do you get the right strip this man of his captain position just because he didn't complete the live burn and it not state mandated he has to have the live burn? I have talked to the state and several instructors from the academy. I want his position back."

Mayor Doss "You can't weaken a state law but you can strengthen it. My understanding is it's a Graysville Fire Department requirement not the state.

Mrs. Williams "My understanding from the state themselves you guys cannot do that; #1. By state law Mrs. Horton all you are is a recorder, you cannot tell who can do what; you cannot strip people or tell the police chief what he can do, or tell the fire chief what he can do. By state law you are to keep up with the books and records. By state law you cannot hand over to her the authority to make all the decisions. I do have this in black and white just not with me."

City Recorder Horton "We have it in our charter. Our charter lays out how the city is ran."

Mrs. Williams "By the state of Tennessee you cannot change that charter just because Graysville is its own city. Then I read that Mr. Burns is also holding a first responder course, he made the motion to send five firefighters to the course, never was his name mentioned in the course, because he knew he has never been certified and has been expired since 2007. When Michael Wilson, Rena Reynolds and Mr. Burns went to take the state test to be a first responder two failed the test. Days later he came in with this thing in his hand saying look what I got today my first responder license, we took him at his word, it looked official, made copy of it for his file but guess what it wasn't official he never had a first responder license since 2005. I want him out and I want him gone. I know Chief Miles and Susan were not aware; they had no idea he had done this, that's why he has to take the class now."

Mrs. Williams read the following from previous meeting minutes in the past month a total of four has left the department besides Mike & Susan, the other Chief Scott Wilson. Assistant Fire Chief Burns Scott Wilson who is also a lifelong member of fire department with 20 plus years is totally out he will not respond to calls like Mike & Susan will because they are still state certified first responders in which yes they are and we only have 3 which are Mike, Susan and myself which there is another lie as he is not a first responder. A motion to accept Assistant Fire Chief Burns to now become Fire

Chief was made by Commissioner Kaylor. Commissioner Beene How many members do you have? Mr. Burns we have 15-20 active members and a few in active. Mayor Doss I would like for you and your department to set up something for Mike for retirement. Mr. Burns We are going to have cookout and get him plaque."

Mrs. Williams "That never happen they never even got invited to the Christmas dinner, per Scott Wilson. As of right now your first responder people unless its Susan or Mike are supposed to be running only CPR, but they are continuing to run calls in which some Susan has gone to but during the day they both work and are not home. So what happen to the 18 year old man back here that was having seizure and went unresponsive that no one responded too? So I ask the question; could I respond since I am CPR and AED certified, yes I could because it's under the Good Samaritan law, but I didn't want to step on anybody's toes. So I'm setting there listening to people not being taken care of because you don't have any certified first responders except Mike and Susan. Mike Miles is your only Firefighter 1 Commissioned by the State of Tennessee. To be firefighter 1 you not only have to take the live burn 64, the 16 you also have 6 other steps plus a state test to take to become firefighter 1. So the way I see it is my husband should be reinstated to his position and Mr. Burns needs to be removed for falsifying his certificate and for putting people in positions saying they do have their 64 and live burn when they have never been to academy and this information is coming from members in the department. I have talked to ten members of the department that had no idea of what Michelle and Adam had done to my husband; there was no call for it at all. Now the fire two Saturday's ago one of your members were heard cussing quite profanity like over the 800 radios, which I don't know if anything got done about that. Another member was walking around the scene after someone had been put in ambulance also cussing in front of Mr. Thacker and Mr. Kinney. Now I have been suspended for way less than that, you wanted my gear for something I put on the election page that was nowhere near the threats that have been put on Facebook about being the bigger man."

Mrs. Williams reads Facebook comments Then Mr. Burns says when you're ready to get it done let me know cause I want in. So I ask him who are threatening. He says I didn't know any part of my statement contained a threat, me threatening is none of your business thank you and God Bless. I said Adam it does contain a threat and it is my business you saying you want in on it, is that not a threat? And don't thank me I don't need your thank you and God Bless well He is on my side. Looking on later the conversation had continued with another member of your fire department and God forgive me as I read this; OMG when it goes down let me know because I will bring the snacks and drinks cause it will be better than a

movie but its kinda funny that people want to run their mouths when they are no longer part of the GVFD, we all are family so let them do what they want to do cause at the end they want have nothing and we will have each other, how dare someone "F" with my blood family, love you guys oh and Emily this is for you. Mrs. Williams "Just saying you guys are going to just let this fly after stripping my husband. Commissioner Beene he came and talked to you and ask you to do something."

Mayor Doss "Mrs. Connie I am going to take this time and ask you to sit down for a few minutes everyone here has listened to you but now I'm going to give the Chief an opportunity to tell his side of it. Chief if you will come up and start off with the certification on first responders."

Fire Chief Adam Burns "Yes I did get a letter and all I have to do is go thru a refresher course which will be next week, and that will be the end of that problem. As for the other certification on all members Michelle has a copy of all of them, none of them are falsified but I have printed some of them offline such as the FEMA certificates as they do not mail them. Not sure where she gets I falsify them as the one she is talking about is from the national registry which is current."

Mayor Doss "The five taking the class are half way thru with it at this time?"  
Fire Chief Burns "Next week is their last week."

Mayor Doss "And your projecting all five will pass?"

Fire Chief Burns "That's what I'm hoping, we are even getting study groups together and as long as they pass the state test then yes."

Mayor Doss "When I requested you to honor the chief will you touch base on that please?"

Fire Chief Burns "A week after you ask I got with Michelle and got the purchase orders to place the order with the plaque place in Hixson, however they feel thru with the deal. After calls and me going down there we still didn't get our plaques. None of our members got plaques at our Christmas dinner. We are still planning the cookout for Mike but I don't see us doing it in the winter."

Vice Mayor Reel "I have a question; when I ask Michelle about your first responder license she said she had a copy of them. I checked it out and it did expire in 2007 so yes it is correct your first responder licenses are expired."

Fire Chief Burns "Yes due to issues with paperwork."

Vice Mayor Reel "Actually the only ones we have that qualify to be first responders are Mike and Susan Miles and now Bryan Long, other than that we wouldn't have any first responders. If you respond to emergency call and you do something you shouldn't do by mistake or accident that's a law suit waiting to happen. I just don't think we should send out people who have not really got the right credentials to call themselves first responders when they don't have what it takes. So until you get those licenses I think we need to let Bryan Long, Mike and Susan Miles come back to be our first responders."

Fire Chief Burns "I'm more than happy with that, and I have talked to Daryl and 911 and it is a liability on us because they do work during the day."

Vice Mayor Reel "I don't see why anybody would be dismissed from the fire department because we need all the help we can get. If they got the training they need then we definitely need that person."

Fire Chief Burns "Let me clarify this first; we did not dismiss anyone after myself and Michelle talked about it and Mike Wilson captain position was removed he told us personally he would have his stuff there tonight. I did not ask him to leave, I did not want him to leave, I talked to him on the phone and said the exact same thing I need all the help I can get but at no time did Michelle or myself tell him he had to leave. We offered for him to go back to Bellbuckle to take the 64 hour class."

Vice Mayor Reel "Mr. Wilson would you be willing to do the 64 hour class that he is talking about?"

Mr. Wilson "I got it."

Vice Mayor Reel "What license did you give Michelle a copy of?"

Fire Chief Burns "My national registry."

Vice Mayor Reel "So not your first responder license."

Fire Chief Burns "That's part of my first responder license yes."

Vice Mayor Reel "Did they say expired because after me and Michelle spoke that night then she checked with you she said yeah they are expired. It seems to me that something went wrong there between you giving her the copy and Michelle did you overlook the date?"

City Recorder Horton "It didn't have a date on it."

Commissioner May "They do have dates on them. It works the same way as a CNA if you're not certified then you can't just go take a refresher. Yours being expired since 07 then you can't just go take a refresher test."

Fire Chief Burns "I am about done with the refresher now."

Mayor Doss "This time next month you will have them and please have Michelle put them in our packet. Any other thing you want to represent yourself on that has been spoken on."

Fire Chief Burns "It was an understanding when Mike Wilson took his position he would have a year to complete it. I was not chief then I had no say I it. So Michelle had talked to Mike and it had been almost two years and he still didn't have his certificate for it."

Commissioner May "Who in your department is certified to drive this emergency vehicles?"

Fire Chief Burns "I wasn't aware we were on that subject."

Commissioner May "Well I'm bringing it up; I would like to know who's certified to drive the emergency vehicles."

Fire Chief Burns "Everybody who has a valid driver's license and an EVOC card. The EVOC instructor is sitting right back there."

Commissioner May "Are they all EVOC certified?"

Fire Chief Burns "Except for one captain and she does not drive."

Commissioner May "Who would that be?"

Fire Chief Burns "Sandy Goins, it does not state anywhere in our by-laws or charter they have to have driver's license to be a captain."

