

**COOKEVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 15, 2005  
6:00 P.M.**

The Council of the City of Cookeville met in regular session on Thursday, December 15, 2005, at 6:02 p.m., in the Municipal Building, 45 East Broad Street. Invocation was given by Mayor Womack. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Womack. Mayor Womack then called the meeting to order and asked the Clerk to call the roll. Present and answering roll call were:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

Also present: Jim Shipley, City Manager; Cathy McClain, City Clerk; and Mike O'Mara, City Attorney.

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF  
AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

Vice-Mayor Qualls made a motion, seconded by Councilman Sallee, to amend the agenda by adding item 12 – consider approval of property acquisition for Cookeville Regional Medical Center located at 213 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

**RECOGNIZE VOLUNTEER  
OF THE MONTH**

***PROCLAMATION***

*Whereas:* Ms. Janice Brown is being honored as December's Volunteer of the Month" for her community service and volunteer spirit; and

*Whereas:* Upon being called for Jury Duty, Janice was looking for "more to do" and began volunteering at the County Clerk's office and has been a true jewel; and

*Whereas:* it was discovered that Janice also volunteers for the Cookeville Regional Medical Center and recently earned her 500 hour pin, she volunteers for Meals on Wheels and has participated for more than 20 years for the Order of Eastern Star; and

*Whereas:* perhaps most notable is her service with the American Cancer Society where she is a general volunteer, but as a cancer survivor, works with the Reach to Recovery program where she serves as a role model offering comfort and encouragement to those battling cancer.

*Now, therefore,* I, Dr. Charles Womack, Mayor of the City of Cookeville, do hereby proclaim a sense of profound appreciation to Janice Brown for her volunteerism and service to this community and commend Ms. Brown as Cookeville's Volunteer of the Month. She sets the kind of example we should all strive to follow.

This 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2005.

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Mayor Charles T. Womack, M.D.

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**PRESENTATION OF  
EMPLOYEE SERVICE  
PINS**

Mayor Womack presented the following: Electric Dept. – Beulah Bilbrey 30 years, Randall Coburn 25, Jeff Fitzpatrick 15, Mike Shirley 15, Kevin Burroughs 10, Glen Greenwood 10, Carl Allred 45 & Johnny Maynard 15. Fire Dept. – Matt White 15 years, Chris Holmes 15, Stanley Neal 15, John Kendrick 15 & Jack Murphy 15. Gas Dept. – Jimmy Chaffin 10 years, Jeff Mills 25 & Wayne Dulworth 35. General Dept. – Trilby Leach 5 years, Diana Lafever 5, Cindy Middlebrook 20, Jimmy Stanton 10, Jane Fouch 20, Ron Mahon 15, Cathy Andrews 5, Michael O’Mara 10 & Lynne Davidson 10. Leisure Services & Public Facilities – Janice Myers 25 years, Steve Gwilt 5, Donnie Jones 5, Jimmy Carmack 15 & Cara Sheets 5. Planning & Codes Dept. – David Daniels 10 years, Linda Dillon 10, Steve Corder 10 & Brian Stamm 5. Police Dept. – Joyce Branham 15 years, Boyd Fox 30, Officer Donna Revis 10, Captain Gary Byers 35, Sergeant Steve Marcrom 30, Officer Bobby Anderson 5, Captain Cordell Elrod 30, Officer Chase Mathis 5, Officer Craig Wilkerson 5, Officer Bobby Anderson 5, Officer Michael Green 10 & Sergeant Ken Sircy 15. Public Works Dept. – Terry Lee 10 years, Ron Taylor 10, Larry Byers 5, Wade Goff 15, Debbie Swallows 15, Jake Mayberry 10 & Kevin Buhl 5. Water Quality Control Dept. – Roger Mayberry 30 years, Verse Vaughn 20, Wendall Bush 15, Rick Mayberry 10, Barry Turner 15, Steve Smith 10 & Carey Vaughn 5.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES OF COUNCIL  
MEETING HELD ON  
DECEMBER 1, 2005**

Councilman Shelton made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve said minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sallee. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION  
#R05-12-23, DIRECTING ALL  
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE  
RAIL TRAIL PROJECT BE  
DEPOSITED IN A SEPARATE  
ACCOUNT & THAT ALL  
FUNDS RECEIVED BE USED  
EXCLUSIVELY FOR THIS  
PROJECT**

Mayor Womack read Resolution #R05-12-23.

