

Graysville Board of Mayor and Commissioners
Graysville Municipal Building
October 9, 2014 7:00 p.m.

Call to order by Mayor Ted Doss

Prayer led by Mayor Doss

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Roll Call:

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

Approval of September 11, 2014 Minutes

Minutes were not ready at this time.

A motion to pass on number three item till next meeting was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2nd by Mayor Doss. Motion carried 5-0.

Communications from Mayor and Commissioners

Commissioner Beene "I got two mayor I was just going to give everybody an opportunity: Anybody know what Monday is?"

City Recorder Tracey Pankey "Columbus Day."

Commissioner Beene "I think we need to have the city closed, everyone else is from what I understand. We use to be off so I would like the board to consider closing city hall and letting them off with pay."

Mayor Doss "Under discussion when did we change it and what did we put in its place?"

Commissioner Beene "Two or three years ago mayor I just remember they swapped it for another holiday but I don't remember which one it was."

Vice Mayor Reel "I think it might have been parade day the half day they take off for the parade. Maybe switch it back this way they get full day's pay instead of half a day."

A motion to close for Columbus Day with pay was made by Commissioner Beene; 2nd by Vice Mayor Reel. Motion carried 5-0

Mayor Doss "I'm sorry it just hit me we have to go back and put that on the agenda. I'm sorry just to make it legal."

A motion to amend agenda to add being closed for Columbus Day was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner Kaylor. Motion carried 5-0

Mayor Doss "If you go back thru with the vote please."

A motion to close for Columbus Day with pay was made by Commissioner Beene; 2nd by Vice Mayor Reel. Motion carried 5-0

Commissioner Beene "Next is when you mentioned there about us taking the authority away from our department heads we need to look at giving some of that authority back like the hiring and firing and day to day operations because they need a little bit more control over employees to much stuff going on that I keep hearing about and we need to discuss that, if you want to do it in a workshop or in a regular meeting would be fine but we need to look at that real strongly."

Consent Agenda

Reports from Kristopher's Kingdom, Water Department, Fire Department Report & Mileage, Police Department Reports, 2015 Budget Letter, \$170, 000 Fire Hall Debt Obligation, \$300, 000 Street Debt Obligation.

A motion to accept the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2nd by Mayor Doss. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business

Officer Rick Anderson

A motion to put Rick Anderson back at full time officer with back pay, the camera be hooked back up in evidence room with him having a key to evidence room was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner Kaylor.

Mayor Doss "Any discussion? Like I said last month I believe he was wrongfully put down to part time. I don't think the chief has the power to do that since this board took the power to do that away from all department heads, so I don't think he had the power to do that. Gary couldn't put anybody that he has got or anybody else here. With him being part of the investigation I feel like its due cause for him to be put back on full time. The police department in two weeks' time worked 76.75 hours overtime, two week period of time. Any farther discussion?"

Commissioner May "Wasn't I under the impression that you turned it over to the DA. Did you turn it over to the DA?"

Mayor Doss "Turn what over to the DA?"

Commissioner May "When this all came about having them look at it to see if it was wrongful doings?"

Mayor Doss "No what you turned over to the DA was about him being looked at about the case that he was accused of at the time and the chief decided not to take it to the DA that they would just do it in house and that is when he was put down to part time. So again the chief did what he wanted to do by putting him down to part time instead of doing what we told him to do by taking it to DA."

Commissioner May "But don't you think it needs to go to the DA to see if anything was done wrong?"

Mayor Doss "That's what we told him to do but he chose not to, he chose to put him down to part time and hasn't worked him a hour since then. But yet the officers working here worked 76.75 hours over time in two weeks."

Commissioner Kaylor "It would cut out on the time and half pay putting him back to work."

Mayor Doss "Any questions for him as he is here tonight?"

Commissioner Beene "I got a lot of questions but I want attorney present, we got legal questions here mayor that we need to discuss so we need an attorney hired and we do have an application."

Mayor Doss "Okay I have a motion on the table any farther discussion on it, if not roll call."

Motion failed 3-2. Commissioner May, Commissioner Beene and Vice Mayor Reel voting No. Commissioner Kaylor and Mayor Doss voting yes.

Mayor Doss "Let it be noted."

Applications for Attorney & Judge

Mayor Doss "What's the gentlemen's name from Pikeville?"

City Recorder Pankey "Ed Boring."

Mayor Doss "Is that who you're talking about Andy?"

Commissioner Beene "That's the only one we got officially that I know of."

City Recorder Pankey "Yes."

Commissioner Kaylor "Does he have a law degree?"

Commissioner Beene "Yes he is the attorney for two cities, Pikeville and Spencer."

Mayor Doss "Under discussion here before we go to hiring somebody we probably need to know what the fees are going to be, whether or not he is able to come to the meetings on the second Thursdays. Most of us know what we were paying our other attorney, if he is going to charge to come to meetings and how much it is and if he has a retainer fee, stuff like that."

Commissioner Beene "Get the city recorder to contact him and get a date he can come over and us talk to him."

Mayor Doss "Yes if she will get a date and we can call a special called meeting with him and get back to us because we can't have a closed meeting because we don't have an attorney."

City Recorder Pankey "Yes sir."

Electric Power Board

Mayor Doss "I have had a request up on Sixth Street for a streetlight north of Newberry's."

Commissioner Beene "Also on College Street work that one in to."

Fire Hall Grant

Mayor Doss "We opened the bids and it was way over bid, therefor my recommendation is we reject the bid and resubmit it. I have set down with Mike Miles and a couple of city employees they are willing to let us build a shell and we go in and put the walls ourselves to try and cut cost."

A motion to reject the bid was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner Kaylor. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Beene "I would like to know what they lowest bid was mayor?"

Mayor Doss "876,000.00 there about."

SRTS (Safe Route to School)

Mayor Doss "It came to pass hasn't it."

Vice Mayor Reel "Yes."

Commissioner Beene "It already come and gone."

Park Pavilion

Commissioner Beene "I had a citizen ask about that and I think the park committee is interested in it. We need to get with park committee and get a design on it and get bids on that because all it's not even a shell just a roof. Don't forget Senior BINGO Saturday at 6pm."

Vacation Pay – Time Off

Mayor Doss "Nothing."

New Business

Local Government Software

City Recorder Pankey "Local Government sent me an email saying that as of 2015 we will no longer be compatible with them they have sent me a paper saying it will be \$1,200.00 to come and do training and transition over to the new software. If not we may be more out for viruses and things like that if we don't switch over."

Mayor Doss "So your recommendation is that we switch over?"

City Recorder Pankey "I do."

A motion to accept the cost of Local Government software was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2nd by Vice Mayor Reel. Motion carried 5-0.

Roadblock for Wayne Dotson November 1, 2014 (Ted May)

Mayor Doss "We have found out this person has moved so they will not need a roadblock."

Fire Department Applications

Mayor Doss "There was two applications submitted does everybody have that?"

Commissioner May "Did we get them in our packets?"

Mayor Doss "We will go on to more business if you will try and get Mike and five copies of who it is? We will come back to this."

A motion to let Daniel and Connie back on fire department was made by Commissioner Beene. There is still a 90 probation period; I believe anybody deserves a second chance.

2nd by Vice Mayor Reel.

Mayor Doss "Any farther discussion?"

Commissioner Kaylor "Mike is this from your people?"

Fire Chief Mike Miles "Yes and their ninety days start tonight (10/10/2014)."

Motion carried 3-2. Vice Mayor Reel, Commissioner Beene and Commissioner May voting Yes.

Commissioner Kaylor "I will be Abstaining."

Mayor Doss "I will Abstain also due to the vote that the fire department had."

Webmaster

Mayor Doss "I got a gentleman who does the Rhea Review, he sets up and host websites. We have contacted the webmaster now and he will wait till we get somebody but he is not going to wait forever. This gentleman Elmer Harris he runs quite a few in Rhea County his fee to set this one up is \$1,500.00 and then \$50.00 a month."

Commissioner Kaylor "What did we have in budget for this?"

Commissioner Beene "I don't think we had that much because we have it set up already."

Commissioner Kaylor "We would need to amend the budget if we do."

Mayor Doss "Which is easily done as we know but we are going to have to do something as there has been nobody step out of wood work to take it on. If he shuts it down then we don't have anything

Vice Mayor Reel "I think we should table this until we check on some more prices because I think we can get this cheaper."

Mayor Doss "Everybody agree with this?"

Commissioner Kaylor "How long is this man waiting?"

Mayor Doss "I don't know."

City Recorder Pankey "I spoke with him and he said that he would be willing to hold off for a little while and would be willing to train the new person we got but all he said was a little while not anything specific."

