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**MINUTES
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN**

October 22, 2013

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mayor Childs.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

City Recorder, Kathy Smith called roll:

Alderman Anderson	"Here"
Alderman Moore	"Here"
Vice Mayor Ruth	"Here"
Alderman Willms	"Here"
Mayor Childs	"Here"

IV. City Recorder's Report of Bank Balances

Kathy Smith presented the City Recorder's Report as follows:

A. General Fund	\$ 39,737
B. Committed Funds (Storm Emergency)	\$ 70,029
C. Street Aid Fund	\$ 109,058
D. Drug Fund	\$ 4,712

V. Public Forum

Signed up to speak were:

Tammy Spain questioned the Christopher Lane Rezone from Agricultural (Ag) to Rural Residential (RA).

Discussion ensued.

Chris Jagoditz advised he would like to wait and speak under the topic of Acceptance of Public Improvements.

Request granted.

Kim Rice stated she is a resident of Oak Pointe Subdivision and voiced her disapproval of the Mayor's seven (7) member Focus Group representing all residents of Oak Pointe.

Mayor Childs assured Ms. Rice that the focus group was not functioning as representatives of Oak Pointe Subdivision. They were chosen because they are residents of Oak Pointe to help identify/clarify the issues there and suggest possible solutions.

David Holman stated he lives at 4127 Sandy Springs Rd and spoke regarding the dangerous intersection at Hwy 257 and Hwy 49. He offered two acres at the intersection if it would help alleviate the danger.

Mayor Childs stated he is working with TDOT to find a solution.

VI. Approve Minutes for June Board Meeting September 24, 2013

Mayor Childs asked for a motion to approve the minutes from September 24th Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting as presented.

Alderman Willms made the motion to accept the meeting minutes of September 24, 2013. Vice Mayor Ruth seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

The roll call was:

Alderman Anderson	“Yes”
Alderman Moore	“Yes”
Vice Mayor Ruth	“Yes”
Alderman Willms	“Yes”

The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Comments from Aldermen/Committee Reports

None

VIII. Police Chief's Report: Activity Report and Solutia Report, Other Items

Chief Sullivan gave the Coopertown Police Department Activity Report covering September 20, 2013 – October 20, 2013.

Mayor Childs presented the Solutia Collection Agency Report dated October 21, 2013, as follows:

Balance forward as of September 20, 2013 = \$393,667.86

Balance of Unpaid Citations turned over to Solutia = \$394,979.86

Total collected to date = \$89,623.50

IX. Old Business

1. Update on:

a. Frierson Chapel

Mayor Childs spoke about a refurbishment plan that was sent to the Tennessee State Historical Commission for approval. He said a tarp was purchased and installed on the roof to keep the rain from further damaging the inside of the Chapel.

b. ICSC Atlanta

Mayor Childs explained that the Atlanta show is coming up on October 29th & 30th and he plans to be there marketing the area around the Interstate.

c. New Police Department Sign

Mayor Childs advised that the new signage and awnings were installed for the Police Department about a week ago. He said the rear door will become the new entrance for court so they can be routed through the new metal detector.

d. Acceptance of Public Improvements

Mayor Childs said he is trying to get the original drawings for all the detention facilities, and the culvert install which will stop some of the erosion in Oak Pointe.

e. Building Commissioner to Issue Citations for Violations of City Codes; TCA 7-63-101

Mayor Childs explained that state law gives the Building Commissioner the right to issue citations even though the Board had earlier voted not to do so.

f. Christmas on the Square, November 23, 2013

Mayor Childs mentioned Coopertown has participated for the past six/seven years. He said there will be two booths this year, one for the town and one for the Historical Commission/Community Development Committee (that does the Barrel Festival). He also announced the need for volunteers to man the booths and a police officer to hand out badges to the children.

X. New Business

1. Summary of Comprehensive Plan

Mayor Childs distributed a summary of the Comprehensive Plan and advised the goal is to have the Comprehensive Plan accepted before the first of the year.

Discussion ensued.

2. Accept Robertson County Comprehensive Plan: Resolution #2013-005

Mayor Childs asked for a motion to adopt the Comprehensive Plan: Resolution #2013-005.

