# Minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen City of Dyersburg April 6, 2009

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, April 6, 2009 in the municipal courtroom at 7 p.m.

Mayor John Holden presided with all Aldermen present.

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

The minutes of the March 16, 2009 meeting were approved as written on a motion by Aldermen Norman and McCright.

### Public Hearing – Beer Permit – Scores Bar and Grill

Interim Police Chief Roger Dudley stated that the applicant meets all minimum standards. On a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Chaney, an on premises beer permit was granted to Scores Bar and Grill at 405 US Highway 51 Bypass North with permit holders Gene Adams and Rochelle Duren.

# Public Hearing – Beer Permit – Club One

On a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Dudley, an on premises beer permit was granted to Club One at 1035 Main Street South with permit holder Shatori Cliff.

### Water/Sewer Bond Refinance

City Treasurer Steve Anderson reported on the refinancing of two bonds: 1998 Water/Sewer bond and 1994 State Finance Board loan. They city has an improved bond rating of A+ with Standard and Poor. The bond rating is based on a stable outlook, strong reserves, low carrying charges and rapid amortization of debt.

The bonds refinance sold through Regions Bank on March 31 at 3.04% true interest for \$8,365,000. The savings due to refinancing will be \$363,002.90

#### Cemetery Committee Report

Chairman Charles McCright reported on the meeting of March 18, 2009. The committee authorized the cemetery gates to remain open until 7 p.m. during the spring and summer.

The committee authorized a grass spraying program for all four cemeteries. The first spraying application will be done by Cowles Custom Applications at a cost of \$8,120. The spraying will reduce the mowing cycle by 12 weeks, cut labor cost by \$24,672.00, reduce equipment usage by 1920 hours, enhance appearance and reduce damage to monuments.

# **Reports**

<u>Alderman Dudley</u> announced the Second Annual Blue Grass Festival on May 15-16 at the fairgrounds.

<u>Alderman Walker</u> inquired about unaccounted for water. Water/Sewer Distribution Manager Mike Morgan stated that all line repairs are up to date. Interim Chief Roger Dudley responded to the question about dogs stating that concerns can be called into 285-1212 and emergencies to 911.

<u>Alderman Moody</u> inquired about the animal control ordinance and dogs impoundment. He was told by the Mayor that bids for signalization of Mall and Parr Avenue will be opened April 9.

<u>Alderman Norman</u> inquired about two open department head positions. The Mayor stated that an ad for the Golf Course Manager position ran in Sunday's paper. The Police Chief position drew 31 applications with 13 not meeting minimum standards and the remaining 18 have been asked to respond to a list of questions prepared by staff of the Tennessee Police Chiefs Association.

<u>Alderman McCright</u> inquired about liability insurance requirements for vicious dogs. The Mayor stated that \$50,000 of liability insurance is required for dogs judged vicious.

<u>Mayor Holden</u> announced the Chamber's Employment Resource Fair from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. April 7. He congratulated Alderman Dudley as the first inductee into the Dixie Youth Hall of Fame. He announced a Public Safety Committee meeting for 10 a.m. on April 8.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

John Holden, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder