

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

PUBLIC HEARING

APRIL 8, 2019

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA) met in a Public Hearing on Monday, April 8, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., at Town Hall, 123 Boone Street, Jonesborough, TN.

The first item on the Public Hearing Agenda was the Ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 1, Intoxicating Liquors, of the Jonesborough Municipal Code regarding the five percent (5%) inspection fee on wholesale alcoholic beverages manufactured in the Town of Jonesborough. Mayor Vest asked if there were any comments. There were none.

The Public Hearing was closed.

ABBEY MILLER, RECORDER

CHUCK VEST, MAYOR

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REGULAR MEETING

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Mayor Chuck Vest called the meeting to order. Mayor Vest asked Alderman Adam Dickson to lead the group in an opening Prayer and to remember Alderman Terry Countermine who was having medical tests performed in Ohio and Washington County Commissioner Kent Harris who is in the hospital in Atlanta, Georgia. Donna Freeman led the pledge to the Flag.

Upon call of the roll those present were: Mayor Chuck Vest, Alderman Stephen Callahan, Alderman Virginia Causey, and Alderman Adam Dickson. Alderman Terry Countermine was absent. Also present were: Town Administrator Bob Browning, Town

Recorder Abbey Miller, Operations Manager Craig Ford, and Town Attorney Jim Wheeler.

The next item was the Consent Agenda. Mayor Vest said he would like to pull Consent Agenda Item 11-c the Special Event Request for Brews and Tunes – 2019 Season, and asked if there were any other items that the Aldermen wished to have pulled from the Consent Agenda. There were none. The motion to pull Consent Agenda Item 11-c Special Event Request for Brews and Tunes – 2019 Season, for discussion was made by Alderman Callahan, seconded by Alderman Causey and duly passed. Alderman Causey made the motion, seconded by Alderman Callahan, and duly passed to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. Approve the minutes of the February 11, 2019, and March 11, 2019, Regular meeting.
2. Approve the following bills for payment:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A PLUS TOWING & RECOVER	110.00
A-Z OFFICE RESOURCES	838.84
ADVANCE AUTO PARTS	47.46
AFLAC	2783.77
ALLEN WEEMS	279.59
ALSCO	112.77
AMERICAN GENERAL LIFE	106.52
AMERICAN RED CROSS	30.00
AMERICAN TIRE DISTRIBUTION	1231.04
ANDY OXY COMPANY, INC.	105.00
ANGI SHEEK	17.00
APPALACHIAN GYPSUM	5695.60
APPALACHIAN PRINTING	298.50
APPLIED MAINTENANCE	187.37
ARCHER BROTHERS GARAGE	220.00

ARCHER ELECTRIC SERVICE	175.00
AULICK CHEMICAL SOLUTION	15420.70
AUTO ZONE	95.51
AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.	5706.00
AYERS DISTRIBUTING CO	139.00
B & HSALES	1017.63
BALLOON-A-TICS	149.94
BARNES EXTERMINATING CO	40.00
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	79562.99
BLUE RIDGE MEDICAL MGMT	2699.00
BLUE WATER INDUSTRIES	14267.58
BMS DIRECT	191.50
BRANHAM CORPORATION	56.02
BRENDA G'FELLERS	7.20
BRIGHT & ASSOCIATES	6983.00
<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
CAROL LESLIE HUIE	266.72
CELEBRATE	284.45
CENTRAL PAPER AND SUPPLY	607.17
CENTURYLINK	64.23
CHAPPELL'S PEST CONTROL	100.00
CINDY SUE BUBAR	9.84
CINTAS CORPORATION #202	775.76
CINTAS FIRST AIR & SAFE	365.06
COAST TO COAST COMPUTER INK	685.95
COMCAST C/O 3PPP	177.05

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	3000.00
COMPANION LIFE INSURANCE	984.05
CORE AND MAIN	4322.71
CORECHEM	781.00
CRAZY TOMMY'S	110.71
D. TODD WOOD	6120.00
DEBBIE ALVIS	128.80
DENNIS DWAYNE BROOKS	525.00
DENNIS HIGGINS	204.57
EAST TN RENT-ALLS	1192.28
ECOSAFE LANDFILL YA	6051.36
EMILY K MATHEY	393.75
ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCTS	176.18
FASTENALL COMPANY	15.70
FERGUSON ENTERPRISES #5	13879.27
FIRE EXTINGUISHER CO	269.40
FIRST TN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT	300.00
FLEENOR SECURITY SYSTEM	584.36
FOOD CITY	13.66
FOSTER SIGNS	1609.95
FREE SERVICE TIRE CO	212.76
G&C SUPPLY COMPANY, IN	1755.60
GALL'S LLC	957.74
GENERAL SHALE MSC 30523	705.27
GOVDEALS, INC.	1159.56
GT DISTRIBUTORS	131.82
HEISSE JOHNSON HAND UP	165.25

HENRY SCHEIN, INC.	124.53
HERALD AND TRIBUNE	75.00
HIGH TIDE TECHNOLOGIES	360.00
HUNTER CURTIS	545.00
HY COUNTRY HYDRAULIK	272.80
IDEXX DISTRIBUTION, INC	912.62
INFORMATION AGE	109.95
<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
INGLES #4205	374.83
INTERNATIONAL STORYTELLING	56.55
JAMES WHEELER	61.41
JAMES RIVER EQUIPMENT	1444.20
JD METALS	2857.81
JEFFERSON SALES SOUTH	1357.28
JERI JONES	8.00
JOCELYN JONES	50.40
JOHNSON CITY CARDINALS	2200.00
JOHNSON CITY CONVENTION	100.00
JOHNSON CITY FORD	109.91
JOHNSON CITY PRESS	98.80
JONESBOROUGH GENEALOGIC	9.60
JONESBOROUGH HRA	7495.00
JONESBOROUGH SENIOR CENTER	261.59
JONESBOROUGH STORYTELLING	17.60
JONESBOROUGH WATER DEPT	400.00
JONESBOROUGH/WASHINGTON	3774.20

JRT	231.68
JUDY O'HARA	9.60
JULES CORRIERE	20.00
JUNE BARNETT	10.00
KARA BLEDSOE	60.14
KAREN SUE HITCHOCK	163.50
KENNETH WEAVER	35.47
KIMBALL MIDWEST	753.12
KY/TN WATER PROFESSIONAL	1125.00
LORA DARLENE HATLEY	264.00
LOWE'S	11949.93
MAHONEY'S SPORTSMAN'S	197.74
MARK D EDMONDS	175.00
MATTHEW BYRD	20.80
MICROBAC A/R	452.50
MODERN SUPPLY CO.	187.68
MT. STATES REHABILITATION	359.10
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY	4059.00
NETWORKFLEET, INC./VERI	1703.31
NEWS AND NEIGHBOR	197.00
NORTHEAST TN TOURISM	1750.00
O'REILLY AUTOMATION INC	26.45
OFFICE DEPOT BUSINESS	78.97
OLD SCHOOL AUTO PARTS, I	5606.52
OLDE TOWN HARDWARE	152.31
OLDE TOWN SMALL ENGINE	14.95
<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>

ON-DUTY DEPOT KNOXVILLE	688.50
OSBORNE ELECTRIC INC.	781.69
PACE ANALYTICAL NATIONAL	4305.00
PARDUE PHOTOGRAPHICS	520.00
PARISH NURSING	670.00
PATRICIA HARMON	100.00
POLYDYNE INC.	2280.24
PORTER'S TIRE STORES	3695.63
PRINT DISTRIBUTION SERV	931.25
PUBLIC ENTITY PARTNERS	213612.86
QUALITY TROPHY & ENGRAVING	57.00
RBM COMPANY	2415.63
RICOH USA, INC.	3609.01
RICOH USA, INC.	149.43
SARATOGA	1198.06
SCHAEFFER'S MFG CO	406.45
SHIRT TAIL DESIGNS	285.40
SHRED-IT	63.72
SMART SOURCE OF GA, LLC	1482.74
SPECIALIZED OPERATIONS	1166.00
STAFFORD CUSTOM GRAPHIC	35.00
STORYTELLING RESOURCES P	218.90
STOWERS	790.42
SUMMERS HARDWARE	870.07
SUMMERS-TAYLOR INC.	2168.00
SUPPLYWORKS	935.49

