

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

CALLED MEETING

September 16, 2014

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BMA) met in a Called Session on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, at 8:00 a.m., at Town Hall, 123 Boone Street, Jonesborough, TN.

Mayor Wolfe called the meeting to order. Alderman Dickson led the group in an opening Prayer, and Mayor Wolfe led the pledge to the Flag.

Upon call of the roll those present were: Mayor Kelly Wolfe, Alderman Terry Countermine, Alderman Adam Dickson, Alderman Homer G'Fellers and Alderman Chuck Vest. Also present were: Attorney Jim Wheeler and Town Recorder Abbey Miller.

The first item on the agenda was the amendment to the Special Event Permit application for the National Storytelling Festival. Mayor Wolfe said this is dealing with liability and enforcement issues and Attorney Wheeler felt the Board should take action to lower the speed limit on Boone Street to 5 miles per hour and approve it as part of the festival boundaries. Motion was made by Alderman Countermine, seconded by Alderman Vest and duly passed to approve an amendment to the Special Event Permit application submitted for the National Storytelling Festival by the International Storytelling Center to include Boone Street from Main Street to the entrance of the Roadrunner-Shell Market in the festival boundary, as well as Sabin Drive from College Street at the Library to Oak Hill School (driveway to AmericInn), and establishing a 5 mile per hour speed limit on these two streets as well as the remaining festival boundary.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of a Special Event application for a benefit fundraiser "Ridin' for Luke". Mayor Wolfe said none of us knows how we would feel in a situation like this young man is facing at 36 years old. He said he spoke with Luke Story recently and Luke expressed to him that in his moment of greatest need he is highly aware and appreciative of the fact that our Town is his family at this point and are there for him. He said Luke is facing this very bravely and expressed how proud we are of Luke. Mayor Wolfe said there are a lot of ways to express our love for Luke, through our prayers and through an event like this, and added that Luke doesn't need to worry about money at this time. The Mayor encouraged Board members to stop by First Tennessee Bank where an account has been established to accept donations to help with Luke's expenses. He encouraged anyone to stop by and talk to Craig Ford or Virginia Causey if they feel there are other ways we can help Luke. He said this is what God calls us to do. Alderman G'Fellers made the motion, seconded by Alderman Countermine and duly passed to approve the Special Events Permit request from the Johnson City Firefighters Association as presented subject to the review and approval of the hold-harmless agreement and proof of insurance documents by the Town Attorney.

Alderman Dickson said he agrees with all that has been said and suggested that we also think about Ms Story because she has a husband and son who have cancer. He said Ms. Story is a wonderful lady and asked that a card go out to her.

Mayor Wolfe said that on September 28th at 2:00 p.m. at the Visitor Center there will be a reception recognizing the Dukes sculptures that have been reinstalled on a wall at the Visitor Center.

Mayor Wolfe adjourned the meeting.

ABBAY MILLER, RECORDER

KELLY WOLFE, MAYOR