Mayor Doss "Do you have any members on board that is handicap?"

Fire Chief Burns "Yes I do."

Mayor Doss "What's their position?"

Fire Chief Burns "That would be Charlie Hickman and his position is Assistant Safety Officer."

Mayor Doss "So he doesn't participate in fires?"

Fire Chief Burns "He does not participate in live fires or fire activity."

Mayor Doss "First Responder calls or anything like that."

Fire Chief Burns "Now he can go on calls and bless his heart he meets us anywhere in town on a call."

Mayor Doss "Anybody else have a disability type tag on their vehicle that you're aware of?"

Fire Chief Burns "I don't believe so."

Mayor Doss "If you would please check on that for risk management to see what each person can do? If they get on a scene and their already disable then we may be at risk for that also."

Fire Chief Burns "It says right here. Are there any exemptions from the 64 hour class. Yes there is two; any firefighter who is certified by a medical Dr. to be medically or physically unable to complete the training requirements is exempt or any firefighter who is certified by a fire department chief officer, which would be me or Kenny Riley not to operate within an environment deem to be immediately dangerous to life and health is exempt from live firefighting portion of the training. The captain I have now does not go into a house fire; I have 40 other members on my roster that do that."

Mayor Doss "So you have went from 15 to 40 people."

Fire Chief Burns "Yes I have."

Mayor Doss "Ok I'm going to go back to one of the things Mrs. Connie brought up. I was the one who called the meeting when I found out Mike was retiring. Mike came in an reaffirmed he was retiring and then we made a recommendation vote to bring to the board and Mike recommended you to be the chief. I know how many people voted it was unanimous everybody wanted you as chief that night. Then to be assistant chief it was a three way vote and Mr. Riley got the majority. That is why it was recommended to the board at that time.

Fire Chief Burns "Where she said I can ride the grandfathered in train, I

had my live burn in 2001 my certificate from Hamilton County Emergency Service."

Vice Mayor Reel "Looking at the January report it says there were 8 medical calls, medical emergency 3, who responded to those?"

Fire Chief Burns "Various people."

Vice Mayor Reel "First Responders I hope."

Fire Chief Burns "Susan was at part of them."

First Responder Susan Miles "I do respond when I'm available with personal issues I don't get to as often as I would like but I do when I can."

Mayor Doss "And we appreciate that."

Vice Mayor Reel "Yes we appreciate that."

Mayor Doss "Any other questions from the board?"

Commissioner May "Michelle you said the police are certified as first responders."

City Recorder Horton "Ask Chief Redden if his officers carry and have been trained on the first responder bag."

Police Chief Redden "Yep."

Commissioner May "Well Redden I have your paperwork here and it says your close but you're unapproved for certification for first responders."

Police Chief Redden "Are you talking to me?"

Commissioner May "Yes."

Police Chief Redden "As far as first responders their aspect is gray. But as police officers if you will research that you will see all police officers are. It's not the same medical training its emergency only, that's it."

Commissioner May "But you showed me in the back of your car you have everything you need to do the AED but you're not medically trained?"

Police Chief Redden "Not in their aspect."

Commissioner May "The machines they carry are more less the same machine your carrying right?"

Police Chief Redden "That's correct."

Commissioner May "So here we go; who's certified and who isn't?"

Police Chief Redden "All police officers who go thru the academy are CPR, AED and all that. We just don't go thru the state registry and all that."

Officer David Boyd "I'm a certified EMT the AED bag is in my car."

Commissioner May "But you're not always here, just like Susan when she isn't always here. That's what I'm saying who is certified and who isn't."

Mayor Doss "I'm going to ask Michelle to get with MTAS and have them put in writing on their letterhead to what extent a certified police officer can do for us and we can have it at the next board meeting."

Citizen Samantha Redden "Isn't it anyone certified in CPR/AED is allowed to use the machine, so I can use it because I'm certified."

Fire Chief Burns "I would like to say I have one firefighter who is in EMT class now, who will be graduating the first part of May."

Mayor Doss "I know with volunteers it's going to go up and down as they move or go to another department as we have lost a few to Dayton."

Fire Chief Burns "I appreciate everything Mike did but its stronger now than we have ever been as I have 40 plus members who all are willing to train. We have the 16 hour introductory class set up next week for all new members, even thou it's not required thru MTAS they have it they are wanting to do it. To me that shows a lot of heart for them taking 16 hours out of their life to train."

