Graysville Mayor and Board of Commissioners Graysville Municipal Building April 11, 2017 7:00 p.m.

Call to order by Mayor Ted Doss

Prayer led by Mayor Doss Pledge led by Mayor Doss

Roll Call:

Mayor Ted Doss	Present
Vice Mayor Ron Scott	Present
Commissioner Robert Baldwin	Present
Commissioner Jimmy Massengill	Absent
Commissioner David Sulcer	Present

Approval of Minutes for March 14, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Doss "Approval of minutes for March 14, 2017 meeting."

A motion to approve minutes from March 14, 2017 meeting was made by Commissioner Sulcer; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott. Motion carried 4-0.

Communications from Mayor and Board of Commissioners

Mayor Doss "Communications from Mayor and Commissioners, Mr. Sulcer you have a visitor here tonight."

Commissioner Sulcer "Yes this is Josh Pelfrey coach of X-treme Reload the ball team practicing at park. You guys had some question you wanted to ask him Josh if you will step up. Josh you had said you would like to have dug outs moved to outside of fence is that correct?"

Josh Pelfrey "Yes."

Commissioner Sulcer "You have already fixed the bases?"

Mr. Pelfrey "Yes took measurements and concreted them back in to proper footage."

Commissioner Sulcer "What do you consider the condition of infield?"

Mr. Pelfrey "Horrific it's almost too where we can't practice on it. I wouldn't slide on it but it's hard to tell a seven year old not to slide."

Vice Mayor Scott "What you going to put on it?"

Mr. Pelfrey "That's up to you all, I mean the best infield dirt is 60/40 blend mixture of sand and clay."

Vice Mayor Scott "Where's it available at?"

Mr. Pelfrey "There's a place in Huntsville."

Vice Mayor Scott "How much is it?"

Mr. Pelfrey "I haven't had it priced for that field but I can. I would happily get someone to quote it. The biggest problem is getting what is there gone."

Commissioner Baldwin "We got a backhoe we can get the dirt gone."

Mr. Pelfrey "You got to dig about four inches."

Vice Mayor Scott "Whatever we are going to put down we need to make sure it's the stuff we need.

Mayor Doss "How much money do you think putting the dugs out on outside of fence, bringing dirt in and putting it in and working it? We got in-kind service to get the dirt out four inches deep."

Mr. Pelfrey "Material wise you're probably talking four or five grand."

Mayor Doss "I can ask for ten thousand dollars to be donated this week. We will have to put it on agenda to give me the approval to ask. If they tell me yes we can use our money and be reimbursed."

Mr. Pelfrey "Yes it's not just for the teams that come down here; it's for all the kids who live here."

A motion to amend the agenda to add resurface ball park infield was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion to give Mayor Doss the approval to go after donation of ten thousand dollars to do work at the park for the youth was made by Commissioner Baldwin; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott.

Mayor Doss "If I can get this approved we can go ahead and order the dirt and city workers can start moving the slab, if it busted up we can put it out in dumpster. We can get the dugout fence put up on outside of field." Commissioner Baldwin "What about the concession stand can we get it back up and running?"

Mayor Doss "Whatever money left out of this we can utilize it on other things but it's all about the park.

Commissioner Baldwin "If we put forth the effort and get this field ready you're not going to back out on us and quit?"

Mr. Pelfrey "I have a seven year old select team so you got me for five or six more years. That field can hold kids up to twelve."

Mayor Doss "We got a motion and a second any farther discussion?"

Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Doss "Keep in contact with Mr. Sulcer, thank you."

Mr. Pelfrey "Thank you."

Mayor Doss "The communication broke when I tried to put things on the agenda so I'm going to read this to you: I wanted a update on chicken problems, the Election Commission requesting to use city hall for voting locations, using drug fund balance and money raised on Govdeals to purchase one new police car. That's the three things I requested to put on there

A motion to amend the agenda to add Election Commission to use city hall for voting location, using drug fund balance and money raised on Govdeals to purchase one new police car, chicken problem update was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner Baldwin. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Sulcer "Saturday is our Easter Egg hunt from two to two thirty anyone is welcome to come its twelve and under."