Commissioner Kaylor "Check with him and see if he will wait another month if not we may need to add that to the meeting we have."

Commissioner Beene "We may need to bid it out if he wants \$1500.00 for it anyway."

Mayor Doss "Andy if your saying we need to bid it out are you suggesting that we advertise it?"

Commissioner Beene "You can do word of mouth it sounds like you're doing good by just spreading around."

Mayor Doss "Let's just put it on agenda for special called meeting."

Wounded Warrior Project Donation

A motion to donate \$500.00 to the Wounded Warrior Project was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Vice Mayor Reel. Motion carried 5-0.

Single Wide Trailers

Vice Mayor Reel "I have a question on that, if a person already owns a single wide trailer park are they not allowed to put more single wide trailers in that trailer park?"

Mayor Doss "No depending on the location thru the zoning. If it's a R1, R2 or R3 and that's something Michael Frixen can explain in depth. If they tell you that you can put a double wide in then that's what you can put in there. Down on Dayton Avenue they had to get a variance to put single wide in."

Vice Mayor Reel "Is there any place in Graysville that's zoned for single wides?"

Mayor Doss "Yes."

Vice Mayor Reel "And where would that be? I think Aqua Street I think that's one of them."

Commissioner Beene "We need a map at every meeting so we can reference it because I don't remember all the location myself but there are some locations for single wides."

Brent Keylon "Sunnydale."

Mr. Knox "Can I come up and speak?"

Mayor Doss "Yes sir."

Mr. Knox "First off you all are the elected officials of Graysville right? You do make the rules and regulations it's your power you are the rule makers, not the zoning board not the planning commission? They bring you ideals they are not the ones to tell us what to do, yall are."

Mayor Doss "About two years ago this board passed the zoning."

Mr. Knox "I understand that two years look at the mobile home and stuff that can't come into town, single wide's is what I'm getting at. If people want to move in with single wide they can't. This fellow over here on Hickman Lane now why burden and tax him down with all the money he has put in that park over there he can't put single wide in a new spot. Up here on Knox Street I can't put a new lot in there it's got to have a double wide instead of single wide, why?"

Vice Mayor Reel "See that doesn't make sense to me if there's already single wide's there what's one more going to hurt?"

Mr. Knox "I feel for the man over on Hickman Lane for the money they invested in that property now they can't put up a single wide in a new spot. We the people in Graysville we want to be allowed to put single wide's on our property and that's what we are coming to you for. No matter whom it is if we want to own a single wide we should be able to put it on our property. That's what we are asking you tonight to do away with this ban on single wide's to allow single wide's wherever we want to put them on our property. I ask yall three or four months ago about if anybody was really against it everyone said they had no problem except for Kaylor he was the only one who said he had a problem with it and he lives in a doublewide, I don't know what his problem is if he lives in a trailer if he don't like it move out, that's what I would do. I own property, I pay property tax and Jerry Burton does and Jimmy Shipley and others here in this town own mobile home parks and you tell us we can't have a single wide or someone moving into town wants to buy a piece of property and put a single wide. We are no big outfit or big city we are all just common people here and we all need a place to live. You

are forcing poor people to go live under a rock, or out in storage sheds so why can't we have the ok to put single wide's in? You aint proved nothing by doing away with them except making the town people angry."

Mayor Doss "I think if that's what the board wants to do they can. They have to go thru it by proper steps not just make a motion and do it.

Mr. Knox "You can make a motion tonight to start it, to abolish that rule. Set here and do nothing and it goes nowhere. You got the opportunity tonight to make motion to abolish it."

Vice Mayor Reel "Well I'll make that motion."

A motion to abolish the zoning rule was made by Vice Mayor Reel."

Commissioner May "Ill second it."

Commissioner Kaylor "Is that on the agenda mayor?"

Mayor Doss "Single Wide Trailers of course there was no explanation on what it was about so I guess that's how you get it in here."

Commissioner Kaylor "Ok."

Vice Mayor Reel "That's the way a lot of stuff gets put on there."

Mayor Doss "I agree."

Motion carried 3-2. Vice Mayor Reel, Commissioner Beene and Commissioner May voting Yes. Commissioner Kaylor and Mayor Doss voting No.

Mayor Doss "So you will have to set up a workshop with Michael Frixen, you may want to do it with the planning commission as it's their job to work on that."