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Mayor Womack made a motion, seconded by Councilman Sallee, to adopt Resolution #R05-12-23. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

**CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS  
TO THE RAIL TRAIL  
AUTHORITY**

Mayor Womack nominated Keith Lilly & Suzanne Bussell to the Rail Trail Authority.

Councilman Shelton moved that nominations cease and elect by acclamation.

Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

**SET A DATE FOR A PUBLIC  
HEARING ON ORDINANCE  
#005-12-23, CLOSURE AND  
ABANDONMENT AS CITY  
STREET A PORTION OF  
DACCO DRIVE**

Mayor Womack set the date for January 19, 2006, at 6:00 p.m.

**SET A DATE FOR A PUBLIC  
HEARING ON ORDINANCE  
#005-12-24, REZONING  
PROPERTIES LOCATED AT  
5320 OLD SPARTA ROAD,  
ADJOINING VACANT LOT,  
5454, 5496 & 5502 SOUTH  
JEFFERSON AVENUE (TAX  
MAP #96.00, PARCELS 76.00,  
77.00, 78.02, 78.04 & 78.05)  
FROM RS-20 (SINGLE-FAMILY  
RESIDENTIAL) TO CL (LOCAL  
COMMERCIAL)**

Mayor Womack set the date for January 19, 2006, at 6:00 p.m.

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**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF  
EMPLOYEE HEALTH  
INSURANCE CONTRACT  
1-1-06 THROUGH 12-31-06**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** City Council  
City Manager

**FROM:** Michael Davidson, Finance Director *M.D.*

**DATE:** December 9, 2005

**RE:** Health and Life Insurance Renewals – January 2006

The city's current group health insurance plan expires at December 31, 2005. We have worked with BlueCross BlueShield and Cumberland Insurance Group the past two months on the insurance renewal package. The City maintains a self funded plan utilizing the BlueCross BlueShield healthcare network and BlueCross administers our claims. The City pays the first \$125,000 of claims incurred on each individual covered under our plan through premiums paid by the city and employees. Any claims exceeding the \$125,000 deductible are covered by our reinsurance carrier.

Our reinsurance carrier for 2005 was Highmark Life Insurance Company. For 2006, I am recommending that we contract with SunLife Financial for our reinsurance policy. SunLife was our reinsurance carrier from 1998-2003 until they lost our business in 2004 to Highmark. The annual reinsurance premium for 2006 with SunLife is approximately \$221,151 which represents a **\$21,048 savings** from our current reinsurance premium.

The life insurance policy which covers all city employees and retirees is administered by SunLife. SunLife has administered this policy since 1998. SunLife has agreed to a rate hold and will extend our current premium for an additional two years without an increase. The life insurance premium is approximately \$71,318 annually.

As I mentioned earlier, BCBS administers our claims. Currently, the fee charged by BCBS for participation in their network and to administer our claims is \$211,298 annually. The renewal rate for 2006 is \$213,104 which is **less than a 1% increase**.

The renewal numbers for 2006 are encouraging in that overall we have less than a 1% increase in premium expense. Our claims expense has been less than projected the past two years and for 2006 we are projecting a 10% increase in claims. Based on the total projected expenses for our health insurance fund in 2006, I am recommending that the premiums paid by the city and employees remain unchanged for 2006.

If you have any questions please stop by my office or you can reach me at 520-5292.

Councilman Shelton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Davis, to approve the 2006 employee health insurance contract as submitted. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

**CONSIDER REAPPOINTMENTS  
TO THE SEWER REGULATIONS  
APPEALS BOARD**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** City Council  
City Manager

**FROM:** Ronnie J. Kelly, Director *RJK*

**DATE:** December 8, 2005

**SUBJ:** Sewer Regulations Appeals Board

During the December 15th City Council meeting the City Council will need to appoint two members to the Sewer Regulations Appeals Board. The terms of two Board members, Larry Wheaton and Ernie Taubert, have expired. The Board is made up of five members appointed to three-year terms who shall not serve more than two full, three-year terms without a one-year break. The Board is set up to conduct hearings on appeals of decisions of the Director in actions taken under and pursuant to the Sewer Use Ordinance.

We have spoken to Larry Wheaton and Ernie Taubert and they have agreed to serve another three-year term if appointed. It is my recommendation that Larry and Ernie be appointed to an additional three-year term. Their terms would expire in December of 2008.

If you have any questions concerning these appointments please give me a call.