Consent Agenda

Reports from Park, Library, Police Department, Water Department, Fire Department, Adjustments

A motion to accept the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Sulcer; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott. Motion carried 4-0.

Old Business Burn Permits Update

Mayor Doss "Any information on this?"

Municipal Clerk Amanda Sulcer "Tracey told me the only person who can ban someone from burning is the governor unless there is an ongoing issue then the judge can."

Mayor Doss "Any questions?"

Commissioner Sulcer "Is police department enforcing burn permits?"

Police Chief Julie Tanksley "We get a list we don't personally go around and check, unless there's a call."

Commissioner Baldwin "I got another question on burn permits. Is there any way we can get an outdoor weather gauge for city hall here to measure the wind speed and the humidity all this played a factor in how the fire is going to burn. If you have low humidity it's going to burn quick that's what happen to us yesterday on Dayton Mountain. I think you can get one for one hundred to a hundred and twenty bucks. I have one personally at my house it comes in handy, for whoever is going to be issuing the burn permits that way they can look and kind of get an idea like it's a windy day or humid day or not humid day. I guess Amanda is still issuing them? I think it would be a really good thing to have."

Mayor Doss "Anybody in the front office. One of the things we discussed in the past was, and now that it's Tracey is the code enforcer her and Gary can go out check it out and give the permit number. That way they see that it's far enough away from the house, what they are burning so on and so forth. They can look at this gauge you're talking about too and say yes or no."

A motion to purchase an all in one outdoor weather gauge (anemometer) was made by Commissioner Baldwin; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Doss "Again with Tracey the one over that she's not going to be back till Monday, Gary is probably not going to be here due to taking his wife to doctor so does your police department care to issue out burn permits till Tracey gets back?"

Police Chief Tanksley "Yes sure."

Mayor Doss "Okay we will use you as back up when she's not available it will be just day shift."

Waterline on Highway 27 Temporary Fix Update

Mayor Doss "It's been fairly wet out there, I have talked to Johnny Potter they have to read meters next week so he is going to try and get out there this week. He said it's probably 200-250 feet more and he thinks if we rent a ditch witch it would go a lot faster then back hoe. This is supposed to be a quick fix and it's been going on for months.

A motion to allow them to rent a ditch witch was made by Commissioner Baldwin; 2nd by Commissioner Sulcer. Motion carried 4-0.

Getting Rid of Buzzards and Dead Trees at Park

Mayor Doss "Getting Rid of Buzzards and Dead Trees at Park."

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "They had sent off for the permit and they sent some paper work back they need more information and it was mailed out today."

Commissioner Baldwin "If we are going to be working at ball park can we start getting rid of the dead trees?"

Mayor Doss "If we know where our property line is or work in conjunction with property owner we got to know where the boundaries are."

GovDeals Update

Mayor Doss "Chief if you'll come up."

Police Chief Tanksley "As you can see on there the inventory of vehicles sold on there you can see which are drug fund and which are general fund with a total of \$15,589.00."

Mayor Doss "Just a little education explain to the board why the ones go in drug fund."

Police Chief Tanksley "When it goes into drug fund it is from a seizure of drug or alcohol. I chose for my department not to seize from alcohol because we have to pay for an officer to go to court we have to pay for officer to meet at a special time with the judge to have seizure warrant signed then I have to send it to Nashville then the Department of Safety sets a court date in which the officer has to go to Chattanooga or Knoxville, the officer could go as many as three times. It could take six months or two years before vehicle is awarded to city. For alcohol the city has to insure the vehicle while in impound lot so my department is only seizing for drugs a felony amount of drugs. There are only certain things you can buy with drug fund money vehicles being one of them."

Mayor Doss "Question when you pull someone over for driving on revoke you have the option to seize the vehicle?"

Police Chief Tanksley "If it's driving on revoke for dui?"

Mayor Doss "Tell us the difference."

Police Chief Tanksley "You can only seize on dui if it's a second conviction of a dui."

Mayor Doss "I'm going to give you two minutes of my little problem. Probably a year and half ago over in Meigs County a gentleman pulling a big trailer with no driver's license driving on revoke the trailer came loose killed four people he should not have been out there driving. My problem is he is probably right back out there driving. Your department arrested someone a week ago driving on revoke this week while I'm doing lawn service that person is up there visiting someone by themselves so arresting them doesn't help doesn't help one bit the system needs to be change, lives matter. It just bothers me to think that I pay my insurance and I might get hit by one of them I might get killed by one of them because our government allows it, it doesn't need to be a misdemeanor."

Police Chief Tanksley "I agree mayor."

Mayor Doss "Any other questions about GovDeals? Thank you ma am."

Swipe Machine Update

Mayor Doss "Any movement on it yet?"

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "I don't know."

A motion to use BanCard with a flat fee of \$3.50 was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner Baldwin. Motion carried 4-0

Chicken Problem Update

Mayor Doss "Chicken Problem last month there was a total of two chicken that had been gotten rid of, my understanding is now we got how many?"

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "As of today we have a total of nine chickens."

Mayor Doss "So there have been seven caught sense then."

Commissioner Baldwin "Has he been given his verbal yet?"

Mayor Doss "As far as I know he hasn't received anything yet. In our workshop we had discussed it but that's something I can't answer."

Commissioner Baldwin "We plainly discussed it and he was to receive one and farther action was to be taken if progress didn't start."

Mayor Doss "I'll bring that to her attention."

Fire Hall Update

Mayor Doss "Fire Hall Update I don't know of anything that we have done we don't even have a key to it."

Commissioner Baldwin "Didn't Ricks Lock and Key get called?"

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "Yes they are coming tomorrow. Dan is saying he left a key with someone and they are saying no he didn't so Ricks is coming tomorrow."

Vice Mayor Scott "I put that on there and I have another question also. Has anyone contacted the guy from ambulance service?"

Mayor Doss "No not that I am aware of."

Commissioner Sulcer "Has anyone contacted the banks?"

Vice Mayor Scott "Do what?"

Commissioner Baldwin "Has anyone contacted the banks about the loan?"

Vice Mayor Scott "Now let me say this: we have been talking about this for a while, is anyone else going to volunteer to go or am I going to go?"

Mayor Doss "My suggestion is that the city recorder goes with whomever and find out the things they need."

Vice Mayor Scott "Here's another question I had about it right here, how are we going to approach the bank? As far as I'm concerned we need to break the ambulance away from fire hall to get started."

Mayor Doss "Have you got time to get with Tracey and go to the banks?"

Vice Mayor Scott "I'll go with her."

Mayor Doss "So if you will get with Tracey next week and call the banks and see what they need from us to take to them."

Temporary One Way Street on section of Blacktrack Road going West Update Mayor Doss "Any updates on Blacktrack putting signs up have we got the signs in?"

Commissioner Sulcer "I know he has ordered them but I'm not sure if they have come in yet. I know the speedbumps and signs for park have come in and signs are up at park."

Commissioner Baldwin "I have had a lot of feedback from community on the one way street and there are quite a few people not liking it."

Street Striping Update

Mayor Doss "Street Striping Update Gary isn't here, two or three months ago we approved to get it done."

Vice Mayor Scott "We already approved it what's holding us up on it?"

Mayor Doss "Just a phone call away, its approved get the guy in here to get it done."

New Business

Police Department to Unlock Doors at Park

Mayor Doss "Police Department to Unlock Doors at Park who put this on here?"

Commissioner Baldwin "I put that on there, where it's getting warmer weather and ball teams practicing over there you can see all kinds of stuff out the kitchen window. Sometimes it's not too pleasant to look out kitchen window, I would like to see it done."

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "Who's going to clean up after them?"

Commissioner Sulcer "The reason we quit doing that was problem with clean up. An officer isn't going to go in there and take a roll of toilet paper out of toilet so the city would have to go each night or morning and clean up.

Commissioner Baldwin "I will volunteer two days a week. Does the park board have anyone who would volunteer?"

Commissioner Sulcer "I do it now."

Mayor Doss "We got four people counting Gary in the department over there, you just designate somebody to go up there every morning first thing."

Commissioner Sulcer "You would have to make sure they can't get thru to inside of building."

Mayor Doss "It's very easy to say designate a city employee to go unlock it and if it needs clean then clean it, if it needs stocked then stock it. Then at six in the afternoon the police department on their route can walk in look for vandalism and lock the doors. On weekends police officer can unlock it then lock it back."

Vice Mayor Scott "Do we have cameras that see who goes in and out the doors?"

Commissioner Sulcer "One camera is broke. Each camera captures about twelve days of stuff, you can see about everything. The camera that's broke is the one who would have caught the person on roof and air conditioning unit the other day."

Vice Mayor Scott "When you open that building up you can do a lot of damage inside cause you can't be seen when they start breaking commodes."

Commissioner Sulcer "You have one commode and one sink."

Commissioner Baldwin "Or see about renting a port a potty to set over there. These kids have to have a way to use the bathroom."

Vice Mayor Scott "What would it take to get cameras all working again?"

Mayor Dos "Two thousand dollars and when I say that it's because you may have to add one or two more cameras and you have to have someone monitoring them and prosecuting the parents when their kids destroy something instead of just fixing it back up. Times have changed we use to get a butt whooping can't even do that now days."

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "It's actually costing the park money because we pay sixty dollars a month for internet for the security cameras that's not even half working or being checked, so yes it's actually costing us money."

Vice Mayor Scott "What would it take to bring it all up to date? What you want to do with it?"

Mayor Doss "Why don't you get an estimate from Messimer Electric so we can get it done and if we need to amend the budget we can do so. We set here and talk about we need to do this and we need to do that, I am hoping next week we can have a copy of our budget."

Commissioner Sucler "I will get with Messimer on that."

Mayor Doss "Again my suggestion is a city employee go up and unlock the door and check to see if it needs to be cleaned, clean it then restock it Monday thru Friday the police department close it at a certain hour. They could call dispatch and have the officer come when they are done."

Commissioner Baldwin "Would that be okay?"

Police Chief Tanksley "That would be good that way it would be documented

Mayor Doss "Anything else on this?"

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "We are going to make sure it's clean so when it's rented the people don't walk into a mess?"

Mayor Doss "Its Monday thru Friday for the city."

Commissioner Sulcer "And then I will have to go in and clean Friday night for the weekend."

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "And when you're not here on Friday who's going to do it?"

Mayor Doss "We have another commissioner that said he would two days."

Commissioner Baldwin "If its rented we wouldn't unlock to public would we?"

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "No because they get the whole building."

City Vehicles to have Yellow Light Bar

Mayor Doss "City Vehicles to have Yellow Light Bar."

Commissioner Baldwin "I put that on there also that way they are more visible because there are people out here getting hit every day."

Vice Mayor Scott "There's cost does anybody know what they cost?"

Commissioner Baldwin "I think you can get the mini light bars like I have on my razor for around \$250.00 – \$300.00."

Mayor Doss "If I may throw something else in there; we got the three new trucks with tool boxes our workers can't even look over into the tool box we may have to go back in the future and get running boards too. Back to lights have you researched it do you know what it will cost?"

Commissioner Baldwin "I know Speed Tech Lights have some between \$250.00 and \$300.00 just like mine only they are yellow. They plug into cigarette lighter."

Mayor Doss "I'll remind you the only way we were able to purchase those vehicles was out of that separate fund so whatever you do with these vehicles the money can come out of that. Again the budget you running on now is not the money we used to purchase these trucks."

Commissioner Baldwin "Something to make them more visible when they are weed eating and such."

Mayor Doss "Well sense you said weed eating on Facebook people have been commenting on how good certain areas look and I would like to take this time to thank Gary's workers."

Vice Mayor Scott "What's the boy's name?"

Mayor Doss "Michael Brewer."

Vice Mayor Scott "You need to commend that boy, I have seen him every day out there working."

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "He needs Employee of the Month."

A motion to purchase four light bars at three hundred dollars max for the four public works vehicles was made by Commissioner Baldwin; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott. Motion carried 4-0

Rapid Cast Utilized More

Mayor Doss "Rapid Cast Utilized More."

