

Graysville Board of Mayor and Commissioners
Graysville Municipal Building
February 10, 2015 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 Minutes for January 13, 2015

A motion to accept January 13, 2015 was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner Kaylor. Motion carried 4-1. Vice Mayor Reel Abstained.

Communications from Mayor and Commissioners

Vice Mayor Reel "Have we got Rapid Cast in place yet or still working on that?"

City Recorder Tracey Pankey "Working on it."

Commissioner Beene "Can anyone update us on activities for this weekend? I don't remember times and dates, Amanda's good at that."

Municipal Clerk Amanda Sulcer "Yes the kids event is Saturday and the seniors is on Friday and they both start at 6pm at the park."

Consent Agenda

Reports from Kristopher's Kingdom, Water Department and Library.

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

Old Business

Auction of Vehicles

Mayor Doss "We have voted to auction off the cars back here and I was talking to police department and they didn't have but one police cars on there so my thought is lets go ahead and sell all of the old police cars that's

dead out there, that will make it a total of seven vehicles we put on GovDeals. That should give them plenty of money to put fence around lot."

A motion to add two police cars to list for total of seven cars to be auctioned on GovDeals was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner May. Motion carried 5-0.

New Sign at Lone Mountain Cemetery

Mayor Doss "I have tried numerous times to get ahold of General Shale and I haven't found out anything so we can either take sign that's up there and get it redone or give me another month to talk to the brick company."

Commissioner Kaylor "If board will let us I would like to have another month as I think a brick one would look good up there."

Commissioner May "I agree."

Mayor Doss "Table till I talk to General Shale put it as old business next month."

Election Commission Absentee Ballot Ordinance

Mayor Doss "We have that in front of us now, everyone look over it."

A motion to accept ordinance 2015-2 was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2nd by Mayor Doss. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Doss "Now we will have to have a second reading on this and a public hearing also. So if we wait till next month we can have both at that time."

Paving

Mayor Doss "Gary if you will give any update on the paving and the ditches and stuff like that?"

Public Works Director Gary Doss "I haven't heard anything like I said the guy told me when they fire the plant back up they will get down here and get us fixed up."

Drainage System Update

Public Works Director Doss "I would like to thank the fire department they got together and went out blowing culverts out and the guys have been cleaning up the rubbish from where culverts were cleaned out."

Red Light at Hickman Lane and Hwy 27

Mayor Doss "Tracey has a list of names of who to send letters to let them know the situation we are in and I don't know if you have contacted all of them or not."

City Recorder Pankey "I have not contacted all of them I'm in the process of it."

Commissioner Kaylor "On that situation right there we might want to contact Northfolk Southern Corporation because if a red light goes there as close as the tracks are it's a possibility they may kick in some money to help on that."

Court Clerk

Vice Mayor Reel "Do we have anymore applications been turned in for that?"

City Recorder Pankey "No and the two that were turned in were not good candidates for it for different reasons. The city is losing money continuing to not have a court clerk by having to run ads in the paper, paying for drug screens, background checks and things like that. I would like to reinstate Michele Yearwood as our court clerk to keep the city from losing any more money trying to keep someone in here. Two applicants in all these months and that's all we had and neither of them panned out. So I would like to reinstate Michele Yearwood as our court clerk."

Commissioner Kaylor "You have that power."

Mayor Doss "My thoughts is we give recorder full power back so if that's your choice, any other questions?"

New Business

Trees on Pikeville Avenue and Long Street

Mayor Doss "Some of trees have been trimmed but I don't think it was all of the ones, is that right?"

Commissioner Beene "Yes, bus drivers said limbs were interfering with their driving up and down Long Street and Pikeville Avenue. If Gary could get his guys to check them out as we have trimmed trees in the past."

Mayor Doss "If they are owned by citizens we need to let them know first and give them ample time to do it and if not then we could do it or contract it out. We have butchered some in the past but the landowner knew ahead of time. Do you know where they are at Andy? Gary do you know where they are at?"

Public Works Director Doss "No I have rode Long Street and Pikeville Avenue and I don't see anything that could be interfering with buses unless it is in the ditch but I will be more than happy to go cut them once the property owners have been notified."

