Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting Monday, February 21, 2011, 7:00 P.M. Municipal Building – Courtroom

(1) <u>Call to Order:</u> The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, February 7, 2011 in the municipal courtroom at 7 p.m.

Mayor John Holden presided noting that all Aldermen were present.

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

- (2) <u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Minutes of the January 3, 2010 meeting were approved on a motion by Alderwoman Jewell Horner, followed by a second from Alderman Williams.
- (3) <u>Unfinished Business:</u> None reported.

Mayor Holden introduced Mr. Kenny Wright, CABLEONE General Manager, as the new manager for the Dyersburg CABLEONE office.

(4) <u>New Business</u>:

a. Notice of public hearing – Amend Municipal Zoning Ordinance for offsite parking standards – March 7, 2011. This comes as a recommendation from the Dyersburg Municipal-Regional Planning Commission to allow all off-site or shared parking under developments that come before that Commission. The Alderman will receive the amendments prior to the March 7, 2011 meeting.

b. <u>Attorney Invoice – December 2010 and January 2011:</u>

The Mayor presented two invoices from the City Attorney's office to be approved for payment. The December 2010 invoice of \$6,416.57 was approved on a motion from Alderman Bob Kirk with a second by Alderman Terry Glover, motion passed with all board members voting yes. January 2011 attorney invoice in the amount of \$4,645.50 was approved on a motion from Alderman Bob Kirk with a second from Alderman Terry Glover, motion passed with all board members voting yes.

c. <u>Gas/Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – February 10, 2011 – Chairman Terry</u> Glover:

Committee Chairman Glover presented an overview of the committee's discussion of the Phase II of the Weir replacement project. Mr. Glover stated that three out of five bid invitations were returned. The old Weir material (carbon steel) will be replaced by a fiberglass material. The old material Weir is approximately 28 years old, and nearly 10 years past a projected life expectancy for the Weir. Mr. Glover moved to recommend the Board accept the low bid for replacement of \$128,590.00, by Water Serv Company, with second by Alderman Williams. The Board voted unanimously to approve the bid. It was also noted that this bid comes in approximately \$30,000.00 under budget.

d. <u>Recreation Committee Meeting – February 15, 2011 – Chairman Bart</u> Williams.

The committee recognized the award of the Local Parks and Recreation Fund (LPRF) grant received from the State of Tennessee this past fall. The grant award of \$100,000.00 is to support improvements at Bruce Center, Dyersburg Activity Center, Okeena Park, and Kiwanis Park. Chairman Williams reported that Mr. Greg Williams he will be inspecting current conditions of the south side roof area and cooling unit at the Dyersburg Activity Center for potential repair. The committee discussed a prior Lake Road Park Agreement user agreement with the Dixie Girls Softball League. Mayor Holden will review the agreement for final resolution.

The committee considered an application for a Safe Route to Schools Grant. This is a no-match, reimbursement grant of 100% funding for a maximum of \$250,000.00 to provide safe walking and bicycling paths to schools. A committee is in place to pursue this grant comprised of members of a Healthy Community group for the past year and a half. The grant must be applied for by the City, and is due on or before March 31, 2011. Chairman Williams moved that a citizens committee made up of primarily the Healthy citizens committee to proceed with drafting a Safe Route to Schools Grant application and that the Board give the Mayor with the oversight discretion with the committee to submit such an application. With a second from Alderman Chaney, the motion was passed by the Board.

Also, discussed were the Parks and Recreation Citizen's Board Training available to the Alderman and Recreation committee, March 6-7, 2011, Fall Creek Falls State Park.

e. <u>Finance Committee Meeting – February 21, 2011- Chairman Kevin Chaney</u>

The Committee received an update regarding recommendations from Steve Anderson concerning City telephone services from AT&T to Aeneas Company of Jackson, Tennessee. He stated that using Aeneas for the past year in data services had been successful and more user friendly for staff and customers. A switch from AT&T to Aeneas involving telephone services would save the City approximately \$340.00 per month, or approximately \$4,000.00 per year. Twenty four telephone lines would be changed immediately and many more lines will be changed as contracts with AT & T expire. Finance Committee voted to approve this recommendation for consideration at the board meeting.

Mayor Holden called for a motion to proceed forward on the new Aeneas contract. A motion was made by Alderman Williams, with a second by Alderman Chaney. The motion passed.

Information from the Municipal-Regional Planning Commission was provided by the Mayor to the committee regarding their (Planning Commission) approved recommendation of a new sign ordinance for the City. This information will be reviewed for future Committee discussion.

Ms. Horner read a resolution regarding uniting Dyersburg and Dyer County under one Legislative Representative Entity. A motion was made by Ms. Horner with a second by Mr. Kirk. The resolution was approved for recommendation to the full Board of Alderman at the February 21, 2011 meeting. Alderman Chaney motioned to accept this resolution as recommended by the Finance Committee, with second by Alderwoman Horner. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mayor Holden distributed several handouts and publications concerning current and potential future census data, unemployment trends, and employment numbers affected by the eminent Goodyear plant closing.

The committee reviewed some of the highlights of the 2009/2010 Audit, the need for street resurfacing, general discussion of the City retirement, and the annual Police Report.

Report from Alderman and Alderwomen:

Alderman Bob Kirk had no report.

Alderman Bart Williams thanked the City workers who worked hard to keep the streets open during the recent inclement weather.

Alderman Terry Glover acknowledged Kevin Joslin and his assistance for fence work at the old Dyersburg Fabrics location. Also, he appreciated the welcome and assistance of the city employees in consideration of his newness as an Alderman.

Alderman Kevin Chaney had no report.

Alderman Jewell Horner had no report.

Alderman Dennis Moody mentioned the unsightly condition of the remaining Dyersburg Fabrics plant area. The Mayor stated he would send this issue to the Codes department for their handling.

Alderwoman Joan Wyatt had no report.

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Alderman Robert Taylor stated to constituents that he and Mr. Snyder are working on drainage issues. Also, he invited the public to attend committee and Board meetings.

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	John Holden, Mayor	
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