SUSAN HOWELL	11.96
TBI-FISCAL SERVICES	203.00
TERRY ALEXANDER	22.40
THE HIGH ROAD AGENCY	49.00
THE UNIVERSITY OF TN	45.00
THOMAS REUTERS – WEST	179.46
TNVA ENERGY SOLUTIONS	80.75
TONYA S VAN HOOK	352.00
TOWN OF JONESBOROUGH	7950.00
TRANSUNION RISK &	49.00
TRIAD FREIGHTLINER	35.28
TRIGG ENTERPRISES	428.81
TRIPLETT FARMS	375.00
TRUCKPRO LLC	691.93
UNITED ART & EDUCATION	106.35
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	187.05
UNITED RENTALS	200.80
UNITED WAY	440.29
<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
USA BLUE BOOK	528.25
VH BLACKINTON COL, INC	12.00
VALLEY EQUIPMENT CO	285.00
VERMEER HEARTLAND	3185.29
WASHINGTON COUNTY EMS	15.21
WASHINGTON FARMERS CO-OP	3041.65
WASTE MANAGEMENT	644.17

WHITE'S AUTO PARTS	643.30
WILLIAM BEAGLE	605.00
WILLIAMS ELECTRIC	17242.91
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY	140.00
WM. S. TRIMBLE COMPANY	345.30
88.3 WXQR	<u>1200.00</u>
	534,746.10

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>SANITATION</u>
91996-92091 AP	129,700.50		
92092-92129 AP	24,637.11		
92132-92157 AP	44,503.73		
92158-92159 AP	976.25		
92160-92165 AP	5,126.73		
92166-92173 AP	6,536.68		
92174-92183 AP	13,619.36		
92184-92200 AP	5,987.89		
92201 AP	1,000.00		
92202-92224 AP	18,469.06		
92225-92232 AP	7,440.25		
92233-92252 AP	6,486.00		
92253-92263 AP	<u>5108.70</u>		
	264,483.56		
58873-58946 AP		139,886.17	
58947-58950 AP		15,602.50	

58951-58964 AP	72,994.80
58965-58966 AP	1,310.00
58967-58972 AP	3,552.47
58973 AP	548.25
58974-58978 AP	6,600.07
58979-58980 AP	487.73
58981-58987 AP	7,685.40
58988 AP	<u>6,220.00</u>
	254,887.39

8254-8271 AP	19,663.18
8272-8273 AP	3,873.57
8274-8276 AP	190.99
8277-8278 AP	319.11
8279 AP	182.75
8280 AP	<u>95.00</u>
	24,324.60

3. Approve the following Town Administrator Report:

Wastewater

The recent drier weather has reduced infiltration and inflow into our sewer collection system and taken pressure off of our treatment operation. Our Wastewater staff did a great job with the constant onslaught of rain minimizing any overflows. Working with GRW Engineers, a proposed upgrade of the effluent pump station was developed. The effluent pump station can pump about 2.2 million gallons a day through the outflow line to the Nolichucky River. This effluent is obviously treated water through the WWTP. Our normal flow without major rain events is between 500,000 and 600,000 gallons per day. Even with a series of large rain events, we can actually treat a large volume because between our older Shreiber basins and the two oxidation ditches we have the hydraulic capacity at the treatment plant to handle 3 million gallons per

day. We do not have the capacity with the effluent pumps to pump more than about 2.2 million gallons per day, so we have at the worst times an over flow of treated water.

Some Board members may remember that we had a problem with our influent pump station that also had a capacity of about 2.2 million gallons per day (which is about four times our daily flow), and we had overflows of that station at the head of the plant. That was a major problem because it was not treated. The incoming waste is highly diluted, but an overflow of the influent pump station was a major problem. Our staff worked on the solution, and we used a high pressure diesel pump as well as the four (4) sequenced pumps in the sewer influent station to be able to flow over 3 million gallons a day up the hill to the treatment basins. We had some overflow issues with the sewer headworks because of the very heavy volume, so we used the older 8" force main to the old headworks and split up the flow up the hill using both the older and newer headworks. That solved our problem in getting very heavy flows into our treatment basins. Cobern Rasnick and his staff did a great job of doing all that work in-house.

When looking at upgrading the effluent pump station, there are no other options other than replacing all of the four pumps in the station as well as all of the electric panels and components. The cost would be over \$300,000, and that is not money well spent. It would be much better to use those dollars to greatly reduce our volume of infiltration/inflow. Rather than accommodate the problem, we need to fix the problem. Accommodating the problem in the influent side of the WWTP was fine because we did it in-house and cost effectively. We also avoided a devastating sewer tap moratorium because of constant over flows with the influent station. That would have impacted our entire wastewater system and economic development.

We are currently working with GRW on a detailed I&I Reduction Plan that will allow our staff to more effectively and systematically go through our system cutting out I&I. We have an excellent camera system, and we have some very good flow monitors that are almost new that we can install in manholes to measure changes in sewer flow during rain events. We may propose two additional employees be hired during the I&I Reduction Project so we can work continuously over a year or two to get where we need to be. We have to show progress to TDEC on this issue, and like I said, it makes much more sense to solve the problem in this case rather than to accommodate the problem. We will come back to the BMA with a comprehensive plan that at the latest would be initiated by the first of the upcoming next fiscal year.

Projects – The Wastewater crew has connected the new Fleet Maintenance Facility into the Rosenbaum pump station. Also, the new Wastewater Building is connected to the collection system as well. Recently, the Wastewater staff has been working on the grading around the new Wastewater Building getting it ready for gravel and paving.

Cobern Rasnick has met with Jason Poteat and the Wakefield Village HOA, about pump station repairs and with the metes and bounds on the easement necessary for us to maintain their sewer pump in the future. That seems to be moving forward smoothly at this point. We have the capability of making the necessary repairs to the pump station with the HOA/Developer buying the materials.

The Sewer Construction Crew will be moving soon to the Greer property on S. Cherokee Street near Stage Road.

Water

It never gets boring in Water Treatment. The Water Treatment staff has gone from dealing with extremely high turbidity in the Nolichucky River and pulling all of the solids out of the water, to right now a very clear Nolichucky River that generates algae growth that involves a completely different response to pull it out of the water going into the filters. There is one challenge after another, and the added organics in the raw water coming into the plant from heavy rains flowing off of farmland, or a clear river generating algae growth, we have to address the higher levels of disinfection by-products that result from both situations.

We have worked on ways to have more carbon at the intake which is really helpful in attaching to organics making them easier to remove in the flocculation process in the sedimentation basins. We need to follow through and complete the installation of the bulk carbon container needed to more easily feed carbon into the raw water intake with much less mess and less cost.

We are also looking at changing the components of our filters. We use anthracite which has a carbon base to it as one of the large layers in our filters. This mineral is hard and does not breakdown very easily. For example, the last time we completely replaced our filter materials was in 2001. We periodically add bags of anthracite on top of the filters, but we do not have to do that very often. There has been discussion about changing out the three filters and using activated carbon instead of the anthracite. The activated carbon is better at pulling out organics than anthracite, but it breaks down more readily. We will have to evaluate the cost benefit. If anthracite lasts 20+ years and activated carbon lasts 3-4 years before being replaced, and we talk about \$100,000-\$150,000 to replace all three filters, it may not be worth the added benefit of the activated carbon. In the meantime, we will work to get the carbon feed improvements installed at the intake.

By-Products Reduction

We had really good test results on our March by-products test. (The levels of haloacetic acids and trihalomethanes were very low.) That is the third quarter test in a row on by-products in which our test results were very low. The last rough quarter was June, 2018, and warmer weather increases by-product

levels. We have made some positive steps with our disinfectant process, water line flushing, water tank turnover (stagnant water increases by-product build-up) and more carbon being fed at the intake. Our next quarterly test is in June. We are looking at installing a water tank mixer in the Persimmon Ridge reservoir that will help vent out THM's (trihalomethanes). We need a source of electric power at the water tank on Persimmon Ridge, and we are working on bringing power across the top of the ridge to the tank from the cell towers on the adjoining property. Craig Ford has been working with the owners of the adjoining property and BrightRidge to get the power line installed and thus far there are no roadblocks. If we can get power to the water tank, we can come down and slope to our training center building next to the firing range that needs electricity in order to be usable.

