

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
October 16, 2006**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, October 16, 2006 in the Municipal Courtroom at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Revell presided with all Aldermen present except Alderman Guthrie.

The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag" and prayer by Alderman Bob Kirk.

**PUBLIC HEARING SET**

On a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Dean a public hearing was set for November 6, 2006 to consider amendments to the dog ordinance.

**BIDS**

The following bids were submitted for approval:

Dept. – Street

Item – Backhoe Loader

Purpose – Replace 1992 Ford 755 Backhoe (will retain to load rock on yard)

Budgeted - \$65,000

Notification – State Gazette, direct to 3 vendors

Bids - Lyles Brothers Tractor	No Response
NoTrax Equipment	No Bid
Thompson Machinery	\$60,580.00

Recommend award of bid to Thompson Machinery, Jackson, \$60,580.00.

Motion by Aldermen Lee and Dudley.

On a motion by Aldermen Dean and Moody the \$50,000 bid by Thompson Machinery approved on 8/21/06 was amended by an additional \$1,188.56 making the total bid \$51,188.56.

**WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE REPORT**

Chairman Lewis Norman reported on the meeting of October 10, 2006. Powers-Hill Design had presented a plan for the proposed annexation area north of I-155. Of the 3900 acres approximately 900 acres is within the 100-year floodplain. The area was divided into five major basins. The land use areas are as follows: 1354 acres residential; 719 acres industrial; 441 acres commercial; 486 acres rural residential.

The Committee sent the annexation study to the Planning Commission for analysis and recommendation.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Chairman Lewis Norman reported on the meeting of October 9, 2006. The Committee reviewed a property tax relief plan for residents over 65 years of age or totally disabled. To be eligible for relief residents must have an annual income of less than \$20,000.00 and they must live in the home. Currently 197 households are receiving relief. The estimated cost of the City matching relief provided by the state is \$20,000.00.

On a motion by Aldermen Norman and Lee the Board approved matching state property tax relief for all eligible city residents.

Reporting on the meeting of October 12, 2006 the Committee recommended putting the City Mayor's salary on par with the County Mayor's salary by setting the salary at \$6,375.00 monthly or \$76,500 annually with annual salary increase equal to the annual increase given to the city employees. The Aldermen salary was set at \$400.00 monthly or \$4,800.00 annually.

On a motion by Aldermen Norman and McCright the Board set Aldermen salaries at \$400 monthly and the Mayor's salary at \$6,375.00 monthly. The vote was six for the motion, Mayor Revell abstained and Alderman Dean voted no.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Chairman Bob Kirk reported on the meeting of October 5, 2006. On a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Dudley the Board adopted the following recommendations from the public safety committee:

- 1) The EOC's E-911 dispatch center will implement an emergency medical dispatch program after the city attorney has reviewed the program for liability and legality;
- 2) EOC staff overtime will be cut by using a recruit program to train part-time help. The recruits will work a minimum of 8 hours monthly and be first considered for full-time openings;
- 3) Fire Chief Bob Veal was designated acting emergency manager until a program review and a permanent appointment can be made by the Board;
- 4) To sell the property on Vendall Road to help fund a new fire station to be located on the water plant property.

The Fire Chief was given permission to begin the process of getting design plans for the new fire station.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY INVOICE**

The City Attorney invoice for September 1, 2006 to September 30, 2006 in the amount of \$6,255.00 was approved on a motion by Aldermen Lee and Dean.

#### **ANNEXATION AND MAJOR ROAD PLAN**

Mayor Bill Revell presented the annexation study and major road plan proposal. The annexation study will be reviewed by a committee composed of Planning Commissioners, elected officials and citizens to prepare a recommendation for the City Board. Mayor Revell explained how the route for I-69 will be connected to US-412 by an east – west corridor near Four Points, resulting in a 360 degree loop around the City.

#### **MISC.**

**Alderman Dudley** inquired about re-opening the restaurant at the airport.

**Alderman Dean** reported on the airport: private flights are down nation wide; the 5700 foot runway will serve corporate jets; a new Boeing engine will allow large jets to use the airport; thanked police for slowing traffic; commended Dale Snyder and the street department; inquired about the skateboard park.

**Alderman Norman** asked if the price of aviation fuel at the Dyersburg Airport is competitive.

**Alderman Lee** requested that TDOT be asked to make needed repairs to Main Street south of the Court Square including bridge repair.

**Alderman Norman** was informed that the Tennessee Municipal League liability insurance carrier is going to give the City an analysis of the use, durability and liability of speed waves. Police Chief Ledbetter reported that since October 1 the City had issued 10 citations for violation of the curfew for minors.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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**Bill Revell, Mayor**

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**Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder**