

**Graysville Board of Mayor and Commissioners**  
**Graysville Municipal Building**  
**September 8, 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	Absent
Commissioner Andy Beene	Present
Commissioner Charles Kaylor	Present
Commissioner Michael May	Present

**Approval of Minutes for July 14, 2015**

A motion to accept July 14, 2015 minutes was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner May. Motion carried 4-0.

**Communications from Mayor and Commissioners**

Mayor Doss "I would like to thank the Herald News especially Gary for the article that he put in the paper about the fall festival if you wasn't able to read it you can go online and read it. Gary it was put together very well and I think just like the fourth of July, this year we had an awesome fourth of July and it looks like we are going to repeat for the fall festival with a lot of activities going on. I encourage the citizens to come out and invite people to come out. Do you want to introduce our Chief of Police at this time?"

City Recorder Tracey Pankey "Julie would you like to stand? I would like to introduce Julie Tanksley to everybody she is going to be our new chief for the Graysville Police Department. I am hoping great things for Julie and she is hoping great things for Graysville."

**Crowd Applauds**

Mayor Doss "I may be stepping out of line but I think she is working out a notice and she will be in full time in a week or two."

Commissioner Kaylor "If I may?"

Mayor Doss "Yes sir."

Commissioner Kaylor "I have had a lot of citizens come to me here recently about our Officer Steve Evans they have been commending him in school zone, talks to them, stands and waves at them. I would like to recognize him because the citizens appreciate him."

### **Crowd Applauds**

### **Consent Agenda**

Reports from Kristopher's Kingdom and Library

A motion to accept the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner May. Motion carried 4-0.

### **Old Business**

#### **Police Department Inventory Both Department & Personnel Update**

Mayor Doss "Do you have anything on that?"

City Recorder Pankey "I never did get an inventory but Julie said when she comes in that will be the very first thing that we do so we can give the board an inventory."

Mayor Doss "Just keep it on agenda for next month please."

#### **Policy on Take Home Vehicles Update**

Mayor Doss "Do you have anything on that?"

City Recorder Pankey "I gave you all a policy where you all able to look at that? I want to know if you all liked it or if you wanted to tweak it a little or what your opinions were on that?"

Commissioner May "Did it pretty much state the same thing the attorney said before?"

City Recorder Pankey "The only thing I put in it was where you all voted on the fifteen mile radius."

Commissioner May "Fifteen mile radius some driving that now. I don't think they should be driving them home myself."

City Recorder Pankey "I'm for whatever the board wants as far as the take home policy."

Mayor Doss "I'm going to ask the attorney a question: when we set a policy and it says fifteen miles and its sixteen miles is there any give and take? Is it from city limits or from right here."

City Attorney Ed Boring "You define where it's from rather it's from city limits or from city hall."

Mayor Doss "The way it's worded it's vague it just says fifteen mile radius."

Commissioner May "Have we ever looked at insurance on it?"

City Recorder Pankey "When I talked to TML they said it was the discrepancy of the city but that it looked better for citizens to see police vehicles in the back rather there was an officer on duty or not, and there is a liability in taking the vehicles home if they had family members in vehicle and wrecked."

Commissioner May "I just wondered if there something to help us."

A motion to table it so it can be tweaked was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner May. Motion carried 4-0.

### **Garbage Truck**

Mayor Doss "I set at home and made a rough chart of some things and I'm going to go over it a little bit. Your part time employees if they are making \$7.85 an hour and they do 16 hours a week and there are two of them it ends up being \$251.20 per week, per year its \$13, 062.40. They are going to vary depending on the season and everything. Right now our garbage pick-up is \$8.00 a month that's \$4,800.00 a month if you have an average of six hundred customers on the year its \$57,600.00. You will see that I threw in there if you had to go up to \$10.00 per month it would ultimately be \$72,000.00 per year. Your garbage truck driver if you made him full time and you didn't have the slingers on the back he would be full time with automated truck at \$11.00 that's \$440.00 a week and \$22880.00 a year. That would give him approximately 28 hours of working with Potter and Denson every week after he got off of his route if he ran it on Monday and Tuesday and if you get a new truck and he is able to run it all in one day then he would be getting 32 hours with Gary, Potter and Denson. Your garbage cans are pricey but they guarantee them for ten years you can get them as big as ninety six gallons. Right now we have around \$42,000.00 put back for the replacement of garbage truck if you took that money and bought the cans and borrowed the money to buy the truck and did a ten year note you're looking at roughly \$20,000.00 a year to pay for the truck. The liability insurance we were talking about earlier when I went to the

elected official academy it was in one of the classes about the automated truck because of person on back of truck that could get hurt that's why your insurance is so high in sanitation. I have contacted three companies and any time any of us want to go over to Athens and look at their trucks we can. I know it's a big bite to do something like this but we are spending one to three thousand every time we take it to repair shop. When they came over and we rode around a couple of weeks ago we were out of the roads and the fluids from the garbage was flowing out and they said you know that's against the law for it to be flowing like that I didn't know it was against the law. The truck is on its last leg and we need to do something and this is one of your options."

## **New Business**

### **Steven Evans Full Time**

Commissioner Beene "Is it not the board policy when someone is hired that we have to vote on it as a board, when someone is terminated that we have to vote on it as a board?"

Mayor Doss "We don't have to that's an option, it was discussed in the past if you want to put it on the agenda then you do, any board member can put it on the agenda is that correct?"

City Attorney Boring "That's my understanding, yes."

Mayor Doss "It's not a mandatory thing."