Water Loss

We have obtained the equipment and materials necessary to create a needed water zone in the Leesburg Road area. We need to reduce the pressure in that area which includes the Industrial Park. Washington County is working on expanding the Industrial Park off 11E. They are expecting to expand the 12" transmission line off Bush Hog Road into additional property west of the site of the current industries. There is a 100-acre housing development being planned across the four lane from the Industrial Park, and we are calculating that size development into our zoning plan.

There is an engineering contract with GRW Engineers on the Board agenda to look at improving water service to the higher ridges of the northside of 11E in or near Jonesborough. There are a number of housing developments underway or in design in that area. We need this study to move along rapidly in order for us to stay out ahead of development.

Transportation

We have completed our big projects except the Smith Lane/11E traffic signal and the N. Cherokee Smith Lane Connector. I am trying to get the traffic signal moving along and have set April as the month to clear out all of the paperwork hurdles. Most of the grading on the connector has been completed by Wolfe Development. Note: Dan Eldridge is coming to the Planning Commission this month with the first phase of his development on the top of the ridge above Smith Lane and the connector. He has 50 lots on the ridge top which will be accessed from N. Cherokee Street.

2nd Ave & Jackson – Still waiting to clear out projects before implementing this one.

Grants

LPRF Grant – We continue to get rid of items we do not need that have been in the existing garage for years. Once we complete the exterior work around the

Fleet Maintenance Facility, we will be starting grading on the park area at the garage. We are currently making final decisions necessary to move the fuel island to the Recycling Center area. Rachel Conger is working with C.W. Parker of Ken Ross Architects to detail out all the permanent structures within the park like the pavilion, amphitheater, and potting shed because we have to have architectural drawings sent to the state for approval before work on those structures begins. Ms. Conger is working on the bid for all benches, playground equipment within the park.

CDBG Façade Grant – The Façade Grant Project is focused on the front of the Jackson Theatre. We have approved the marque and signage bid of a little over \$110,000. The project calls for a 20% match, so the total project cost for the grant is a little less than \$126,000. That means we have only \$16,000 more in the project to cover our match. GRC Construction is breaking down their cost associated with the front wall, and they have already billed us for \$131,000 in structural steel stored materials.

Jackson Theatre –GRC Construction has started their work. They have taken out a large portion of the lower back wall of the Jackson Theatre building, and installed a high containment fence around the asphalt area behind the existing building. There is actually fencing and screening around the three open sides of the building. GRC has “shored-up” the interior floors above and taken out wooden beams that are being replaced. At the Progress Meeting last Tuesday, there was a lengthy discussion among GRC, Powell Construction (steel erection), Hodge Steel Fabricators (steel supplier) and Eddie Phillips (construction inspector) from Ken Ross Architects about how to sequence steel erection in a building that is not plumb and with some walls that are not supported well. I was very impressed with the knowledge of all involved, and the team work exhibited. I feel we have an excellent contractor and sub-contractor team, and we need it on this portion of the project. Part of the discussion was on safety during steel erection, and the crane will have to operate from Main Street when they are lifting. The crane will be against the curb on the northside of Main Street and when steel is being hoisted, Main Street in that section will have to be closed. They will work to have continuous sections of work going on with the crane use so the crane is not operating when the street is closed. That means the street may be closed only for 3 or 4 hours at a time. Otherwise, the crane will be against the curb with the outriggers in so both the sidewalk and both lanes of Main Street are open. When lifting, the crane will move away from the curb so the outriggers on the north side do not block the sidewalk. They will attempt to leave the sidewalk open in front of the Christopher Taylor Cabin and Presbyterian Church.

There is a meeting next Wednesday with the contractor, sub-contractors, architect, and John Jacobs who is the structural engineer. That meeting is intended to finalize the approach so the shop drawings can be completed and the steel fabricator can produce the steel beams needed. That is Hodge Steel Fabrication, and he says it will be 4-5 weeks after the shop drawings are

approved before he can start trucking steel to the job site. Powell will either lift steel beams off the truck or the beams will be set on Main Street and lifted from there.

The seating for both theatres has been ordered. Note: The JRT is paying for the new seats in that theatre but all of the seats will be delivered at one time. We will either store the Jackson Theatre seats in the JRT Warehouse or in a 40 foot "POD" container until they are needed. We have been told that the seating will be delivered by the first of July, so we are gearing up to do a lot of work in the JRT in the six (6) week period between shows from mid-July to the end of August.

We have received the carpet for the JRT audience area (also paid for by a Sonia King Trust donation), so it is available to go on the floor of the seating area before the seating is installed. The cost of seating for the Jackson Theatre and the JRT includes installation, and the installation crew is from Greeneville. That is really helpful because the seating installation at both theatres will be at different times and the fact that the installation crew is close by in Greeneville resulted in no additional installation costs because the separate installation periods.

Maintenance Buildings Project – With the much drier weather we made some progress on completing the grading work around both the Fleet Maintenance Facility and the Wastewater Building. We are hoping to finalize all the work necessary for paving next week if we can continue to work. That also includes fine grading, and sowing the slopes along SR-353.

Inside the Fleet Maintenance Facility, there is only a little bit of work to complete in the large "bay" area. The lights are in, siding and sheet rock installed, and that area is likely to be complete by next week. In the office areas downstairs and upstairs, the sheet rock work should be complete next week. The HVAC duct work is essentially complete and by the end of next week Craig Ford hopes the Carter County Work Camp Crew can start painting walls. Then flooring and bathroom fixtures, etc. can be installed. In the Wastewater Building, maybe a third of the sheet rock is up, and we intend to send the Carter County Work Camp Crew up to that building to finish installing the sheet rock, filling the joints, and then putting the "Knock Dour" finish and paint on the walls. Wastewater has all of the sheet rock and fixtures, etc. to complete the building. That facility has a large second story storage area as well, and Cobern's crew has put together about 80 new metal shelving units we got from military surplus which are all in place upstairs. The Wastewater Crew also has been working when they can during this drier weather to properly grade the area around the building. All the utilities are in place, and with some additional decent weather they can complete the outside site work. We are moving fairly quickly. We expect to be in both buildings in May.

Cobern Rasnick will start moving equipment, pipe, and fittings from the Recycle Center to Wastewater's new building as soon as the outside work allows them to do so. The large bay and storage areas are essentially complete. As soon as Wastewater is out, the Street Department will start moving their equipment, signs, etc. to the Recycling Center area they will occupy in order to facilitate getting out of our existing garage.

JRT Warehouse – The building itself is complete, asphalt entrances in place, and the sight stabilized and sown. Electrical and plumbing are in place and sheet rock is currently being installed in the interior. This is also another awesome facility and will likely be able to be occupied by the end of April.

Dog Park – The Civitan Club has been “batting around” the idea of donating \$25,000 to the Town earmarked for the Dog Park area with the 3.5 acre site on our Rosenbaum property. They have been going back and forth for a few months. We want to get the Dirty Street Fighter inmate crew from the Detention Center to clear out the invasives in the Dog Park area so we can see the layout of the area and determine where facilities and fencing should go. That will help us determine what existing trees need to be saved. TDOT is still working on their streambank mitigation plan in which they will have a landscape design firm develop a planting plan to put native species 50 feet on either side of Little Limestone Creek to help improve water quality. We have to complete enough of the Dog Park to open it within three (3) years, and have a \$25,000 grant to help achieve that goal.

Community Meetings - I have continued preparing agenda presentations for the BMA meetings, the Planning Commission, Tree & Townscape Board, Traffic Advisory Committee, JRT Board of Directors, and minutes for most.

4. Approve the following Operations Manager Report:

We continue to make progress on the Fleet Maintenance Building. All the framing is complete. Most of the metal on the outside of the office area is installed. All of the heat-pump ductwork has been installed. The rough-in wiring is complete.

The initial wiring for the alarm system and camera is complete. Most of the insulation has been installed. The rough-in plumbing is complete.