Mr. & Mrs. Randy Denson Trailer on Pikeville Avenue

Mayor Doss "Mr. & Mrs. Randy Denson if you will come up please? You came in front of planning commission about your property your wanting to put a single wide and you're in a R1 which doesn't allow single wide's, so the planning commission has ask that this board would take this under consideration. Since that planning commission meeting I have thought about it and if the board agrees with me instead of going several months of putting you in rezoning I think we have the power to give a variance to where you can put it in there. Is that correct?"

City Attorney Ed Boring "Do you folks have someone who administers that thru your planning commission?"

Mayor Doss "Michael Frixen."

City Attorney Boring "What's he say on that mayor?"

Mayor Doss "You can go in and change the zoning but that would put an island of one piece of property as a R3 surrounded with R1s. I think the easiest route would be to give them a variance

City Attorney Boring "You guys can do what you want to and I'm not saying don't do it but whenever you start giving these variances when someone comes in with the same shape they are they are going to be expecting a variance also. You get in the situation where you got to treat everybody the same. What does the planning commission say? They are the ones who make the decisions."

Mayor Doss "They voted for this board to make the final decision.

City Attorney Boring "Did they make a recommendation?"

Mayor Doss "They requested that Michael fix up to where you can change the zoning to make that one lot a R3. Is that what you recommend?"

City Attorney Boring "I recommend doing whatever they said."

Mayor Doss "Okay. Anytime you go against what the body has voted on it opens it up for the next person and the next person. We already got one

person in here that we have already given a variance for in the past so either way you're going to open it up for the next one. I will go along with whatever the board wants to do here."

Commissioner Kaylor "If I may, if they plan to rezone it has to be sent to the TCA District Zoning Committee first then they have to approve it and send it back to the planning board and our planning board has to approve or disapprove it and you're looking at two or three months right there. "

A motion to give the Denson a variance to put a trailer on was made by Commissioner Beene; 2nd by Vice Mayor Reel.

Mayor Doss "When this board gives you the approval then you give the city recorder your dimensions and everything and then the code enforcer will guide you, so just work with city recorder and code enforcer as it has to be facing the road from what he told us last month."

Commissioner May "There was on set up on the property before wasn't there?"

Mr. Denson "Yeah everything's there."

Commissioner Kaylor "How long has it been gone, I'm just wondering if it would have to have another perk test."

Mayor Doss "We will guide you thru it just don't jump ahead of it and do it."

Motion carried 5-0.

Police Department Inventory on both the Department & Personnel

Mayor Doss "Police Department Inventory on both the Department & Personnel representative? I'm the one who put this on here and I would like to get an inventory of both the department and personal do you have a problem with that sir?"

Lieutenant Mike Owens "No sir."

Mayor Doss "Any questions from the board?"

Commissioner Kaylor "Do you all have a list like a sign out list when something is handed to you sign it like when we issue you a gun?"

Lieutenant Owens "Yes."

Commissioner Kaylor "Have all the officers got that?"

Lieutenant Owens "I have one on every officer."

Mayor Doss "They are supposed to be in their folders."

A motion to do an inventory of both the department and personal was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner Kaylor. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Beene "I got a question for him before he sets down. What's the status of the three new cars we bought?"

City Recorder Pankey "Up until this week we had no one able to write check from drug fund to purchase them."

Commissioner Beene "I understand we need them pretty bad."

City Recorder Pankey "I was waiting on paperwork from Officer Hoback and he brought it to me today so I'll write the check tomorrow."

Commissioner Beene "So we are good to go to get them on the road."

City Recorder Pankey "I don't know they are saying they need radios and things inside them."

Lieutenant Owens "Just switch over equipment and some things that have to be done to get them ready for patrol purposes."

Commissioner Kaylor "Do you already have equipment?"

Lieutenant Owens "Most of it."

Commissioner Kaylor "Do you have radios for all of them?"

Lieutenant Owens "I'm not sure yet, I'll know more once we get started."

Commissioner Kaylor "Keep us updated on it."

Lieutenant Owens "No problem."

Animal Control

Mayor Doss "There was an invoice from South Rhea for forty nine dollars and some change on it and you and I have discussed it and from what your telling me is the dog you picked up need medical attention at the time."

