

Minutes  
Special Called Meeting  
Bluff City Board of Mayor and Aldermen  
March 25, 2014

Mayor Wells called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present were Melvin Carrier, David Harmon, Ray Harrington, Lon Gene Leonard and Richard Bowling.

Prayer was given by Alderman Bowling followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Wells opened the floor for Citizen Comments- First Section. There were none.

Mayor Wells opened the floor for the following:

Discussion/Action on Resolution 2014-01 the USDA Grant/Loan Application. City Engineer Dave Wilson was present to discuss application. Mr. Wilson stated that he had sent a sample resolution and he would be happy to answer any questions. City Attorney Paul Frye stated that the application is a loan not to exceed \$1,778,034.00 and a grant for \$762,014.00. Alderman Harmon asked if he was correct in saying that the grant could be more or less. Mr. Wilson stated that up until the very day of closing they would not know because it varies, but it should be extremely close. Mr. Harmon stated that he had said that they could possibly get up to 40% grant. Mr. Wilson stated that as it progresses they will know but this is a realistic figure. Alderman Bowling asked if they could opt not to take it even if it is the day of closing. Mr. Wilson stated yes. Motion to apply for the Grant/Loan was made by Alderman Carrier. Second by Alderman Harmon. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor requested that the board appoint someone else to sign the resolution. Alderman Bowling and Harmon asked why. Mayor Wells stated that she is still trying to figure out where the audit report is and the charter says that if she does not sign it, that does not keep it from going through. Alderman Bowling stated that he felt that since she was Mayor she should sign it. Mayor Wells stated that she realized that but asked if someone would make a motion to have Mr. Harrington as Vice- Mayor to sign it. Vice Mayor Harrington stated that he would sign it if no one else will. Alderman Harmon stated that he did not understand why the Mayor did not want to sign it and he is baffled by that. Mayor Wells stated that the charter says that if she does not sign it someone else can. Alderman Harmon stated that she still must have a reason that she does not want to sign it. Mayor Wells stated that she is still waiting on the audit report to be approved. Alderman Leonard stated that he would sign it. Alderman Harmon made a motion to have Alderman Leonard sign the resolution. Second by Vice-Mayor Harrington. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion/action of free water customers. Alderman Harmon asked if the lady with the water department had been out there. City Manager Dulaney stated no. Alderman Carrier made a motion to have Ms. Dulaney to call an attorney in Nashville about it. Ms. Dulaney stated that she felt that it should be our attorney calling if it is a call to an attorney. City Attorney Paul Frye stated that he was in the dark on this but over the years this issue has been litigated 3 or 4 times that he knows of and the city has lost every time. Alderman Leonard stated that the agreement stated that they are allowed 1 spigot and they have lines everywhere and he is concerned about

cross connection contamination issues. Mr. Leonard stated that he agrees that something needed to be done about it. City Attorney Paul Frye stated that cross connections could be eliminated when they find them, and we can go onto property and inspect for cross connections. Alderman Harmon asked if this meant that the person on free water could open his spigot up and let it continue to run all the time. City Attorney Paul Frye stated that he would provide information to them at the next meeting as to who can do what according to their contracts and the litigation that has occurred. City Manager Dulaney stated that what Alderman Carrier was wanting was to contact an attorney in Nashville who had worked with this type situation before and see if he could help. Alderman Leonard asked if they should wait until Mr. Frye researched it and reported his findings.

Citizen Comments- Second Section.

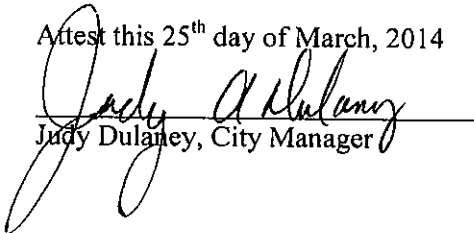
David Smith stated that he agrees with the questions in reference to free water.

With no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Bowling. Second by Vice- Mayor Harrington. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:25.p.m.



Irene Wells, Mayor

Attest this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014



Judy Dulaney, City Manager