Most of the drywall has been hung in the downstairs office section and finish work on the drywall has begun. Half of the garage door openers have been installed.

The gas line has been installed to the building and all the interior gas lines and heating units have been installed. The same company is finishing up the installation of the air lines for the pneumatic equipment in the garage.

The doors, vanities, cabinets, countertops and door hardware have all been received.

The interior wiring is substantially complete. The 3-phase transformer has been set and the final inspection is complete. I have made the application for permanent service and look to have power to the building the week of April 08.

The Street Department has the area around the building to final sub-grade and will begin hauling the stone the week of April 08. I am hoping to be ready for asphalt the week of April 15.

The water is now on in the building. We still have to do the final plumbing, but that will not happen until the fixtures are installed. The plumbing has been tested for leaks.

The handrail has been fabricated and installed in the upstairs storage area. We were able to get the inmate back on the crew that welded the handrails at the train depot and the Storytelling Center. Once again, he did an outstanding job and the end product looks great.

We have also been working on the finish grade around the property site. A couple of employees from Water Distribution have been working on this and the job they are doing looks really good. I am hoping we will be finished within another week and we can get grass sewn.

The Street Department completed asphalt patching on East Main Street. There is still some work to do, but for now we have the rock covered with asphalt.

GRC has begun work on the Jackson Theater. I am trying to get the Fleet Maintenance Building completed in order that we may get back to the Stage Door. I am pushing to be finished with the garage by the end of May. I don't know if we can make that deadline, but it will not be for lack of trying.

I am meeting with involved staff on a weekly basis for the purpose of progress reporting on the Fleet Maintenance project. At this point, it is serving to keep us on course with the construction.

We have received the scope of work documents regarding the moving of the fuel site. We are confident we can get this work accomplished in a couple of days once we get started.

PROJECTS PENDING

Move Garage operation to Rosenbaum property and/or old Wastewater facility

1. Renovate or permanently close camp site
2. Paving list
3. Stage Door Renovation

4. Remove any and all signage in town and/or repair
5. Replace signage on 11-E to MUTCD standards
6. Plan to replace remaining cast iron line on East Main with DI. (We should at least replace line from Clay up to Franklin and tie onto new line up Franklin prior to constructing speed table.)
7. Resolution of Public Safety radio problems
8. Resolution on County fire service
9. Resolution on RMS system for police
10. Bridge Replacement @ Main Street Café
11. Landscape the McKinney Center
12. Bridge replacement at Mill Spring Park
13. Pave rest of street and parking area @ Willow Creek
14. Construct new speed table for sidewalk at Main and Franklin
15. Stripe new stop configuration at Franklin and Main
16. Repaint most speed tables and intersections
17. Construct spaces at Wastewater for salt, mulch, and/or compost
18. Construct speed table on Spring Street
19. Construct speed table on Main Street west of Second Avenue
20. Repair all speed tables downtown
21. Construct sidewalk and/or trail on Main Street from Clay Ave. to Forrest
22. Construct drainage on North Cherokee down High Street (Property flooding)
23. Construct retention wall @ Senior Center
24. Construct park @ Senior Center
25. Construct brick and granite sidewalk from Main Street down Second Avenue to Depot
26. Move Jackson sign from Oak Grove to Second Avenue
27. Re-construct Oak Grove Road after water line replacement
28. Construct or install over 1,000' of drain tile, various catch basin installation, stone, curbing and asphalt to widen Shell Road to County line and correct drainage issues
29. Adopt Boones Street landscape plan and implement
30. Move DAR sign @ Main & Second
31. Jackson Theatre project (Personnel – cleaning)
32. JRT Renovation
33. Construct bridge in park @ Stage Road Park
34. Demolish Mears house and construct storage facility
35. Repair deep drainage basin on Forrest
36. Drainage project @ Dean Chestnut's property
37. Pave parking lot @ Persimmon Ridge park
38. Construct utilities @ Firing Range
39. Construct additional parking @ Town Hall at a minimum if we are not going to expand public safety any time soon
40. Repair and/or replace sidewalks on Main Street west of Second Avenue
41. Replace sidewalk on Oak Grove Road
42. Repair sidewalk @ Slemmons House (?)

43. Restripe Parson's Table parking lot
44. Restripe Town Hall parking lot
45. Restripe Post Office parking lot
46. Restripe Visitors Center parking lot
47. Restripe Boone Street
48. Construct handicap spaces on Fox Street
49. Construct left turn lane into Meadow Creek off Hwy 81N
50. Restroom construction @ Train Depot (?)
51. Construct ramp @ Storytelling Center off Cherokee
52. Replace medians from Lowes east to Headtown Road
53. Landscape triangle on Jackson in front of Bank of Tennessee
54. Landscaping @ Barkley Creek Park entrance on Main Street
55. Replace trees in Post Office sidewalk planters
56. Design and install Town limits signs for major and minor arterial routes into Jonesborough
57. Construct connector road from North Cherokee to Smith Lane (future project)
58. Construct right turn lane on Jackson @ Second Avenue
59. Construct frontage road behind Medicine Shop
60. Drainage problem that has never been corrected at Headtown/President's Way/East Jackson
61. Construct Dog park on Rosebaum site
62. Pave parking lot and construct sidewalks and curb @ Senior Center/Town Garage
63. Construct turn lane at property on West Jackson near Persimmon Ridge
64. Drainage project on College/Greenlee/Payne Road
65. Renovation of Persimmon Ridge Baseball facilities
66. Construction of Soccer fields
67. Repair 27' of sidewalk in New Halifax
68. Re-evaluate drainage repairs in Walnut Grove
69. Flow fill sink hole in Water Park
70. Removal of large maple tree on common area of New Halifax across from Senior Center
71. Reconstruction of A-frame roof section in Christopher Taylor Cabin
72. Construct left turn lane into Dollar Tree
73. Easement Improvements on Fourth Avenue to Wastewater pump station
74. Bridge Replacement @ Barkley Creek
75. Complete renovation of Storytelling Center (downstairs)
76. Drainage and widening project @ Woodrow & Second Avenue
77. Construct speed tables on Scott Lane
78. Construct stone shoulders on Scott Lane
79. Repair curbing for drainage issues in Timberridge Subdivision
80. Construct guardrail on Spring Street (Contract)
81. Repair guardrail @ Forrest and Old Boones Creek (Contract)
82. Curb cut at Old Stephenson House (Billington) (Brick repair by Jim Gouge)

83. Construct curbing and/or sidewalk from Central School Board office to Main Street on Dr. Kennedy's property (perimeter flooding issues)
84. Replace roof @ Visitors center (Contract)
85. Construct remaining walking trail @ Persimmon Ridge Park
86. Get truck route signage fixed
87. Comcast removal of poles @ Library (Contract)
88. Repair yard @ Nansee William's residence
89. Complete Franklin Avenue Project (500' of tile, 3 catch basins, move waterline to west side of street, curb, & pave)
90. Complete grade work at McKinney Center
91. Replace or repair Visitors Center sign
92. Replace speed tables on South Lincoln Avenue
93. Replace or repair scales at Wastewater plant

**COMPLETE
STARTED**

Water Distribution

FYI a list of line extensions and etc. are listed below.

