

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF LOOKOUT
MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE**

December 12, 2017

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Lookout Mountain, Tennessee met in regular session at the Town Hall on Tuesday December 12, 2017 at 5:00 p.m., the following being present:

[See list of attendees attached as Exhibit A hereto]

- 1. Call to order and Declaration of Quorum.** Mayor Mutter called the meeting to order and recognized a quorum for the conduct of business.
- 2. Approval of minutes.** Upon motion of Commissioner Bentley, seconded by Commissioner Stinnett and unanimously approved the minutes of the November 14, 2017 meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners were approved and ordered to be entered into the Town's minute book.
- 3. Financial Report,** Mr. Montague presented the financial report through the month of November, 2017. The report, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit B hereto, was approved upon motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Bentley and unanimous approval. He then turned to the issue of the hacking of the Town's official website and his efforts to correct the issue and his recommendations going forward.
- 4. Department Reports.** Commissioner Bentley reported for the Fire and Police Department and first reviewed the department statistics for the month of November, 2017, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit C hereto. He also discussed the commission and resolution of 19 incidents of theft from vehicles in Tennessee and Georgia through close cooperation and coordination of the two departments. Chief Bowden cited the surveillance cameras for the resolution. Mayor Mutter presented Chief Randall Bowden with a retirement check as traditional recognition for years of service, his

representing 32 years.

5. Commissioner Pippenger reported for the Parks and Recreation Department and advised on the status of the renovation work at Rick Dockery Field, the higher participation in the wrestling program, the opening day plans for opening the field in mid April, 2018.

6. Commissioner Stinnett reported for the Education Department by introducing school principal Ruth White commented on the Christmas holiday programs, the awards received by the school's robotics team which won both the project and execution awards and advanced to the regional competition at Chattanooga State, the spelling Bee scheduled for January 10, 2018 and the scheduling of the annual fundraiser *Night Out For Lookout*.

7. Commissioner Jones reported on the current jobs being undertaken by the Public Works Department and the status of readiness for winter weather and leaf pick-up.

8. Citizens Input. No one appeared to request comment.

9. Old Business. The request of Susan Feuhrer for issuance of a variance for her South Watauga property was considered for passage on second reading. Upon motion of Commissioner Bentley, seconded by Commissioner Pippenger and unanimous approval the ordinance number 195 was passed upon second and final reading.

The matter of the request of Gulf States Towers for a six month extension of its option the build a cellular tower was discussed by Mr Montague with a recommendation to grant the request. Upon motion of Commissioner Stinnett, seconded by Commissioner Jones and unanimous consent the recommendation was accepted and the Mayor authorized to execute a Second Amendment to the Lease Option Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit D.

10. New Business. None presented.

11. Mayor's Report. Mayor Mutter reported that the annual employee

Christmas Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at the Lookout Mountain Golf Club at 7:00 a.m. She encouraged shopping on the mountain for the holidays to support our local merchants. She congratulated Samantha Van Alstyne upon completion of the Municipal Management Academy.

She warned of the dangers created for drivers by the over-population of deer on the mountain.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until the January 9, 2018 regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners.

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