

## Minutes for the Meeting

March 17, 2014

5:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Old Fort Board of Alderman was held in the board room of the Old Fort Town Hall on March 17, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

**Governing Board Members present:** Mayor Rick Hensley, Alderman Charlie Pyles, Norman Logan, Greg Piercy, Melvin Lytle Jr., and Wayne Stafford.

**Staff Members present:** Renee' Taylor (Finance Officer/Town Clerk)

**Visitors:** Harry Carroll, Marsha Tolbert, David Hart, David Lanning, Jane Lanning, Harry Kidd, Hazel Hensley, Tonia Hampton, Carroll Trantham, Maggi Jones, Freeman Jones, Jeff Parker, Donnie Massingill, Rev Timothy Sigmon, Lu Ann Sigmon, John Sullivan, Susie Painter, Francis Parker, Edwin Hudgins, Beverly Heldman, Drew Heldman, Deenie Owen, Brad Owen, Kelly Coons, Renee Smith, Dana Hallfors

**Meeting was opened by:** Mayor Rick Hensley

**Prayer:** Opening prayer was led by Alderman Norman Logan

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Alderman Charlie Pyles led the pledge of allegiance.

### **Approve the Minutes:**

Alderman Norman Logan made the motion approve the minutes. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

### **Approve the Invoices:**

Alderman Wayne Stafford made the motion to approve the invoices. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

### **Public Comments:**

There were several citizens from inside and outside city limits that came to ask the board to consider letting beer and wine be on the ballot in November. There were lengthy discussions from citizens for the matter and citizens against the matter.

Marsha Tolbert addressed the board that she spoke to the building inspector and he told her if she had a half acres she had enough property to build on. Alderman Charlie Pyles voiced his concerns that at this time the town does not have the extra funds to pay for the water and sewer lines to be moved. Alderman Charlie Pyles asked Marsha if she would be able to fund the

project and she said she was a retired and was not able to at this time. Alderman Wayne Stafford made the motion for the town to get an estimate on the cost of moving the lines. The motion died from no second. Mayor Rick Hensley told Marsha at this time the Town does not have the funds for this project.

### **Old Business:**

Mayor Rick Hensley has found a van that he would like for the Alderman to go look at to consider purchase for transporting the inmates each day.

Mayor Rick Hensley let the board know he is still trying to get in touch with someone from Duke Energy about the trees on Spring Street.

Mayor Rick Hensley let the board know we are still taking bids for the roofs that are to be replaced on Police and Old Maintenance shop buildings.

### **New Business:**

Mayor Rick Hensley present the board with a schedule for delinquent tax payment schedule.  
1.00 to 750.00 is to be paid in full in 6 months

750.00 to 1500.00 is to be paid in full in 12 months

1500.00 and over is to be paid in full 18 months

If one payment is missed agreement is broke and has to be paid in full to avoid foreclosure or garnishment no more agreements will be made. Alderman Wayne Stafford made the motion to adopt the schedule. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Rick Hensley presented the president of the Vietnam Veterans a proclamation in Commemoration of Vietnam Veterans.

Mayor Rick Hensley has made a proclamation for Mayor Day of Recognition for National Services for volunteers on April 1, 2014. This will presented to the volunteers at Old Fort Elementary on March 26, 2014.

Mayor Rick Hensley let everyone know that the individuals that approached the town on wanting to buy the old Pisgah building has declined there offer. Mayor Hensley did let everyone know that the building is still for sale but there is steps the town has to follow to sell any property.

Alderman Greg Piercy made the motion for Alderman Melvin Lytle and Charlie Pyles to be on the budget committee. Alderman Norman Logan seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

Alderman Wayne Stafford made the motion that the Town should get a planning board committee again. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in a 5-0 vote.

Alderman Charlie Pyles made the motion for the citizens to vote for the sale of beer and wine in the city limits of the Town of Old Fort. The motion died due to none to second the motion.

Alderman Wayne Stafford asked if any street has been considered for repaving this year. Mayor Rick Hensley asked the alderman to bring to the next meeting names of streets that they feel needs to be repaved.

Alderman Melvin Lytle made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Charlie Pyles seconded this motion, and was approved in 5-0 vote.

Adopted this day \_\_\_\_\_.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk/Finance Officer