1. Subdivision by Wolfe Development off Vines Drive in planning stage. This project will consist of six-inch water main. **(Project Started 09/04/19)**
2. Three Inch meter connection to the JRT on Main Street. **(Materials on hand)**
3. ST. RT. 353 Water line replacement, Plans expire Dec. 21st of this year. This is a feed to the New Office location near Judge Vines Drive. This is very important connection that needs to happen. 400 feet in length.
4. Hwy. 11-E / Precision Blvd. – Stockyard Road at the Industrial Park. This connect will be connected to the Stockyard line to make another feed to the Industrial Park. These plans expire July 5th 2018. Total footage 1,800 feet with a 12 inch bore under Hwy. 11-E. **(Had to renew permit for an additional year.)**
5. The new city garage off of Old State Rt. 34, relocating of 1,535 of six-inch water main.
6. Carter S/D, off Slate Hill Road, 3,160 feet of six-inch water line to be installed. Plans approved. **(This project has received state approval. Town has not received payment to purchase material or begin installation.)**
7. Roy Phillips Road, water line extension, in the design stage, total length 260 feet. **(In design)**

8. West Hill Drive, water line extension for Abounding Grace Church. In the planning stage. We have the permit for the road bore from TDOT. Total footage 820 feet. **(Casing has been installed under road, connection has not been made as material and installation has not been paid.)**

9. West Main Street from Oak Grove to North 3rd avenue, material purchased, plans approved. Total footage 600 feet. **(Had to apply for an extension. Plans approved, materials purchased.)**

10. Thornburgh Hills Road off Bowmantown Road, this is a County project. Total footage 1,890 feet in length. **(Material purchased, no TDEC approval yet.)**

11. East Main Street from Forest Drive to the 24-inch connection. Total footage 2,120 feet. Material purchased, working on plans for TDEC to approve. **(Materials purchased, awaiting plans from Nashville.)**

12. East Main Street from Longview Ave to Forest Drive, total footage 1100 feet. **(Materials purchased working on getting approved plans through TDEC.)**

13. East Main Street to South Lincoln Ave. water line replacement, this is in the Budget this year, total footage 1,700 feet, if approved. **(Materials in storage.)**

14. Russell Circle galvanized replacement in this year's budget, total footage 1,020 if approved.

15. Grandview Drive galvanized replacement in budget, total footage 360 feet, if approved.

16. Campground, not sure what that may involve. **(Materials on hand)**

17. We are currently working with GRW on making Zone 1 larger with a PRV installed somewhere on Old Stagecoach Road Area. **(State approval received, in budget process for 18/19)**

18. Water line for the Jonesborough Fire / Police Department for training off Persimmon Ridge going to the water tank.

19. Sliger Road off Spider Barnes Road water line extension, 1,680 feet, paid in full with approved plans. Tenn. one ticket call for utilities to be located. This is for Mr. Caple who is building a home, waiting on the line to be installed.
20. Taylor Bridge Road line extension off Jackson Bridge Road, for Joe Wilson and Jason Day. Plans approve, paid in full with 300 feet of pipe.
21. Taylor Drive off Sycamore Drive, 380 feet in length. This line extension is paid in full and material has been bid out, with approved plans. Jack White has his service line installed waiting on Jonesborough. Waiting on material to arrive.
22. Sliger Road / Sliger Drive off Treadway Trail. This line extension is 4,200 feet in length. We have around 1,000 feet installed. It has two 12-inch bores on this project. It is funded by Washington County. (Appx. 70% complete.) (The crew hit rock and is going to have to rent a rock hammer.)
23. Eden Estates off Sugar Hollow Road for Kelly Wolfe. This is in the planning stage consisting of 1,345 feet of water main. Roads will be cut in the near future for this project. **(Awaiting plans.)**
24. Boones Creek / East Jackson Blvd. TDOT project. We have 400 feet to relocate, once a decision is made pertain to the bridge going to the Dollar Store. We have already relocated several water valves and water meters, on this project.
25. Fire Hydrant installation at intersection of Rhudy Lane. (County approved and paid for materials. Installation complete)

Complete Started

5. Approve the following Committee Reports: Jonesborough Board of Zoning and Appeals, Jonesborough Planning Commission, and Historic Zoning Commission.
6. Approve the following Supervisor Reports: Parks and Recreation Director, Water Distribution, Building Inspector, Fire Department, Director of Tourism and Main Street, Visitor Center Manager, Water Plant, Solid Waste and Recycling, McKinney Center, Mary B Martin Program Director, Event Coordinator, Police Department, Recreation Capital Project Planner, JRT Artistic Director, Website Manager, Marketing Director, Fleet Maintenance Director, Street Department, and Animal Control.

7. Accept the resignation of Justin Hazlewood, Public Safety Officer, with an effective date of March 24, 2019, and Jeromy Proffitt, Water Plant Operator I, with an effective date of April 14, 2019.
8. Accept the resignation of Marsha Grindstaff as a full-time dispatcher, and approve her going to part-time status as a dispatcher in the same Grade 4, Step 4 (\$12.96 per hour) she is in currently.
9. Approve the hiring of Jack McKee as Sewer Construction Supervisor in the Wastewater Department at Grade 10, Step 9 (\$41,888), subject to all pre-employment conditions including WorkSteps.
10. Approve the hiring of Gabe Gray as Seasonal Water Park Director for Wetlands Water Park at Grade 13, Step 1 (\$18.40 per hour), subject to all pre-employment conditions.
11. Approve a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a \$5,000 Driver Safety Grant from the Public Entity Partners matching grant program.

INSERT RESOLUTION

12. Approve the charges and fees for daily passes, rentals, swim lessons, and food items for the 2019 Wetlands Water Park Season, as follows:

<u>Season Passes:</u>	<u>Regular Price</u>	<u>4/8/19 – 5/10/19 Discount Price</u>
Adult	\$80.00	\$70.00
Child/Senior Adult	\$60.00	\$50.00

Season Pass Advantages:

Wet & Wild Wednesday – Season Pass Holders get their guests (up to 4) a 20%

off discount on their admission

Everyday Deals! – Season Pass Holders can take advantage of the following great deals every day (Pass must be presented at time of purchase):

- \$1.00 off Large Fountain Parks
- \$1.00 off Tube Rentals
- \$10.00 off Swim Lessons
- \$25.00 off Birthday Party Packages
- \$50.00 off After Hours/Private Party Rentals

Daily Passes:

Adult - \$12.00 (13 and up)
 Seniors – \$9.00 (55+ Years)

Child - \$9.00 (4 – 12 Years); (3 and Under– Free)
Family Four Pack - \$38 (2 Adults/2 Children)
Tickets half-price after 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY FUNDAY – All tickets are \$9.00

Private Parties:

Minimum of 2 hours; Maximum of 3 hours for up to 200 people; Additional \$2.00 per person over 200 people; 2-hour party - \$600; 3-hour party - \$800.00

Birthday Parties:

Minimum of \$220.00 for up to 10 Children and 2 Adults
Each Additional Child over the 10 will be \$15.00
Price includes admission, 1 hot dog, 1 bag of chips, 1 small drink per child,
One-fourth (1/4) Sheet Cake with Wetlands logo

Pavilion Rental: \$25.00 per hour (2-hour minimum)

Group Discounts: 10% for groups of 10 or more booked in advance

Non-Profit Service Group Discounts: 10% discount 10–19 people;
20% discount 20–29 people; 30% discount 30 or more people

Tube Rentals and Locker Rental:

\$4.00 per tube (\$3.00 charge + \$1.00 deposit – refunded when tube is returned)

\$7.00 per locker (\$2.00 charge + \$5.00 deposit – refunded when lock and key are returned)

Swim Lessons:

\$60.00 per child – Monday – Thursday (4 sessions) 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Season Pass holders are eligible for a \$10.00 discount

Session 1: June 17 – 20 Session 2: June 24 – 27

Session 3: July 8 – 11 Session 4: July 15 – 18

Special Events and Pricing

May 18 – May 19 – Sneak Peek Days - \$9.00 per person

The Water Park will be open Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m. -- Tickets for ages 4 and up will be \$9.00 for the day with half-price tickets beginning at 3:00 p.m.

May 23 – End of School Bash (3:00 pm – 8:00 pm) \$5.00 per person

The Water Park will be open Thursday, May 24 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tickets for ages 4 and up will be \$5.00

May 25 – Grand Opening

Normal Daily Operation Begins – Hours: Monday-Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday Funday begins – Tickets for ages 4 and up are \$9.00 each, every Sunday

June 16 – Little League Night (6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.) - \$3.00 per person

The Water Park will be open Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m. -- Tickets for ages 4 and up will be \$9.00 for the day with half-price tickets beginning at 3:00 p.m.

July 7 – Praise By The Pool (6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) - \$3.00 per person

Bring your church group or organization. Event features contemporary Christian music. Café open until 8:00 p.m.

July 19 – Fun For All Friday – Extended Hours & Free Movie

The Water Park is open 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. (regular priced tickets)

After 3:00 p.m., tickets are half priced. Café will be open until 7:00 p.m.

A free movie will be played at Persimmon Ridge Ballfield at 8:45 p.m.

Bring your own chairs and blankets.

