



**TOWN HALL EAST**  
**MARCH 12, 2018**  
**Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**Eastminster Fellowship Hall**

*Respectfully submitted for your review by  
Secretary, Brenda Brooks*

7:00 pm. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER  
President, Doug Toppenberg

I. Introduction:

Recognition of current T.H.E. Board.

Recognition of elected officials in attendance –  
George Wallace, Lauren Rider, and Gloria Deathridge.

Candidates in attendance for upcoming elections -  
Daniel Gerke – Seat 11, County Commission, at large.  
Edward Nelson – state congress.  
Evetty Satterfield, District 1, School Board.  
Dametraus Jagers District 1, School Board.

Recognition of former city council member, Nick Della Volpe, and  
former county commissioner, Sam McKenzie.

II. Old Business:

Treasurers report- Desiree Folger - \$2131.42 in total funds on hand.

Approval of February 5, 2017 meeting minutes -  
Motion by Jeff Petrik and second by Nick Della Volpe for approval of minutes.  
Approved.

III. New Business:

**Officer Boston.**

Disc. of crashes at Chilhowee and Skyline intersection.  
Questions/disc. regarding radar speed signs and traffic calming studies.  
David Lee advised about the traffic study opportunity upon request.  
Disc. issue of the use of Holston Hills Road as a cut through.  
7000 # weight limit. Hard to enforce? Signage?

**Featured Speaker: Gus Paidousis**  
**Chief of Security for Knox County Schools.**

**SECURITY DIVISION**

In partnership w/ the police dept. are able to place armed bonded school School Security Officer (SSO) in every school –103 SSO's.

**SSO qualifications:**

Everyone has to take a PAI assessment- psychological screening.  
Extensive background check, physical fitness requirement, drug screen,  
fire arms qualifications and emergency/CPR training.  
Evaluated 4 times per year.

**Training for SSO's:**

Nine (9) week training academy.  
SSO's primary role is to protect and dev. appropriate healthy relationships  
w/ the children.  
Are not involved w/ school discipline.

**SCHOOL SYSTEM'S MEASURES**

District School Safety and Security Plan in place plus school based plan  
unique to each individual school.

**Safety and Security Advisory Committee**

Police dept. fire dept., mayor's office, etc.

Meet annually to review and update the safety and security plan.

**IV. Announcements**

Upcoming T.H.E. Board elections.

If anyone is interested in serving on the board or as an officer, please send an  
email to Town Hall East.

**V. Motion and second to adjourn.**

Motion by Mac Goodwin, second by Sam McKenzie to adjourn.

40 persons in attendance