Commissioner Baldwin "Yeah I put that on there also, like the other day we had someone hit the water line on Long Street. The guys came by and told me about it when it first happen on their way to it and let me know what was going on. In situations like that I would like to see Rapid Cast used

because a lot of the older people don't have Facebook we have Rapid Cast so if we can get it up and going I would like to see it getting used."

Vice Mayor Scott "How many people are signed up for Rapid Cast?"

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "Probably about a hundred to a hundred twenty five, we have been getting more lately as a lot of your people have been bringing them in."

Vice Mayor Scott "I have been trying to get them out."

Mayor Doss "I got a suggestion we got animal control we can have him go door to door like each day try and get ten not taking him from his job just like here's an hour."

Commissioner Baldwin "Like while he is driving around hand them out."

Mayor Doss "Not just hand them out help the person feel it out."

A motion to have animal control go door to door canvas the whole town and help citizen fill out Rapid Cast sign-up sheet and try to get ten a day was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott. Motion carried 4-0

Commissioner Sulcer "This still doesn't answer the question about using it more like the situation was done on weekend so no one is here."

Commissioner Baldwin "Right."

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "Let me give you all the insight to this, it can be done from a cell phone, me or Tracey either one can do it. I could set at my house and send it but I can't send it without someone telling me to send it."

Mayor Doss "If its Gary department then Gary can let them know, communication from department heads whether it be police department or water department whatever the problem is."

Commissioner Baldwin "For instance do you want to go ahead and start with the Easter Egg Hunt?"

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "I can."

City Hall & Well Pump to Be Ran on Generator

Mayor Doss "City Hall & Well Pump to Be Ran on Generator?"

Commissioner Baldwin "I put that on there also, a couple weeks back during the storms we usually use this area as our storm shelter but when power goes off we lose power here also. We have a generator setting out here that is very capable of running this building. I talked to Gary about it and he said he didn't have a problem with it someone would have to come wire it in. He also said he wouldn't mind getting his well wired in also that way he would be able to stay at one spot instead of calling someone else in like Johnny Potter to go over here and operate that while he is over here operating this."

Vice Mayor Scott "You're talking major money there as you got to get the power all the way over to the wells."

Commissioner Baldwin "I wonder if EPB could help with that?"

Vice Mayor Scott "So we have power to the wells so what we need is some kind of electronic switch."

Mayor Doss "I'll ask Tracey, you don't have to put it out for bids it if under five thousand so if you want to get with Messimer to see what the cost would be. We will get a price on that and have her (Tracey) talk to Boo (Brain).

SETDD Contract Renewal

Mayor Doss "SETDD Contract Renewal."

A motion to renew contract with SETDD was made by Commissioner Sulcer; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott. Motion carried 4-0

Budget Amendment

Mayor Doss "Table this."

Training Room Usage

Mayor Doss "Training Room Usage."

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "She said she would like to see the employees, not just employees but everyone as a whole to be able to use the community room once or twice a year for free. For instance we have the church of God wanting to use it for their Mother's Day Banquet so Ron could say they can use my time, the employees and volunteers already get it once for free she would like it to be a yearly thing."

A motion to allow employees/volunteers to use training room once a year for free was made by Commissioner Baldwin; 2nd by Vice Mayor Scott. Motion carried 4-0

Water Rates

Mayor Doss "First of all you got a letter that was put in front of you let's focus on it. When we done our audit the auditor told us we had two years in a row that we had a water loss, we try and keep our water rates down as cheap as we can. The state mandates that we need to do something and there is a two page form here that we have to have turned in by April 28, 2017. When we got the new garbage truck we had two part time workers when it came down to it Gary made a plea that we keep one of the part time workers and put him in the water department as a full time employee. We got two years running because of depreciation now go to second page right here we have seven hundred and nineteen water customers inside and outside of the city total, if you raised your rates five dollars per customer that would give you thirty five hundred ninety five dollars per month forty three thousand one hundred and forty dollars per year. Because Gary requested another employee his pay is four hundred a week, twenty thousand eight hundred per year plus your 7.5% matching taxes which is another fifteen hundred and sixty dollars total of twenty two thousand three hundred and sixty dollars per year. So if you look at the increase it would leave you a little over twenty thousand that would buffer you. We need to take this to your workshop and try to figure what is best in this questionnaire it says have you done an increase. Let me stress this has nothing to do with the new trucks this is a total different fund. I think this needs to be filled out next week and the board be advised it was filled out and at our workshop we can at this and when we return this let them know the boards intention is to do something in May. The best answer I can give is that we have tried to keep rate down but with this depreciation."

