

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

MONDAY DECEMBER 2, 2019 AT 5:00 P.M. AT CITY HALL

97 SOUTH JOHNSON STREET, ALAMO, TN 38001

Mayor Emison called the meeting to order.

Roll was called with the following Aldermen present: Kenneth Bodkins, Larry Conder, P.B. Conley and John Reddick.

Invocation was given by Debbie Davis.

Others present: Rita Reasons, Brad York, Ferris Arnold, Neal Towater, Doug Short and Crockett County Mayor Gary Reasons.

Mayor Emison gave his monthly report on the following: 1) The water plant electrical panel had to be replaced. 2) The emergency generator is in service at the water plant. 3) On well #1 the motor shaft was replaced. 4) At the sewer plant the clarifier problem has been resolved. 5) The chlorine pump has reduced the water usage by 90% at the sewer plant. 6) The sanitary survey (water) was performed by TDEC, the town scored 599 of 599. 7) The sales tax for October has dipped and we are not sure of the reason yet. 8) The sales tax distribution update: opinions and discussions with Crockett County Mayor Gary Reasons and Crockett County Trustee Gary Spraggins. 9) If the sales tax issue is resolved, Mayor Emison is considering - a \$2.00 per hour increase for police, LED lights for the ball field, paving and part time. 10) MTAS has sent the revised municipal code that has been updated and the mayor is reviewing it now. 11) The water/sewer fund has an approximate gain in revenue for 2018-2019 in the amount of \$ 232,853 including depreciation. 12) The Town must evaluate sewer liability coverage that will require written policy and training. 13) An offer of employment letter will be ready tomorrow for Jeff Sills.

A motion was made by Alderman Conley to adopt the minutes of the November 2019 minutes and it was seconded by Alderman Conder. All Aldermen voted, Aye. The motion carried.

Mayor Emison stated that Mayor Gary Reasons was attending the meeting and asked if he would like to speak. Mayor Reasons stated the following: Mayor Reasons stated that the opinion letter from Randy Camp was correct concerning the distribution of sales tax based on 50/50% however that 2/3 of sales tax was given to schools. He further stated that the comptroller of the state, legal counsel with CTAS Wesley Robertson and they both stated that it would have be found and written up as a finding if done incorrectly and it was legal and not in violation of the law at this time. The intent of the sales tax was to educate the middle school and high school children of the county. He further stated that the approximate amount would be \$72,000.00 from the town and the town certainly has the right to pull out at any time. Mayor Reasons stated that a good working relationship would continue with the town and that was the county position at the time.

Mayor Emison read Ordinance 2019-8, an ordinance for the vacation of Cherry Street from East Park to the edge of the Alamo City School Ag building. Alderman Conley made a motion to adopt Ordinance

2019-8 and it was seconded by Alderman Bodkins. The voting is as follows: Kenneth Bodkins, Aye, Larry Conder, Aye, P.B. Conley, Aye and John Reddick, Aye.

Mayor Emison read Resolution 2019-14, requesting that TDOT correct a road issue at the intersection of East Church and North Cherry Street. A motion was made by Alderman Conder to table the resolution until cost could be determined and Alderman Conley seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. The motion carried.

Mayor Emison stated the Public Entity Partners sent a letter that the town needed to adopt a written policy and administer training on sewer back-ups. However more research and opinions are needed before we decide on the policies.

With no further business to come before the board Alderman Conley made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Alderman Bodkins. All Aldermen voted, Aye. The meeting was dismissed.