Communications from citizens

Frieda Gadd "I just want to know who is on the zoning commission."

Mayor Doss "Okay I'm revamping that so right now I only have Kay Thurman on there. We are also changing some things on the planning commission."

Mrs. Gadd "Is this the only one on the zoning commission right now, Kay Thurman?"

Mayor Doss "Yes ma am."

Mrs. Gadd "Okay thank you."

Rosezella Welch "I'm here on behalf of my sister Tammy Wilson. She was the lady the \$4,000.00 came up missing from. Our family has been very quiet about the whole situation trying not to bring up anything about it, trying to do it legally and trying to find out what's going on with everything. My sister showed proof that the money came from an inheritance. Graysville keeps saying they are going to give the money back, they lost it and then they found it, blah blah blah. We want to know when this is going to be taken care of. She has five children; one is an adult and four smaller children. Due to a lot of circumstances from this and other things my sister committed suicide; I think her children have suffered enough. I want Graysville to look at three of her children back here that need that money. They have an eighty year old grandfather having to raise them. Not one person has called our family about any of this and so people will understand and know I am the person that went to Mike Taylor about the whole situation myself the day it happen. We want answers; can anybody give us any answers?"

Mayor Doss "First of all ma am I'm sorry for your loss and I apologize for any hard feelings you have towards this board or Graysville."

Mrs. Welch "It's not that we have hard feelings towards Graysville itself, it's the officer that did this and have gotten by with it so far we do have a problem with that. I was a correctional officer and that's not how we work, that's not things you do, you're supposed to up hold the law not break it."

Mayor Doss "I don't know the steps that need to be taken since it's still an open case. Because of that case there is another case that's pending and I don't know if that's the reason. Have you talked to the DA in the last couple of months?"

Mrs. Welch "No the last we spoke was that Graysville was supposed to give the family the money and vehicle back and we haven't heard anything."

Mayor Doss "Does the police department want to address this?"

Police Chief Erik Redden "Last I heard it was still with the state once they make the decision we will do whatever they say."

Mayor Doss "Right now we don't have an attorney representing the city, personally I'll try to make some phone calls and try to get this resolved for you."

Commissioner Kaylor "Need to expedite that so these children can have their money."

Mrs. Welch "They need it, they deserve it. It was proved that it was inheritance money it wasn't drug money and we have witnesses we know the lady who cashed the checks for her, my sister showed proof of all of it and she was here multiple times before she killed herself trying to get it, she couldn't even buy for her kids for Christmas. You all don't need that money they do."

Commissioner Kaylor "I agree."

Mayor Doss "Yes ma am."

Mrs. Welch "Thank you."

Kay Thurman "It infuriates me as a citizen of this town that the money wasn't given to her children. I don't think anybody in this town agrees with that money being held from her children. With that being said we are working on a Veterans wall in the library and it's time to let all the veterans in Graysville know we are looking for 8x10 pictures for it. Mr. Johnny Harwood inspired the wall and they ask me to help. My next concern is we are a flood town and we have got to insist the county executive clean out the creeks because there are still people getting flooded. And one last thing; it makes me shake with anger that these people don't have that money, it's ridiculous it's a sin that this is the case."

Mayor Doss "Thank you ma am."

Jerry Burton "I'm just here on a follow up from planning commission meeting. I was told that it would come to this board about the mobile homes."

Mayor Doss "It's on here."

Mr. Burton "Okay I'll see what you have to say."

Mayor Doss "Thank you sir."

Mayor Doss "I was looking at the sign-up sheet and Mike Knox signed it at the very bottom and I just seen it two or three minutes ago. I apologize for not getting you earlier I just didn't look down at bottom of the sheet."

Mike Knox "Yeah I know."

Mayor Doss "I didn't."

Mr. Knox "I know. I ask you a couple months ago about people living in sheds, if we are allowed to put these storage sheds behind our homes and let people live in them was you able to check on that? Are they supposed to have a separate water meter coming to their place?"

Mayor Doss "No I didn't check on it that was a conversation that we had."

Mr. Knox "And I ask you to check it to look into it. Are we supposed to be living in these sheds, are we putting separate water meters to them since they are different places."

Mayor Doss "Well can you enlighten us on what you're talking about?"

Mr. Knox "Well if I'm living in my house and I got a storage shed out back and I'm letting somebody live in it, they are living there turned it into a house and she, a regular storage shed do I need a meter to that place? Am I allowed to let people live in it?"