Election Commission requesting to use City Hall for Voting Locations

Mayor Doss "The Election Commission is requesting to use the city hall for voting locations I told Tom I would bring this up for a vote."

A motion to allow the Election Commission to use city hall for voting locations was made by Commissioner Baldwin; 2nd by Commissioner Sulcer. Motion carried 4-0

Use Drug Fund Balance and money raised on Govdeals to purchase one new police car

Mayor Doss "Using drug fund balance which is a little over thirteen thousand dollars and she has generated another forty four hundred which puts her over seventeen hundred. I think the last time she checked on a new vehicle it was around twenty thousand. If you purchase one vehicle do you have to bid it out?"

Police Chief Tanksley "Not if you're with fleet you get the government price."

Commissioner Sulcer "I thought he told us it had to be a minimum of three cars to do fleet."

Police Chief Tanksley "No that's not true."

Mayor Doss "If you will tell us what kind it and what comes with it?"

Police Chief Tanksley "I ask which one is the cheapest on government pricing right now and it's the Dodge Charger. It has all the specs and the total is \$23,122.00 for car only. I still have to wait for quote for blue lights, sirens and cage things like that for the car."

Mayor Doss "So your short about six thousand dollars roughly."

Municipal Clerk Sulcer "I will be making a deposit to drug fund of \$861.00 tomorrow."

Mayor Doss "What I can say is whatever the remainder of money is that needs to be used could come out of general fund thru the sale of the vehicles. Is that feasible because you can't have a loan using drug fund money? So you can take the amount of money generated thru the drug fund and take money out of general fund to be able to purchase whatever it is. My point is you have generated thirteen plus thousand dollars and then you add this forty four hundred this can be used for a vehicle."

Commissioner Sulcer "How much in repairs have you done on your cars just an average amount on all of them?"

Police Chief Tanksley "I'm not sure."

Vice Mayor Scott "How are the police cars insured? Are they insured like a normal car?"

City Attorney Ed Boring "TML, it's a little different than a regular car.

Vice Mayor Scott "How many operational police cars do we have right now?"

Police Chief Tanksley "Five."

Commissioner Sulcer "The point I'm getting to is we are spending a thousand to two-three thousand dollars a month on repairs."

Vice Mayor Scott "But your spending twenty three thousand for a vehicle. What good would that one vehicle do for us?"

Commissioner Baldwin "Whenever it comes to lives and putting these officers lives in danger responding to calls so it's going to do a whole lot for our town."

Vice Mayor Scott "So it's going to mean something to one the other four it doesn't do anything for."

Commissioner Baldwin "You can rotate it."

Vice Mayor Scott "This town doesn't have any money and we got a lot of things we have to address the money we have we have to utilize it to the best of our ability. I would love to see all you with a new car but where's the money going to come from?"

A motion to purchase a new cop car using money from drug fund, money from GovDeals and take the rest out of general fund was made by Commissioner Baldwin; 2nd by Commissioner Sulcer. Motion carried 4-0

Communication from Citizens

Frieda Gadd "My granddaughter wants to move a double wide trailer into her spot in my trailer park so I told her I would come to the meeting tonight. She already has one there that she's going to move out."

Mayor Doss "I think you have come to the wrong board, you will need to come to planning commission. What part of your park are we talking about?"

Ms. Gadd "Gadd Lane fifth trailer back on left."

Mayor Doss "This board can't help you it's the planning board, Tracey will be back Monday come see her. I apologize you set here for three hours."

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Doss; 2nd by Commissioner Baldwin. Motion carried 4-0

Submitted by: Amanda Sulcer

Mayor, Ted Doss

City Recorder, Tracey Pankey

Date