August 4 – Back to School Bash (6:00 pm – 9:00 pm) \$3.00 per person

Come out and enjoy an evening of swimming before the school bell rings!

Café open until 8:00 p.m.

Beginning August 6 – Open Weekends Only

2019 CAFÉ MENU

- \$2.50 – Hot Dog (Plain)
- \$2.75 – Hot Dog w/Chili
- \$3.00 – Polish Sausage
- \$4.00 – Pulled Pork BBQ Sandwich
- \$3.00 – Chicken Fryz
- \$3.50 – Grilled Chicken Sandwich
- \$4.00 – Grilled Chicken Sandwich w/Cheese
- \$3.50 – Hamburger
- \$4.00 – Hamburger w/Cheese
- \$2.50 – French Fries
- \$3.00 – Nachos w/Cheese
- \$3.50 – Nachos w/Cheese & Chili
- \$2.50 – Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich
- \$2.00 – Pretzel
- \$2.25 – Pretzel with Cheese
- \$3.50 – Cheese Sticks

\$1.50 – Chips
\$4.00 – Cheese Pizza
\$4.50 – Pepperoni Pizza
\$4.00 – Cheese Bread
\$4.00 – Salad
\$2.50 – Small Fountain Drink
\$3.50 – Large Fountain Drink
\$2.50 – Bottled Soda
\$2.50 – Vitamin Water
\$2.00 – Bottled Water

Ice Cream:

\$2.50 – Dip n Dots: Cookie Dough, Banana Spilt, Cotton Candy, Bubble Gum
Cookies & Cream, Birthday Cake, Mint Chip
\$2.50 – Chaco Taco
\$3.00 – Snicker Ice Cream Bar
\$2.00 – Strawberry Shortcake Bar
\$1.50 – Orange Push-Up
\$1.50 – Ice Cream Sandwiches
\$1.50 – Popsicle

13. Approve the contract with Blackburn, Childers and Steagall to undertake the audit of all Town funds for FY2018-2019 for the cost of \$43,000 for the regular audit and \$1,500 for additional testing of the census of the Town's pension plan with Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System for a total of \$44,500.

INSERT AUDIT CONTRACT

14. Approve the Special Event Permit application for the Heritage Alliance to hold the Christopher Taylor Rededication and Raise the Roof Celebration at the Christopher Taylor House lot, June 22, 2019, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., subject to the Town Attorney's review and approval of the proof of insurance and Hold-Harmless Agreement.
15. Approve the Special Event Permit application from the Washington County, Tennessee, Heritage Fair to be held Friday, May 17, 2019, from 9:00 am to 4:00 p.m., in various locations within the downtown area of Jonesborough, including the Visitor Center, Mill Spring Park, and Jimmy Neil Smith Park, subject to the Town Attorney's review and approval of the proof of insurance and Hold-Harmless Agreement.

The next item for discussion was the Financial Report. Mayor Vest said the Financial Report looks great and noted that there was a 6% increase in January sales tax revenue which is above the national average. He said the Town Recorder and her staff do a great job. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any questions or comments. There were none. The motion to approve the Financial Report as

presented was made by Alderman Dickson, seconded by Alderman Callahan and duly passed.

Communications from the Mayor was the next item on the agenda. Mayor Vest said he had talked with Jeff Thomas, Director of Solid Waste and Recycling, about the Town's recycling program. He said Mr. Thomas said the recycling program is doing great; his crew separates the collected recyclables which avoids contamination problems. Mayor Vest said he had received an email from a Town citizen in regards to ADA compliance in some of the Town's facilities. He said he has asked Bob Browning and Chief Phil Fritts to look into getting the facilities into compliance. Bob Browning said we are in compliance, but we can do better. Mayor Vest said the Masterpiece Mingle fundraiser that was held on Friday, April 8th, at the McKinney Center was an incredible event.

Mayor Vest said there was a vacancy on the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee and Senior Center Director Mary Sanger is recommending Sandi Miles be appointed to fill the vacancy. Alderman Causey made the motion to appoint Sandi Miles to the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee with her term ending April, 2022, seconded by Alderman Dickson and passed unanimously.

Mayor Vest said that the Town's Arbor Day Celebration will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, April 26, 2019, and read the following Proclamation:

INSERT PROCLAMATION

Mayor Vest said it was good to see another successful show at the JRT; the "Miracle Worker" came in at a healthy profit. Mayor Vest announced that Jules Corriere, Mary B. Martin Program Outreach Director, had received the highest score in the State from the Tennessee Arts Commission, Literacy Category, for a \$4,950 grant in support of the Jonesborough Yarn Exchange Radio Program. He said there is much to be proud of there and thanked Jules and the McKinney Center staff for receiving that grant. Mayor Vest said we have a resignation from Justin Hazlewood who has been on the Police force for a long time. He said Mr. Hazlewood is resigning to take a position as a professor in Criminal Justice at Alice Lloyd College beginning this fall. Mayor Vest said Mr. Hazlewood's separation letter is one of the best he has ever read praising the Police Department and our Town, and he appreciates Justin for his letter.

Mayor Vest asked David Wright to come forward to accept the April, 2019, Employee of the Month Award. Mayor Vest read the following nomination letter for Mr. Wright:

David Wright assumed the position of Lead Operator at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in January of 2018. His knowledge and understanding of wastewater treatment have proven beneficial to our department throughout his employment. However, his ability to maintain compliant operation of the WWTP during emergency operations is where his expertise really shines. Tennessee was placed in a State of

Emergency by Gov. Bill Lee on February 23, 2019, due to rainfall and flooding. The State of Emergency was due to 10 days of continuous rainfall, with a total accumulation of nearly 6 inches of precipitation. This amount of rainfall resulted in a system wide inundation of water into the sewer system. All of this water had to be treated at the Wastewater Plant, which resulted in substantially increased flow. The rate of flow at the Wastewater Plant was more than double the rated capacity of the plant for 7 days. Flow has remained above rated capacity throughout the month of March. Plant adjustments were made by Mr. Wright to ensure compliance. This included a shift change from an 8 hour to a 24 hour a day operation, which lasted nearly 2 weeks. During this time Mr. Wright was essential in ensuring operations were maintained at the highest possible standard. His efforts resulted in compliance with all NPDES parameters. Mr. Wright's ability to properly read, understand, and adjust to the emergency situation, as required, are more than enough reasons to warrant this recommendation. However, completing these tasks in a professional and courteous manner, often with a smile on his face, is why David Wright deserves to be Employee of the Month. Submitted by: Cobern Rasnick, Environmental Services Director

Mayor Vest asked David Wright if he had any comments. Mr. Wright thanked the Board and said it wasn't just him alone; it took the whole crew to get the job done.

Alderman Communications was the next item on the agenda. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any comments. Alderman Callahan said the more he learns about our wastewater system and the adversities the department faces, he realizes the jobs those guys are doing is outstanding; this is definitely well-deserved to give the Wastewater Department praise, and he thanked them for all their hard work. There were no further comments.

Town Attorney Comments was the next item on the agenda. Attorney Wheeler reported there has been an Opioid Lawsuit filed by District Attorneys in our area including the Washington County District Attorney Ken Baldwin, who actually inherited the case. He said as a part of that suit the Town received a subpoena last summer that would have required hours and hours of work in getting the records together to comply with that subpoena. Attorney Wheeler said the Town joined with a group of other municipalities and governmental entities to oppose the subpoenas. TML council handled this and the Town didn't have to pay anything for that representation. He said a law firm in Nashville represented the District Attorneys. Attorney Wheeler said we got the ruling this week that the Judge has quashed those subpoenas which means they are no longer in effect, so at this point we will not have to comply with them. He said the Judge has also ordered that opposing counsel is not allowed to contact the Town in any way and they will have to get all their discovery and information through the District Attorneys. He said we still may have to provide information to the District Attorneys but it will be much more focused and it's really a "fishing expedition" on their part.

