

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
October 17, 2005**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, October 17, 2005 in the Municipal Courtroom at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag” followed by scripture and prayer by Bob Dean.

Minutes of October 3, 2005 were approved as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARING SET

On a motion by Aldermen Dean and Guthrie a public hearing was set for November 7, 2005 to consider amendments to the Storm Water Ordinance.

PUBLIC HEARING – BEER PERMIT

On a motion by Aldermen Lee and McCright a beer permit was approved for Sap’s Place at 575 Main Avenue South with permit holder Beverly Ratcliff.

STREET & SANITATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Freeman Dudley reported on the committee meeting of October 12, 2005.

On a motion by Aldermen Dudley and Lee the Board referred to the Street & Sanitation Committee the authority to take action on the potential purchase of a 1987 Caterpillar Crawler tractor with serial number 6FC 00535. The committee will take action following James Damesworth traveling to Gladewater, Texas and submitting a report on the condition of the equipment.

WATER, SEWER & GAS COMMITTEE

Chairman Lewis Norman reported on the committee meeting of October 6, 2005. Ben Edwards and Donald Ray Pennington, developers of Creek Woods Subdivision, had requested that the city run approximately 2000 feet of water main from the intersection of Upper Finley Road at Jenkinsville Road to their property at a cost exceeding \$40,000.

On a motion by Aldermen Norman and Dean the Board, by roll call vote, reaffirmed the water policy established in 1989 requiring any developer needing a main line extension prior to the city’s construction schedule to bear the full cost of the installation. The roll call vote was six affirmative with Aldermen Kirk and Moody voting no and Alderman McCright abstaining.

NATURAL GAS ALERT

Mayor Revell explained the door to door campaign to help encourage energy conservation and help citizens save on the high cost of winter heating.

CITY ATTORNEY INVOICE

The city attorney's invoice for September 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005 in the amount of \$2,753.73 was approved on a motion by Aldermen Dean and Dudley.

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Mayor Revell announced the following events: safety committee meeting, Patriot Day November 19, and auction of public land on October 27 at 2:00 p.m. He stated that 60 employees had graduated from MTAS training programs.

Alderman Guthrie urged everyone to look at alternate fuel sources.

Alderman Dudley commended the street department and urged them to keep all city properties mowed and clean.

Alderman Dean announced that the new Humane Shelter will have a grand opening on October 20th.

Alderman Lee encouraged equitable treatment of all citizens.

Alderman Moody urged a review and updating of city policies.

Alderman Norman requested the Mayor send a letter to federal officials opposing federal cable franchising. He commended the Master Gardeners and everyone involved with Okeena Park.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Bill Revell, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, Recorder