Mayor Doss "We will get the recorder to check into it with either MTAS or Michael Frixen."

Commissioner Beene "Or Warren Nevad either one of them would be able to enlighten us on it."

Vice Mayor Reel "If we can't let them live in single wide trailer how can we let them live in a storage building?"

Mr. Knox "I took it that I was on the agenda for Mobile Home Park and Wounded Warriors I'm glad you went ahead and donated to them. On the streets you will save a lot of money if you put weed killer on them a couple times a year. You're talking about street lights out on Veronica Lane there is no street light out there except for the one I put out there, I think you need to put one out there. Can I come back on the mobile homes, is it on the agenda?"

Mayor Doss "Yes."

Mr. Knox "I would like to speak when it comes up."

Mayor Doss "Okay."

Jimmy Shipley "The only place allowed is on Aqua Street, my lawyer is Howard Upchurch he said there have been some put in how you stop somebody, he said you can't stop me. I got a place and I don't want to put single wide I want to put double wide but the people wanting to put them in what's it hurting? There's done been one or two come in and you can't stop it you need to check on that. Howard Upchurch tells me you done messed up, you done let a couple in places that is not even zoned for. Who are you hurting you're not hurting me."

Jerry Burton "I was in front of the planning commission in 2008, had approval on Dayton Avenue for single wide mobile homes. I didn't do it in time and I have been told there is a year limitation but where's that?"

Mayor Doss "Right here."

Mr. Burton "It's not on the park rules. That just talks about if you take mobile homes out."

Mayor Doss "Keep reading."

Mr. Burton "Or discontinuance, I didn't even start so you can't discontinue."

Mayor Doss "My understanding at the meeting was that you came to planning commission and ask them to do it so that's a continuation. When did you get permission to do it?"

Mr. Burton "It was in the end of 2008 or first of 2009 I don't know for sure."

Mayor Doss "Okay so that's when you started it."

Mr. Burton "Right."

Mayor Doss "Okay that's what Mr. Frixen has looked up and gave us to let you be aware that you had a year. You had 12 full months to go to the next step and you chose not to."

Mr. Burton "Well we will just try it again."

Mayor Doss "Thank you."

Mayor Doss "Something else on here we need to read so if you will resend your motion?"

Commissioner Kaylor "Resend."

Mayor Doss "Okay if you will read it."

City Recorder Pankey "It's an ordinance to amend the annual budget for the fiscal year 2014 – 2015. Whereas Tennessee Code Annotated Title 9 Chapter 1 Section 116 requires funds first be appropriated before being expended and that no appropriations may exceed available funds. Whereas Tennessee Code Annotated Title 6 Chapter 56 Section 208 allows amendment of the budget ordinance in the same manner as any other ordinance may be amended. Whereas funds for the library were not appropriated at the same or greater level as the previous year in accordance with the regional library system maintenance of effort (MOE) guidelines. Now therefore be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of Graysville, Tennessee that Section 1: Appropriations. The governing body appropriates the following increases: New appropriations:

	Amended Budget	Original Budget	Difference
Office Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Operating Supplies	\$5,800.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,300.00
Total			\$4,300.00

A motion to amend the library budget was made by Commissioner Beene; 2nd by Commissioner May. Motion carried 5-0.

Linda Kaylor "Next door to us they are putting in apartments and down on College Street and I guarantee this city is going to get more tax dollars out of those apartments then you are a single wide. I bet I pay more taxes on my house then some do on their trailer parks. All I have heard "we pay taxes" well so do the rest of us, let's get something in here that's going to pay taxes like the apartments. Ted how much did you say the apartments are worth?"

Mayor Doss "Each one is \$49,000.00."

Mrs. Kaylor "That would be a lot of taxes dollars wouldn't it? I did have a single wide on my property and I think it might have been 60-80 dollars a year taxes, that's the difference that's why we need some tax income in this town we are never going to grow. Yes you have landlords here tonight that want you to change it, Andy and you can say you didn't and you're probably going to tell me you didn't but you told me you would be ok if we never let

another trailer move into Graysville when we were trying to pass the zoning those were the words out of your mouth.”

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2nd by Vice Mayor Reel. Motion carried 5-0.

Submitted by: Amanda Sulcer

Mayor, Ted Doss

City Recorder, Michelle Horton

Date