Mayor Doss "Mrs. Connie is there anything you would like to go forward with?"

Mrs. Williams "I would just like to give you a letter from the local academy saying Mr. Burns has never been to academy, does not have live burn, and does not have 64. My husband wants his position; I want to know why when I heard Mr. Burns promise my husband the assistant chief position and according to the by-laws I read when one retires the others move up in rank if they have the qualifications in which Michael does. Why was he lied to just

to get him into the meeting that was supposed to be an all officer meeting when Mr. Riley had no clue there was a meeting being held that night. Why was he stripped with no state law saying he has to have live burn to hold an office at a volunteer department? I want to know what Mr. Wilson did so badly to you people for you to do that to him, if you're after me get me leave him out of it."

Mayor Doss "The fire department don't come to us and ask to recruit members I think with him being new he sat down with Michelle and they worked together to talk to Mike about it and action was taken as my understanding was that he resigned."

Mrs. Williams "No he did not he was stripped."

Mayor Doss "I don't think this board has the right to place people on the fire department, that's for them to decide. Who ask you to be on the department, did you come before the board?"

Mrs. Williams "I volunteered, we didn't have to come before the board."

Mayor Doss "That's my understanding we don't place people on fire department."

Mrs. Williams "What did we do, I understand me as I speak my mind but the way I was told Chief Miles told me if I wasn't pissing people off then I wasn't doing my job. Again what gave her the right to strip my husband position that's what I want to know? He has more training then any of them."

Mayor Doss "I understand but it's the chiefs decision and he worked with Michelle that day as he was new, this board doesn't have to approve people to be on the fire department."

Mrs. Williams "I understand you weren't there but for me to get texted when it was none of my business; Michael should have been texted from Mr. Burns saying he better be there for officers meeting and all it was for to get him there as a ploy to get him there to strip him. You guys expected him to stay as a fireman when he worked 4-5 years as a captain who made every call, there were four of us who saved a mobile home, but yet this one over here went down in flames with five companies or better there."

Mayor Doss "My understanding on it was they made 5 calls on cell phone and they went to Graysville, GA just the same as the one in Sunnydale."

Mrs. Williams "What's going to come out of this, I mean are just sitting there looking at me?"

City Recorder Horton "I explained to Mike Wilson that night why his position was taken and as you said you didn't understand why you received text pertaining to him, I'm curious as to why he isn't addressing the board since it's him wanting his position instead of you talking for him."

Mrs. Williams "He came to you on Monday."

City Recorder Horton "He did and I spoke to him about this, we covered the whole thing. He was saying we kicked him off the department and I ask him did you not quite and he said he did."

Mrs. Williams "No, no he did not."

City Recorder Horton "Yes he did, he resigned his position from the fire department."

Mrs. Williams "He didn't resign his captain position."

City Recorder Horton "He did not that was something worked out with Chief Miles, several times we had discussed it. I'm explaining if you will hold your peace like we did ours so I can explain. I had spoken with Chief Miles several times regarding this. My understanding is Chief Miles and Assistant Chief Scott Wilson spoke to Mike Wilson informing him he had a year to complete live burn or he would lose his captain position. When he did not complete the class due to health issues and changing of the chief I called him in and ask him about the class. We ask him if he would be willing to retake the live burn, so we didn't just strip him of his position and kick him off. There was a lot that went into this and you weren't in the room that night it was me, Adam and Mike Wilson we were not forceful with him we were understanding and went thru what we had been told. He had a year to complete it and if not completed he would lose his captain position and when I ask him if that was the agreement he verified yes that was the agreement."

Mrs. Williams "I happen to be there that night with Michael Wilson and Mike Miles when Michael Wilson confronted Miles over that and Miles told him not to worry about it at this time, next thing I know you were stripping my husband which should have Mr. Burns not you if he wanted it done, so I want to know what's going to be done about it, as I am not done with it, this is not over by far? And Mr. Doss I talked to you the other day about that water thing and you have not been to my property and put no new meter in my property has not been touched."

Public Works Director Gary Doss "I was at your property this morning."

Mrs. Williams "Maybe you were today but the other day you said you had been there and dug up to put new meters in."

Public Works Director Doss "Three weeks ago I was there and took your meter out; put new one in and same thing so I put your meter back in."

Mrs. Williams "My ground has not been touched."

Public Works Director Doss "You have good pressure going into meter and have 42 pounds at your home."

Mrs. Williams "It looks like I'm talking to a wall."

