

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
January 3, 2005**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Dyersburg met in regular session on Monday night, January 3, 2005 in the Municipal Courtroom at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Revell presided with all Aldermen present. The meeting opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag” followed by prayer by Alderman Charles McCright.

Minutes of the December 6, 2004 meeting were approved as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARING – LIQUOR STORE

City Recorder Gleyn Twilla reported that Mr. Martin W. Moore has met all minimum local and state requirements for issuance of a liquor license to The Liquor Store of Dyersburg, LLC at 1697 Highway 51 Bypass North. This would be one of the 4 licenses allowable under Ordinance BB-459 dated July 1997.

Contingent on a clean background search conducted by the Dyersburg Police Department, the Board authorized the Mayor to sign a “certificate of compliance” to be forwarded to the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission stating that the proposed liquor store meets all minimum requirements of Municipal Code Title 8, Chapter 1. The motion by Aldermen Kirk and Dean.

MEEKS STREET – WILLIE TOLES

Mrs. Mary McLin, Mr. Joe McLin, Mr. Brad Beshears and Ms. Tammy Barnes complained about the activities taking place on the Willie Toles’ property at 1331 Meeks street. They claimed that a long term problem with drunks, drugs, shootings, illegal parking, gambling and other criminal activities has led to the devaluation of neighborhood property values, and a condition of hostility and fearfulness.

Police Chief Bobby Williamson stated that with the manpower available his department was doing all that is legally possible.

Building Official Gleyn Twilla explained that the Toles’ property at 1329 Meeks Street is to be brought up to residential standards or to be removed.

Mr. Willie Toles insisted that he had the right to operate a business on Meeks Street.

On a motion by Aldermen Dean and McCright the Public Safety Committee was asked to review the situation and make specific recommendations to the full Board.

BIDS

The following bid was submitted for approval:

Dept. – Solid Waste
Item – 25 cu. Yd. rear loading garbage truck
Purpose – Replace 1998 GMC garbage truck
Budgeted - \$120,000
Notification – State Gazette, direct to 6 vendors
Bids - Scruggs Equipment \$95,933.53
 Scruggs Equipment \$92,979.88
 General Truck \$91,651.00

H.H. Hooper	\$87,473.00
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H.H. Hooper	\$84,519.00
H.H. Hooper	\$83,490.00
River City Hydraulics	\$72,518.88
Tri-State International	\$72,100.00
General Truck	\$71,190.00
Barloworld Freightliner	\$70,275.00

Recommend bid be awarded to Barloworld Freightliner, Memphis, \$70,275.00 which includes trade-in of 1998 GMC Truck w/Pak-Mor Body.

Motion by Aldermen Guthrie and Dean.

OKEENA PARK – TREES

Parks Director James Johnson reported that the large white oak designated as tree number 36 has been labeled dangerous by arborist Sam Bryant and by tree experts with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture.

On a motion by Aldermen Moody and McCright the removal of the tree was approved.

MISC.

Alderman Kirk announced a Public Safety Committee meeting at City Hall, January 5, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

Aldermen Dean announced the TML meeting January 28th in Cordova. He explained that property owners on the bypass want input into drainage measures associated with filling in the median. He asks for prayers for the flooding victims in Asia.

Alderman Lee praised the community's generosity by helping through projects like Chimes for Charity and Goodfellows.

Alderman Moody complimented public works for a job well done during the recent snow.

Alderman Norman called for a study of consolidation of E-911 in Dyer County

Alderman McCright announced the Muscular Dystrophy fund raiser on January 27, 2005.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Bill Revell, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder