Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting Monday, April 7, 2014 Municipal Building - Court Room

- (1) <u>Call to Order:</u> The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, April 7, 2014; in the City Courtroom at 7:00 p.m. Mayor John Holden presided. The meeting opened with prayer Alderman Bart Williams. Mayor Holden noted all Aldermen were present.
- (2) <u>Approval of Minutes:</u> The minutes of the Wednesday, March 12, 2014 meeting were approved on a motion by Alderman Kevin Chaney, followed by a second from Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. The motion passed approving the minutes.
- (3) <u>Unfinished Business:</u> There was no unfinished business.

(4) New Business:

a. Attorney Invoice:

Mayor Holden presented an invoice from the City Attorney's office to be approved for payment. The February 1, 2014 through February 28, 2014 totaling \$5,531.25 was presented. Alderman Bob Kirk made a motion to approve the payment, with a second by Alderman Kevin Chaney. Mayor Holden called for the vote, and the motion passed by full Board approval.

b. Bids – Greg Williams, City Purchasing Agent

1. Department: Recreation

Item: (6) Swim Starting Platforms

Purpose: For D.A.C. pool Budgeted: \$10,000 + donations

Notification – State Gazette – Direct to 6 vendors

Bids: Memphis Pool No Response
BSN Sports No Bid
Spectrum Aquatics \$15,989.00
Progressive Aquatics \$14,400.00
Duffield Aquatics \$13,762.10
Recreonics, Inc. \$11,555.36

Recommendation: Mr. Williams recommended awarding the bid to Recreonics, Inc. of Louisville, KY, at \$11,555.36. A motion to approve the recommendation as presented before the Board was made by Alderman Kevin Chaney, with a second by Alderman Dennis Moody. Alderman Kirk asked several questions

concerning the "Property Maintenance Ordinance" section of the invoice. From the document it appears that the City attorney was offering plea deals on certain citations. At the request of Mayor Holden, Kevin Joslin of the Codes Enforcement Department explained that the Attorney represents the City in court. If cited parties plead guilty, they are required to pay court costs and fix the issue cited. Mr. Joslin further explained that not-guilty pleas require a trial. After discussion, the Mayor called for the vote on the motion. The motion passed by full Board approval.

2. Department: Recreation Item: (2) Zero Turn mowers

Purpose: To replace 2 older mowers

Budgeted: \$18,000

Notification – State Gazette, direct to 3 bidders

Bids: Century Equipment \$20,350.00 \$ First Choice Farm & Lawn \$17,778.40 Tennessee Tractor \$15,600.00

Recommendation: Award bid to Tennessee Tractor, of Dyersburg, TN at \$15,600.00. A motion to approve the recommendation as presented before the Board was made by Bob Kirk, with a second by Alderman Terry Glover. The motion passed by full Board approval.

Report from Alderman and Alderwomen:

Alderman Bob Kirk: Commented on the public service record of recently deceased, former Alderman Jerry Jackson, wished Dennis Moody a happy birthday, and introduced his visiting Grandson and Son.

Alderman Bart Williams: none.

Alderman Terry Glover: commented on the new construction of playground equipment at the Bruce Community Center.

Alderman Kevin Chaney: none.

Alderwoman Jewell Horner: none.

^{*} Prices include trade-in of (2) existing mowers for new John Deere mowers.

Dennis Moody: advised residents to refrain from blowing yard clippings into storm water drain areas.

Alderwoman Joan Wyatt: none.

Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr.: thanked the Codes Department for its ongoing community efforts and efforts extended thank you to street services for assisting with acquiring lighting on McClain.

Communications from the Mayor:

- From a report from Glenda Denton, DFD's administrative assistant, stated 600 smoke detectors have been installed in the first quarter of this year in the City and County, placing Dyersburg second in the state behind Memphis in installations. Any County or City residents that do not have a smoke detector may call the DFD at no charge.
- Informed residents that the recently circulating letters from an insurance company offering insurance on water lines to the house have no relationship with the City. Mayor Holden noted that the City is responsible for water line damage from the meter to the street but water lines to the house are the homeowner's responsibility.
- Recognized members of the Sanitation Department that attended to a resident on Delta Pine Avenue who had fallen outside of her residence and sustained serious injuries.
 Mayor Holden noted the employees stayed with the resident until emergency services arrived. Mayor Holden thanked the department for their often unnoticed efforts.
- Reported that in March 2014 the Codes Enforcement Department received 44 complaints, issued seven city court citations, condemned five structures, demolished 16 structures (including 14 structures at Courtland Square) and conducted one sub-standard housing inspection.

| With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. | |
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| | John Holden, Mayor |
| Robert C. Jones, City Recorder | |