Vice Mayor Reel "I have read the stuff on Facebook and I really don't think the fire department or anybody should be posting this nonsense on Facebook."

Mrs. Williams "No I was suspended for that and it wasn't even near what that was. I mean come on"

Vice Mayor Reel "I know if I was to post stuff about things at the school I would lose my job over it, that's one of the rules; you don't post your dirty laundry or anything about the fire department, or kids at the school. If you got an argument settle amongst yourself because it looks bad on yall. That is bad publicity for the fire department, I would say it just something that shouldn't be done."

Mrs. Williams "It don't look good when someone post the 'F' bomb and wants to bring snacks cause it's going to be better than a movie, but the next day this person called my husband and had a conversation with him and apologized for throwing the initial threat and that he had heard he was after him and Mike said it has nothing to do with you."

Mayor Doss "Does anyone on the board have any action to do with any of this that she is requesting or a motion to do something or anything at all if not let's move forward to see if anybody else has anything?"

Vice Mayor Reel "Well if he wanted to be back on the fire department then I don't see that should be a problem."

Mayor Doss "That's up to fire department it's not up to us as we have never put anyone on the fire department thru the board."

Mrs. Williams "I still haven't gotten my question answered; it just keeps going around in a circle. I understand my husband had a conversation with former Chief Miles, I understand that he didn't have to worry about it at that time."

Commissioner May "Do we have policies on the fire department?"

City Recorder Horton "Yes we do, we have by laws."

Commissioner May "I'll make a motion to check over the policies/by laws to see what we can do."

Mrs. Williams "Please do, this wasn't right."

Vice Mayor Reel "I'll second that."

Mrs. Williams "When this man came in to get his gear you would have thought you took his kid, tears were rolling down his eyes in the years we been married I have never seen him cry. You have stripped him of something he worked so hard for, so I'm done but it's far from over. I have been talking to the state and no this is not going to fly, and you are supposed to be taking care of only records, minutes and that, you cannot take the authority to tell him what to do it is your (the board's) position. I have papers on the way and again this is far from over. He will get his position back the right way or the hard way; whichever way you guys want to take it."

Commissioner Kaylor "To clarify what you just said the mayor does not tell her what to do either, this board as a whole does the mayor does not have that authority, we as a board do. Our charter says as a whole we each have the same authority. Are you an acting member of the fire department now?"

Mrs. Williams "No not anymore thanks to Michelle and you can sit and smile."

Commissioner Kaylor "Are you not on the county fire department?"

Mrs. Williams "I'm not divulging that information."

Commissioner Kaylor "I had heard you were."

Mrs. Williams "Yeah I was but after I decided to take on this fight after getting suspended for 30 days again, I decided it was time to hang my helmet up, because this is going to be fixed as this man didn't deserve what he got."

Mayor Doss "We got a motion and a second on the floor if you would please repeat your motion?"

A motion to check over the policies/by laws of the fire department to see what we can do was made by Commissioner May; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vice Mayor Reel. Motion carried 5-0

Mrs. Williams "I would also like for you to check his qualifications."

Citizen Brent Keylon "About this grant you said the ambulance service would be renting part of the building, are they signing a contract to rent the building?"

Mayor Doss "They've been looking at the south side for a long time but he didn't want to invest thousands of dollars. He is willing to do the \$6,000.00 a year."

Mr. Keylon "They were talking about your place for the clean-up letters. You said they done some parts of the city well I got one for a block above you and a block below you, so how did they separate just one block?"

City Recorder Horton "I went up Long Street, came down Pikeville Avenue then hit Miller Street and back down Long Street. I was zig zagging everywhere, there were some on the other side of town. There were target areas that had been complained about.

Mayor Doss "I told her if Jeff needs a letter send him one."

City Recorder Horton "It's not that he is avoiding getting a letter cause he has told me send one if needed but I'm doing the targeted areas first."

Mr. Knox "I been complaining about it for three months."

Mayor Doss "You complained about the trailer one month."

Mr. Knox "I said your property looks like trash up there."

Mr. Keylon "Would it too much more to explain what the issues are instead of just saying codes?"

City Recorder Horton "When I spoke to Carol Ann she said to also put a copy of the code in with the letters."

Mr. Keylon "If one has to walk thru that thing back there why doesn't everyone?"

Mayor Doss" From this day forward everyone goes thru it, does the board feel the same?"

Mrs. Williams "Cleaning up you should check out Lambert Lane."

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

Submitted by: Amanda Sulcer

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Mayor, Ted Doss

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City Recorder, Michelle Horton

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