



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF PARIS, TENNESSEE  
FEBRUARY 5, 2015  
6:00 P.M.**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Paris, Tennessee met in regular session Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Courtroom of the City of Paris, Tennessee for the purpose of conducting the following and any other business.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Carlton Gerrell followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Fuller and a prayer led by Mayor Gerrell. Finance Director Kim Foster called the roll with the following present:

Present: Mayor Carlton Gerrell  
Vice Mayor Gayle Griffith  
Commissioner Terry Fuller  
Commissioner Sam Tharpe  
Commissioner Robert Sleadd

Also Present: City Manager Carl Holder  
City Attorney Fred McLean  
Finance Director Kim Foster  
Administrative Assistant Kathy Horner

Media: Bill McCutcheon, Paris PI  
Tim Alsobrooks WMUF  
Shannon McFarlin WTPR

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon a motion by Mr. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Griffith, the minutes of the January 6, 2015 meeting were approved.

**COMMENTS FROM THE CITIZENS**

There were no comments from the citizens.

**COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Commissioner Griffith commended Commissioner Fuller for his years of service in the United States Navy.

<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>
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City Manager Holder stated that he and Fred have made modifications in the current drug policy. All commissioners had received a copy of the revised drug policy via email. Mr. Holder recommended that the Commission approve the changes. Commissioner Fuller made a motion to accept with a second from Commissioner Griffith. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**FINANCIAL UPDATES**

Ms. Foster discussed December, 2014 financials. She stated that retail revenue is on the strong side and remains to be optimistic. The City is almost 4.5 percent ahead of 2014. These are great numbers. We got caught up in the month of December due to December being heavy with receiving property taxes. Department Heads are working within budget. The audit is basically complete.

**County of Henry Franchise Grant**

Mr. Holder requested a motion from the Commissioners to receive and file a copy of the County's resolution into our minutes. Commissioner Fuller made a motion and there was a second by Commissioner Tharpe. The motion carried.

**Debt Obligation**

Ms. Foster reported that we are required to report on debt obligation and record such in the minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Fuller was as follows: "I move we accept the following Report on Debt Obligation for the City of Paris General Obligation Bond Issue, Series 2015, and to spread upon the minutes of this meeting as required by TCA 9-21-151." Commissioner Tharpe seconded and the motion carried.

**Local Option Sales Tax**

Mayor Gerrell requested a motion to formally propose a roll-back of \$.08 property tax increase if the sales tax referendum passes March 17<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Sleadd made a motion with a second from Commissioner Tharpe. The motion carried.

Mr. Holder complimented Mayor Gerrell on his help of communicating the City Commissions views.

**On-Going Projects**

City Manager Holder presented updates to all active projects as of 1-30-15.

**Adjournment**

The meeting duly adjourned at 6:23 pm.

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Mayor

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Finance Director