City Attorney Boring "Well it says temporarily employee or temporarily suspend so it can go either way."

Mayor Doss "Again there's something that's vague in the wording."

Commissioner Beene "That's why we as a board need to vote on it to make it legal or to make sure it's got the backbone for it hiring firing or whatever. I ask to put Evans on here and I ask for other two on here but I don't know why the other two didn't make it on here. Do you know why the other two wasn't put on the agenda?"

Mayor Doss "When did you put it on there?"

Commissioner Beene "The agenda setting meeting."

Mayor Doss "Two months ago?"

Commissioner Beene "No I was here the other day but you done left as I walked in the door."

Mayor Doss "I figure if we have a meeting and it's adjourned."

Commissioner Beene "I don't know that's why I'm asking, I just ask to put it on the agenda and wasn't on there and I wondered why because we do need to vote it up or vote it down when we hire/fire so we can vote on it."

Mayor Doss "Lets deal with A here first."

A motion to accept Steve Evans as full time officer was made by Commissioner Beene; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Kaylor. Motion carried 4-0.

### **Executive Session**

Mayor Doss "Andy you put this on here two months ago."

Commissioner Beene "That's the one where we were going to see some items that was brought to us and we have not had it and we need to have it."

Mayor Doss "Do you want to do that after the meeting?"

Commissioner Beene "Just whenever the board can be there and our attorney, I thought we had it set up but I don't guess we have."

Mayor Doss "We can do it after the meeting tonight."

### **Skate Board Park**

Mayor Doss "What you got on it Andy?"

Commissioner Beene "All the skateboarders on the streets we need a park so they can ride their skateboards on before Spain left me and him discussed that and he recommended one at the park. I don't know where you're going to fit it in at but that's something the park committee needs to look at. We need a place for them to ride skateboards instead of down the streets causing people to wreck I know of two wrecks caused by it."

City Recorder Pankey "I did talk to TML about this when you brought it up and they said if you put a skateboard park up then you have to hire a somebody to be there all hours it is open and they have to be certified in CPR and first aid, there has to be a fence elevated so many feet completely around the skate park."

Commissioner Kaylor "We have tried to before and just the insurance was astronomical."

City Recorder Pankey "It was going to go up drastically."

Mayor Doss "The city has options about that: if they are a problem out on the streets, if it's not a law then you put it in form of an ordinance about them staying off the roads. I see them at the post office and it's posted down there and one of them is my grandson. With it posted and you see them warn them and then load them up and take them to momma and daddy. We have had skateboarders for twenty years around here its eventually going to become problems and Andy you said you personally know of two accidents because of the skateboarders, just like out on the highway we had twelve wrecks in five weeks and I don't think we have had one since. Besides a skateboard park what other options do you want to consider?"

Commissioner Beene "I don't know, have a designated area for them."

Mayor Doss "If you have a designated area for them then what TML is telling us is what their recommendation is. I don't think it's a requirement, if you say they can do it right there and a kid gets hurt then they will sue the city."

City Recorder Pankey "If we call it a skateboard park all the things TML said are requirements you have to do them and on top of them raising our insurance."

Park Chairmen David Sulcer "Possibly lower speed limit on the section of Blacktrack Road in front of park and maybe they could congregate to that section."

Mayor Doss "That's where my grandson lives and they already congregate there. I'm going to ask they attorney if you designate an area do you still fall under the guidelines of what TML is telling us?"

City Attorney Boring "I think it's risky, if you designate an area your basically telling the kids this is where you need to go, your implying this is where you need to go."

Commissioner Beene "When we have workshop on garbage truck we need to have work shop on that and see what we can work out."

Mayor Doss "That's fine with me."

### **Communications from citizens**

Robert Baldwin "I was just wondering since we got the text system now if we could get text when special called meeting were, reminders on monthly meetings or if it's been cancelled so forth and so on. If we can take advantage of that system to let us know what's going on in the city.

Mayor Doss "Has everyone in fire department turned in a number? Did we talk about having one or two people sending the stuff out?"

City Recorder Pankey "Myself and Amanda are the ones who are sending it out and we have the departments listed and citizens are listed individual."

Commissioner Beene "Bobby that one instance where I had to get up and go see where the fire was if we would have rapid cast it I would have known you all were burning a house down."

Mr. Baldwin "Right."

Commissioner Beene "That needs to be sent out to each commissioner, each fireman, each police officer and each city employee because I didn't know you all were burning it down till I got up and drove over there to see what was on fire."

Mr. Baldwin "That's what I'm asking is to utilize it."

City Recorder Pankey "Well I didn't know either or we possibly could have. We only have a limited amount of time and it was intended for emergencies only."

Mr. Baldwin "I was just wondering if we could utilize it more to make citizens aware. It actually got posted on Facebook about a family's house burning and we had to go back and say that's not true we were doing training."

City Recorder Pankey "Well I was not aware of the date or time of training was going to occur."

Municipal Clerk Amanda Sulcer "Neither was I."

Mr. Baldwin "I apologize for that."

Mayor Doss "Anytime you feel the need to send a rapid cast, the problem is if it's on Saturday or Sunday and you can't get ahold of Amanda or Tracey and it's an emergency then there's a glitch. Its trial and error right now but I appreciate you bring it to us."

Mr. Baldwin "If we got it why not utilize it?"

Mayor Doss "Thank you sir."

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Kaylor; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mayor Doss.  
Motion carried 4-0.

Submitted by: Amanda Sulcer

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Mayor, Ted Doss

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City Recorder, Tracey Pankey

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