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Councilman Shelton made a motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Qualls, to reappoint Larry Wheaton & Ernie Taubert to the Sewer Regulations Appeals Board. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

**CONSIDER AWARDING BIDS FOR  
TRANSFORMERS & CABLE –  
ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT**

CITY OF COOKEVILLE  
ELECTRIC DEPT.  
BID TABULATION SCHEDULE  
BID NOTICE # 05111701

DATE OF BID OPENING: 11/30/2005  
BIDS OPENED BY: Glenn Greenwood  
BIDS WITNESSED BY: Brian Bohannon  
DEPARTMENT: Electric  
TIME: 2:30 PM CST

BIDDERS	QTY	item 1		item 2					
		25 Kva Csp Transformer	12 evaluated cost	500 Kva Pad Transformer	1 evaluated cost				
Stuart Irby		\$ 738.00 \$ 8,856.00	\$ 1,316.83	\$ 9,984.00 \$ 9,984.00	\$ 20,841.70				
Power Supply		\$ 794.00 \$ 9,528.00	\$ 1,273.36	\$ 9,126.00 \$ 9,126.00	\$ 19,980.39				
Wesco		\$ 587.00 \$ 7,044.00	\$ 1,138.03	\$ 8,854.00 \$ 8,854.00	\$ 20,324.58				
Hughes Supply (Central Maloney)		\$ 825.00 \$ 9,900.00	\$ 1,392.30	\$ 12,403.00 \$ 12,403.00	\$ 24,019.56				
Hughes Supply (Pauwels)		No bid	No bid	\$ 8,129.00 \$ 8,129.00	\$ 19,293.76				
Deco		No bid	No bid	\$ 8,009.00 \$ 8,009.00	\$ 19,158.79				

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED DO HEREBY RECOMMEND THE BID FROM Wesco item 1 Deco item 2  
BE AWARDED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON: low evaluated bid meeting specs.  
RECOMMENDED: DEPT. HEAD [Signature] APPROVAL: CITY MANAGER [Signature]

CITY OF COOKEVILLE  
ELECTRIC DEPT.  
BID TABULATION SCHEDULE  
BID NOTICE # 05111601

DATE OF BID OPENING: 11/30/2005  
BIDS OPENED BY: Glenn Greenwood  
BIDS WITNESSED BY: Tim Morris  
DEPARTMENT: Electric  
TIME: 2:00 PM CST

BIDDERS	QTY	1/0 URD Primary Cable 10,000'							
Stuart Irby		\$ 1.53 \$ 15,300.00							
Wesco		\$ 1.93 \$ 19,300.00							

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED DO HEREBY RECOMMEND THE BID FROM Stuart Irby  
BE AWARDED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON: low bid meeting specs.  
RECOMMENDED: DEPT. HEAD [Signature] APPROVAL: CITY MANAGER [Signature]

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Councilman Shelton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Sallee, to award the transformer & cable bids as recommended. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF  
PROPERTY ACQUISITION  
FOR COOKEVILLE  
REGIONAL MEDICAL  
CENTER LOCATED AT  
213 WEST 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET**

**Officers of the Board of Trustees**  
John Story  
Chairman of the Board  
Jim Martin  
Vice-Chairman of the Board  
Bernard Mattingly  
Chief Executive Officer

 **COOKEVILLE REGIONAL  
MEDICAL CENTER**  
*Growing for You*  
142 West Fifth Street • Cookeville, TN 38501  
931.528.2541

**Medical Staff Officers**  
Vaughn Barnard, M.D.  
President of Medical Staff  
Timothy Fournet, M.D.  
Vice-President of Medical Staff  
Dale Douglas, M.D.  
Secretary of Medical Staff

December 5, 2005

Jim Shipley  
City Manager  
City of Cookeville  
45 East Broad Street  
Cookeville, TN 38501

Dear Jim:

The hospital Board of Trustees approved the purchase of property located at 213 West 2nd Street. The total purchase price is \$49,120 and is included in the FY 2006 budget.

The property is located within the Medical District and will be used by CRMC for parking. Please add this to the December 15, 2005 City Council Agenda for approval.

If you have any questions, please contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

  
Paul Korth  
Chief Financial Officer

PK/er

Councilman Shelton made a motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Qualls, to approve the purchase of property at 213 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street as submitted. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS AND/OR DELEGATIONS:**

Larry Wheaton, member of the local Horseback Riders Club, spoke in support of the Rail Trail Project.

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There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Shelton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Sallee, to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Charles Womack  
Vice-Mayor Steve Qualls  
Councilman Jean Davis  
Councilman Sam Sallee  
Councilman Ricky Shelton

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

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Charles Womack, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cathy McClain, City Clerk