Vice Mayor Ruth made the motion to adopt Resolution #2013-005.
Alderman Willms seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued.

The roll call was:

Alderman Moore	“Yes”
Vice Mayor Ruth	“Yes”
Alderman Willms	“Yes”
Alderman Anderson	“Yes”

The motion passed unanimously.

3. Flood Plain Management Training

Mayor Childs reminded the Board of the Flood Ordinance they passed which allows the Town to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program. The ordinance requires us to implement procedures that help mitigate flood damage and possible casualties for property owners who construct in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). Mayor Childs explained that Tuesday a letter was sent to property owners of 188 parcels that are in a SFHA. There will be a Town Hall meeting for training on the NFIP on Tuesday, November 5, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. to be held in the Coopertown Middle School auditorium.

Mayor Childs explained this Flood Plain training is not only to help educate citizens but also the Board, the Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning Commission members. The training will be facilitated by Sharon and Mike Armstrong with Plans & More, LLP. They will cover the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), share where Coopertown's Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA) are located, and teach attendees about the new changes in legislation known as the Biggert-Waters Act of 2012 which can substantially affect insurance rates for those who have constructed in a Special Flood Hazard Area and most notably, affect those who have not constructed adequately above the base flood elevation (BFE) as required by FEMA and Coopertown's Flood Plain Ordinance.

Mayor Childs asked for a motion to hold the Town Hall meeting to train on the National Flood Insurance Program for Tuesday, November 5th at 6:30 p.m. at Coopertown Middle School.

Vice Mayor Ruth made the motion to hold the training November 5th at 6:30 p.m. at the Middle School.

Alderman Anderson seconded the motion.

The roll call was:

Vice Mayor Ruth	"Yes"
Alderman Willms	"Yes"
Alderman Anderson	"Yes"
Alderman Moore	"Yes"

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Change Board Meeting date

Mayor Childs said that due to the holiday season he would like to propose moving the December Board meeting from December 24 to December 17.

Mayor Childs asked for a motion to move the December Board meeting to December 17.

Alderman Moore made the motion to move the meeting to December 17.

Alderman Willms seconded the motion.

The roll call was:

Alderman Willms	"Yes"
Alderman Anderson	"Yes"
Alderman Moore	"Yes"
Vice Mayor Ruth	"Yes"

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Rezone Three Lots on Christopher Lane: Ordinance #2013-007

Mayor Childs clarified there were three lots left unchanged with a previous rezone.

Parcel 015.00 – Lot 16, #2575 Christopher Lane, Consisting of 1.35 acres

Parcel 016.00 – No Lot #, No 911 Address, Consisting of 1.00 acre

Parcel 006.00 – No Lot #, No 911 Address, Consisting of 2.1 acres

If approved, this would result in all the lots in Cary Estates and on Christopher Lane being zoned Rural Residential (RA) under Ordinance #2013-007.

Alderman Anderson made a motion to rezone the three parcels on Christopher Lane from Agricultural (Ag) to Rural Residential (RA).
Alderman Moore seconded the motion.
Discussion followed.

The roll call was:

Alderman Anderson	"Yes"
Alderman Moore	"Yes"
Vice Mayor Ruth	"Yes"
Alderman Willms	"Yes"

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Disposal of Fire Truck

Mayor Childs advised he was approached by Pleasant View Fire Department about the fire truck which is still housed behind their building on Old Coopertown Road. He mentioned it is one of the first trucks the Town ever bought so it could become a good historical exhibit. The decision by the Board was to tow it from the current location, store it at Frierson Chapel and advertise it for scrap.

Discussion ensued.

XI. Other

Betty Winters asked for verification that the rezone occurred on her Christopher Lane property.

XII. Comments from Mayor

None

XIII. Adjournment

Mayor Childs asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Alderman Moore made the motion to adjourn.

Alderman Anderson seconded the motion.

Mayor Childs asked everyone to stand who is in agreement:

Alderman Anderson	"Stood"
Alderman Moore	"Stood"
Vice Mayor Ruth	"Stood"
Alderman Willms	"Stood"

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Sharon Allen, City Clerk

Minutes approved on: 11-26-13

Signed: J. Sam Childs
J. Sam Childs, Mayor

Attest by: Kathy Smith
Kathy Smith, City Recorder