Animal Control Officer Bob McMillon "Yes when I picked it up it was sick and had a little slobbery foamy mouth, under nourished so I took it on myself to take it to the vet. I also have a clause in our ordinance that says for improper care of animals is prohibited, if I have to get out her and write a citizen a ticket for improper care of animals why can't I take it to the vet when their sick too? I mean I have no problem with the deal having to ask somebody to do this but when you got one that's sick and its right then you aint got time to go run around fifteen twenty people to ask hey may I have your permission to take this dog to the pound, the dog needed treatment that's why I took the dog. But I'll leave it up to yalls decision whether I do again or not. I believe myself if a dog any animal cat or whatever if it needs attention than it needs attention."

Mayor Doss "Also while each person is looking at this, it's being requested here that you want to try a no kill shelter and that you're working with several rescue groups

Animal Control Officer McMillon "Yes working with one Emily Tidwell and she has people she works with, she tells me we have five other rescue people that can come in on an emergency or whatever we have to do."

Vice Mayor Reel "This dog you took to the vet do you know who the owner is of the dog?"

Animal Control Officer McMillon "Just a stray someone put it out, nobody wanted it no more it was a red pit bull puppy. No collar no markings of no kind and nobody knew anything about it."

Commissioner Kaylor "Do we still have it?"

Animal Control Officer McMillon "No it was put in the shelter and it's in a foster home now being ready to adopt."

Mayor Doss "Here's a suggestion; anytime you have money like this invested when the dog is turned over to a rescue group for them to find it a home or you adopt it out that you try to recoup that's money that's been invested in it thru the vet bills and stuff. If we adopt them out at twenty five dollars then this one would be roughly seventy five dollars."

Animal Control Officer McMillon "That was the main thing on my mind was that it might have been parvo and I wanted that checked because if we get it in down there you don't ever get it out."

Mayor Doss "Naturally bigger shelters have everything in house where they can do all this stuff. My thought is if the rescue group ends up adopting it out then it should be the money they get out of it could come back here. The least they could do is cover the vet bill if they end up taking it."

Animal Control Officer McMillon "I'm sure if I get with Ms. Emily and we get together on that we could come deal on it."

Commissioner Kaylor "Rehoming fee?"

Mayor Doss "Yeah."

Animal Control Officer McMillon "But like I say it was just a spare of moment thing the puppy was sick I took it to the vet."

Mayor Doss "Is the board okay with this? You will need a form of motion to make it a no kill shelter as they just can't take it upon themselves to make it a no kill shelter."

Animal Control Officer McMillon "This is another thing the heartworms that is the only problem I have with a no kill shelter I don't believe we have the means to do it."

Mayor Doss "When I was full board with Almost Home Pet Foundation and I was fostering I had three that I kept that had heartworms and it cost us (the cheapest) was \$100.00 a treatment and on up for seven months to a year it takes to treat it."

Commissioner Kaylor "Mayor if I may, if it's a no kill shelter (and I love animals) and it gets full what do we do? If it's a no kill and we got room for 20 dogs and we got 40?"

Mayor Doss "Again that's his responsibility. But if you make it a no kill you can reverse it in the future. Or you can leave it like it is. What's your suggestion about a no kill shelter?"

Animal Control Officer McMillon "I would like to get with Ms. Emily on that like Charles E said our shelter is not big enough for forty dogs. I would like to work it out with her and find out more about that before I say for sure on that."

Commissioner Kaylor "And then you can let us know."

Animal Control Officer McMillon "I would love for it to be a no kill shelter."

Commissioner Beene "Mayor let's leave it on the agenda for next month and let him work on that."

Mayor Doss "Any other questions, thank you sir."

Animal Control Officer McMillon "Thank you."

Communications from citizens

Frieda Gadd "I got up here last month and ask if we could turn our trailer parks into trailer parks to put single wide trailers in them. I mean it's pretty stupid to have a trailer park you can't put trailer in. Think about it. And I also want to know when you're going to auction the vehicles off back here."

Mayor Doss "We just approved to put two more on there so it should be later this month that we put it on GovDeals so keep checking with Amanda and she will let you know when they are on there."

Ms. Gadd "Okay you said you would have to set up a meeting to see about this turning our trailer parks into trailer parks are we still just waiting?"

Mayor Doss "Yes ma am. Thank you."

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2nd by Vice Mayor Reel. Motion carried 4-0.

Submitted by: Amanda Sulcer

Mayor, Ted Doss

City Recorder, Tracey Pankey

Date