Attorney Wheeler said regarding the Cochran Lawsuit, where the Town Police Department was sued, the Court of Appeals ruled in the Town's favor this week and that lawsuit is over unless Cochran asks permission from the Supreme Court to appeal, and it is not clear that the Supreme Court would grant that. He said they have 60 days to

appeal and after that it will be final. Mr. Wheeler said at this time there is no litigation being handled by our insurance defense attorney on behalf of the Town; there is one civil lawsuit we are waiting to be dismissed. He said for the first time in twenty years, the Town has no pending lawsuits and the credit for that goes to Town staff. He said they do a very good job handling complaints and are very professional; the Town doesn't get that many complaints, and it's amazing at the decrease in issues that have to be dealt with in court. Attorney Wheeler said the Town has had two wins this week.

Attorney Wheeler said he needs to meet with the Board in Executive Session related to potential litigation. He said it is not anything the Town is being sued for, but there is a potential for litigation. He said the BMA will not need to make any decisions tonight so the Mayor can adjourn the meeting before we go into Executive Session.

Citizen Comments was the next item on the agenda. Mayor Vest asked if there were any citizens who would like to address the Board. Ruth Verhegge, 601 West Main Street, President of Paws in Blue, Inc., said she would like to officially thank the people of this Town for the support that they demonstrated for Paws In Blue at the fundraiser held at Pizza Plus, and she and the other Paws in Blue Board Members are very grateful. She said they raised enough funds to support one dog for a year. Mayor Vest said Ruth does great work with Paws In Blue; he added that the Police Department now has four K-9's.

Carol Salinas, 303 West Main Street, said she had been talking to several people in the ETSU Publicity Dept. and they were asking why the Town didn't have the Corazon Latino Festival back in Jonesborough. Ms. Salinas said the event was held in Jonesborough several years ago, and as far as ETSU was concerned, it was extremely successful. She said ETSU does not like being confined to Founders Park and a lot of people came to Jonesborough who don't go to Founders Park. Ms. Salinas said she told ETSU that she would bring the issue to the attention of the BMA. Bob Browning asked Mayor Vest if he could address the issue. Mr. Browning said we were glad to have the Corazon Latino Festival in Jonesborough, and we encouraged them to come to Jonesborough. He said we felt like they had a good event and was proud for them to be here. Mr. Browning said what the Town was told was that because it was an ETSU affiliated event, the organizers felt that Jonesborough was too far away from the University. He said it was not our decision; we would be glad to have the event back in Jonesborough, but the organizers made the decision to go back to ETSU. Mr. Browning said if something has changed in terms of leadership at the university, it is our kind of activity, and we will be glad to talk to them again. Mr. Browning said we would certainly work hard to make it a successful event. Ms. Salinas said they really enjoyed being in Jonesborough, and she would pass the word on.

Mayor Vest asked Mr. Browning if the Festival resulted in a street closure or was it in one of our parks. Mr. Browning said it was on Main Street. Mayor Vest said this is something he has talked about a couple of times; he feels that at some point we need to decide how many times we close Main Street. Mr. Browning said a lot of it depends on the number of people an event draws. He said if it brings a lot of people in, then there is

also the issue of access to parking. He said if you close some parking lots such as the one behind the Courthouse, it becomes more difficult for people to get to stores that may be open and are not affiliated or participating in an event. Mr. Browning said there are a lot of different issues related to an event. He said we try, especially on the weekend, to be careful about having no activity going on during the day and a lot of times those activities are in the evening when a lot of shops are closed anyway. He said we try to provide a base of customers to give people a reason to stay open; it just depends on the event. Mr. Browning said he certainly does agree that Main Street doesn't need to be closed often.

Mayor Vest said the next item for discussion was item 11-c the Special Events request for Brews and Tunes – 2019 Season, which was pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion. Mayor Vest said Mr. Browning gave the BMA a write up with a recommendation to consider, and he feels it is worth considering the recommendation to change the Brews and Tunes description from “on-premise consumption of beer” wording to “alcoholic beverages” to allow for wine or other alcoholic beverages to be served in addition to beer. He said we just need to cover all our basis and not have to come back at a later date to approve the change. Mayor Vest asked if there was any discussion about the 2019 Brews and Tunes season and the proposed change. He said it is really a great event and one of his favorite things to attend. Alderman Dickson said he wants to go on record as having something to say, but he wants to preface his comments by saying he is not in favor of being called a prude or being called backward or being called ignorant. He said he does not like being called any of the three. Alderman Dickson said he thinks he is a fairly open-minded man and thinks he is certainly able to understand the world in which we live and the times in which we live. He said he remembers back in the early 2000's when this Town dealt with liquor-by-the drink. He said he remembers how tough and close the election was and the people who supported liquor-by-the-drink won, and if the vote was taken today, he thinks the voters of Jonesborough would be overwhelmingly in support of liquor-by-the drink. Alderman Dickson said when we talk about the Town of Jonesborough in the years after 2002 when the vote was taken, he thinks that this Town has been very proactive in trying to include the people who were not in support of liquor-by-the drink. He said if you notice over the years we have become more open-minded in terms of restaurants having ABC permits and serving alcohol. He said you haven't seen a huge eruption from the anti-liquor-by-the-drink contingent, and we have remained harmonious. Alderman Dickson said if you look at the second paragraph in the write-up we received, the Town Administrator used a particular term calling Brews and Tunes “a family event”. He said there are different interpretations as to what that means; there are a lot of people in the 21st century who are progressive and who may have a different interpretation of that phrase than some folks in Northeast Tennessee. Alderman Dickson said he just hopes that Jonesborough will continue to do what we're doing in being proactive in bringing people to the table and getting everyone's input as to where we want to go as a community. He said instead of just rushing something and it coming back on the BMA to be a slap-in-the-face, he thinks it would behoove the Board to slow down a little bit, bring people to the table, and make sure that we're having conversations about where we need to go. Alderman Dickson said he thinks there is

some wisdom there, and it would behoove us just to be a little patient. He said we can get through this season of Brews and Tunes the way it is, and then maybe look at changing the event in the future. He said the BMA supports Brews and Tunes, and it has been a successful event; so in the spirit of community, why not bring people to the table to say that we know certain people disagree with this but this is how we would like to proceed. He said it is just bringing everybody along so that we can move forward as a community. Alderman Dickson said he is just humbly asking that for the time being we be patient and move forward in a spirit of cooperation. He emphasized that this has absolutely nothing to do with some kind of moral position. Alderman Dickson said he wanted to be careful with his words, but is going to go ahead and say it: just because you have a platform does not mean that you have the right to play God. He said he doesn't believe that as elected officials we need to be telling people how to live. He said this has absolutely nothing to do with that, but has everything to do with our community and making sure we are all supportive of each other and moving forward. Mayor Vest said one thing about this event and others is that people in Jonesborough tend to conduct themselves well and we have had very few problems at any of the Town's events which is a tribute to our people. He asked Alderman Dickson to clarify what he meant about being patient and not rushing. Alderman Dickson said being patient in particular about alcoholic beverages at Town events. He said you want, at least you have suggested, that we include language for "alcoholic beverages" to be served at Brews and Tunes. Mayor Vest said it's just replacing "beer" with "alcoholic beverages" in case we ever wanted to include wine at the event, but it's not the end of world if the wording is not changed. Alderman Dickson said then we get into the potential dynamics of being on the plaza of the Storytelling Center serving mixed beverages on Sunday. He said it was a point of evolution to get to craft beer. He said he is just saying that again for Northeast Tennessee, let us walk with our people; we could easily vote to change the event and just wag our finger and then say, "Hey look, get over it", but we could also choose to walk with our people. He said Brews and Tunes is a well-handled event and nothing has gone wrong in all the years that we have sponsored it, so let's walk with our people and try to get them to come along. Alderman Dickson said he is so grateful to Curtis Buchanan. He said knowing my views on craft beer, Curtis took the time to pull me off to the side; he didn't berate me, he didn't look down on me, but he talked to me about the whole idea of the craft beer movement: He said regardless of what I felt about it, I was open to the idea because again somebody was willing to walk with me. Alderman Dickson said he believes that Curtis, even though Curtis may have had his feelings about that particular issue, saw me as part of the community and he included me. Alderman Dickson said there is worth if we are patient and walk with some people in the Town of Jonesborough who do not necessarily approve of serving alcohol at Town events; let's bring them to the table to talk about it. He said you are not asking for anything; you are just bringing them along so that we can move forward as a community, and maybe next season we could make the change being recommended. Mayor Vest said he did not think anybody is advocating changing what we are doing at Brews and Tunes or making anything different than what it is. Mayor Vest asked if there was any other discussion. Alderman Causey said at one point Mayor Vest talked about changing Brews and Tunes to Saturday instead of Sunday, and asked if that idea had been explored. Mayor Vest said that would be a

question for Melinda Copp, Events Coordinator. Ms. Copp said the initial idea of Brews and Tunes was to help bring people to Jonesborough on Sundays and give businesses that are open on Sundays an audience. Ms. Copp said as we progressed some businesses have stayed open and some have not which is a personal and business choice. She said she thinks that having it on Sunday is still a big part of the event. She said one reason is that we wouldn't be able to afford bands on Saturday; we only pay \$250 for each of the bands on Sunday afternoon and that's mainly because there really is no competition on Sunday afternoon. Ms. Copp said she thinks people like it because there is not really anything else to do on Sunday afternoon. She said on Saturday there is so much going on and honestly it would conflict with a lot of Town events on Saturdays. She said we probably wouldn't be able to do it but every other Saturday or once a month because there are so many different events and so much competition with weddings and events that we really wouldn't be able to do it that often. Mayor Vest said we know there have always been concerns by some people about it being on Sunday. He said it is a great event, and no matter what day you hold it on, Saturdays or Sundays, it would still be successful. Mayor Vest asked if there were any other comments. Alderman Callahan said he would just get it out there; everybody knows he is the owner of Tennessee Hills Distillery. He said he really appreciates Alderman Dickson's input. Alderman Callahan said his feeling on the whole thing is everybody that serves beer at Brews and Tunes is bartender certified and whether someone drinks ten beers or three cocktails, if they get drunk at Brews and Tunes, it could get out of hand. He said if you have ever been to any of the events he puts on up on the hill, we never once had any kind confrontation; the cops have not been called and everybody has a great time; we have been able to donate a lot of money, and nobody has been to jail. Alderman Callahan said his feeling, not as an Alderman but as Stephen the business owner, is that he is highly invested in this Town. He said we do a lot for this town; we advertise a lot for this Town and everything that we do says Jonesborough, Tennessee, on it. He said if you are going to call something Brews and Tunes, he thinks you have to have all or nothing; if you are going to serve beer, then let's serve some wine and liquor, too; if not, let's just call it Tunes on Sunday. Alderman Callahan said it is an equality thing, and he appreciates and totally sees Alderman Dickson's point of view, and the fact that the event is on Sunday is not his fault. He said he does things in a respectful way and had discussed with Melinda Copp the fact that TN Hills Distillery would sponsor Brews and Tunes once a month and would donate the proceeds to a Jonesborough charity such as Paws In Blue. He said TN Hills participated in Masterpiece Mingle at the McKinney Center a few days ago; there were no flaws, everyone had a great time, and he is going to donate \$500 to the McKinney Center. He said he thinks it's a win-win and we appreciate you allowing us to be here in Town and we appreciate your support of our business. Alderman Callahan said as a business owner he would not let anybody make a fool out of TN Hills Distillery or our Town. Mayor Vest said he agreed with Alderman Callahan and as he stated earlier, people here in Jonesborough conduct themselves well. He said for the sake of the Brews and Tunes 2019 Season and from what Alderman Dickson said, he understands now what he means by slowing down, and it doesn't seem like a big issue for him. Mayor Vest said but what is important is to get the Special Event Request approved as recommended, and if we want to make a change to that, we can have more discussions

in the future. Alderman Callahan asked Mayor Vest if the Board could take a ten minute recess. Mayor Vest announced a brief recess. After the recess, Mayor Vest announced the meeting was back in session. Mayor Vest said he appreciated the discussion and was grateful that in Jonesborough we tend to discuss things and we value people and differences of opinions; if we all thought the same way; it would be a boring life. He said it is always good to have differences of opinion because that is how you come to the best results. Mayor Vest said you see the recommendation as written and his recommendation is to proceed as recommended, and called for a motion. Alderman Callahan recused himself from the vote. Mayor Vest said Alderman Callahan recused himself and called for a motion to approve the Brews and Tunes 2019 Season. Alderman Dickson made the motion, seconded by Alderman Causey, to approve Brews and Tunes being held on the Storytelling Plaza for the 2019 season beginning June 2, 2019, through September 29, 2019, plus any Halloween event, beginning at 4:00 p.m. on Sundays, as presented, including the on-premise consumption of beer. Upon call of the roll the following Alderman voted Aye: Alderman Dickson, Aldermen Causey. The motion passed.

The first item under Old Business was second and final reading of an Ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 1, Intoxicating Liquors, of the Jonesborough Municipal Code, regarding the five percent (5%) inspection fee on wholesale alcoholic beverages manufactured in the Town of Jonesborough. Attorney Jim Wheeler recommended one change to the Ordinance adding the phrase, “*retailer of alcoholic beverages as defined by Tennessee Code Annotated Section 57-3-101*”. There being no further discussion, Alderman Causey made the motion to approve on second and final reading the Ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 2-108 (17) of the Jonesborough Municipal Code exempting alcoholic products manufactured by a distillery located and operated within the corporate limits of the Town from the 5% inspection fee referenced in Section 2-108(17) of Title 2, Chapter 1, with the change recommended by the Town Attorney. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dickson and duly passed.

INSERT ORDINANCE

The first item under New Business was an agreement with GRW Engineering for a Water Investigation Study for the area north of Jackson Boulevard. Mr. Browning said there are developments being planned in this area that involve the high ridges area off North Cherokee Street above Smith Lane, an area out Boones Creek Road across from Farm Bureau, and on Old Boones Creek Road all inside the Town limits. Mayor Vest said it is important to have good water service and infrastructure for future growth. Alderman Dickson said we need to help all these new developments coming into Jonesborough. There being no further discussion, Alderman Dickson made the motion, seconded by Alderman Causey and duly passed to approve entering into a contract with GRW Engineering for a Water Investigation Study in the area north of Jackson Blvd, within or adjacent to the Town’s corporate limits, for the purpose of providing good water service for future development, not to exceed \$10,000.

INSERT AGREEMENT

The next item for discussion was a parking space lease agreement with Ralph Billington (Stephenson House), 120 South Cherokee Street, for two parking spaces in front of his house on S. Cherokee St, with Mr. Billington taking the area as is and being responsible for any striping, re-paving or upkeep during the term of the lease through December 31, 2030; and with the understanding that the lease does not guarantee Mr. Billington access to the leased space during certain Town events when the streets are closed. There being no discussion, Alderman Callahan made the motion to approve the lease agreement with Ralph Billington that gives him the right to park vehicles in a limited asphalted space in front of his house at 120 S. Cherokee Street that is owned by the Town, as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderman Causey and duly passed.

INSERT AGREEMENT

The next item for discussion was the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) FY2019-2020 State Highway Maintenance Contract for the routine maintenance work tasks on State routes within Jonesborough city limits, which includes snow removal, litter removal, and mowing of medians. The maximum amount of funding TDOT will provide through the contract is \$39,195.60. There being no discussion, Alderman Causey made the motion to approve the FY2019-2020 TDOT State Highway Maintenance Contract for an amount not to exceed \$39,195.60, as presented.

INSERT AGREEMENT

The next item for discussion was the recommendation for a revision in the Senior Center Operating Policies related to tobacco use. Mayor Vest said there is nothing major here; the Senior Center is updating its tobacco use policy to include all types of tobacco use, including vaping. Mayor Vest asked the Aldermen if they had any questions concerning the policy change. Alderman Causey said this would be a good policy for all Town facilities. Mayor Vest and Alderman Callahan agreed. Mayor Vest said he would like to see Alderman Causey bring that recommendation back to the Board. Alderman Causey asked Mr. Browning to bring this policy back to the BMA to include all Town facilities. Mayor Vest agreed. Alderman Causey made the motion to approve the revision to the Senior Center Operating Policies associated with tobacco use, as presented, seconded by Alderman Dickson and duly passed.

INSERT POLICY

There being no further business, Mayor Vest adjourned the meeting.

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