

**Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting
Monday, February 1, 2016
Dyersburg Municipal Court Room**

- (1) **Call to Order:** The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, February 1, 2016 in the Dyersburg Municipal Court Room at 7:00 p.m. Mayor John Holden presided over the meeting. The meeting opened with prayer by Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. Mayor Holden noted all Aldermen and the Alderwoman were present.

- (2) **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the January 19, 2016 meeting were approved on a motion by Alderwoman Carolyn Norman, followed by a second from Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. The motion passed approving the minutes.

- (3) **Unfinished Business:** None presented.

- (4) **New Business:**
 - a. Attorney Invoice

Mayor Holden presented an invoice from the City Attorney's office to be approved for payment. The December 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 invoice totaled \$ 6,543.75. Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. made a motion to approve the payment, with a second by Alderman Bob Kirk. The motion passed by full vote.

 - b. **Bids – Greg Williams, Purchasing Agent.**

No Bids were presented.

 - c. **Notice of Public Hearing – March 7, 2016 – ORDINANCE BB646 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TEXT OF THE DYERSBURG MUNICIPAL ZONING ORDINANCE TO AMEND FENCING AND SCREENING REGULATIONS FOR SOLAR FARMS AND ACCESSORY SOLAR COLLECTION SYSTEMS.**

ORDINANCE BB646

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ORDINANCE TO AMEND FENCING AND SCREENING REGULATIONS FOR SOLAR
FARMS AND ACCESSORY SOLAR COLLECTION SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated Sections 13-7-201 and 13-7-202 a zoning ordinance and map have been adopted for the City of Dyersburg; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen deems it necessary, for the purpose of promoting the health, safety, and general welfare for the City to amend said Ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the Dyersburg Municipal-Regional Planning Commission has reviewed said proposed amendment and recommends such amendments to the Dyersburg Board of Mayor and Aldermen; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held before Dyersburg Board of Mayor and Aldermen pursuant to section 13-7-203, Tennessee Code Annotated, the time and place of which was published with fifteen days advance notice; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF DYERSBURG:

SECTION 1. That the following language be deleted from **ARTICLE XXIII, GENERAL PROVISIONS, EXCEPTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS, Section Q.** Provisions governing Solar Farms and Accessory Solar Collection Systems

3. Adequate screening shall be provided that adequately buffers the solar farm or Accessory Solar Collection System from any nearby uses.

SECTION 2. That the following language be added to **ARTICLE XXIII, GENERAL PROVISIONS, EXCEPTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS, Section Q.** Provisions governing Solar Farms and Accessory Solar Collection Systems

3. Adequate screening shall be provided that adequately buffers the solar farm or Accessory Solar Collection System from any nearby residential or commercial districts.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage after third and final reading, **THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT.**

Passed First Reading

Mayor

Passed Second Reading

City Recorder

- d. **Notice of Public Hearing – March 7, 2016 – ORDINANCE BB647 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TEXT OF THE DYERSBURG MUNICIPAL ZONING ORDINANCE TO AMEND REGULATIONS FOR FENCES, WALLS AND HEDGES.**

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SECTION 1. That the following language be deleted from **ARTICLE XXIII, GENERAL PROVISIONS, EXCEPTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS:**

Section E. Fences, Walls and Hedges

Notwithstanding other provisions of this Ordinance, fences, walls, and hedges may be permitted in any required yard, or along the edge of any yard, provided that no fence, wall, or hedge along the sides or front edge of any front yard shall be over two and one-half (2 1/2) feet in height. The requirements of this section shall not be deemed to prohibit any necessary retaining wall.

SECTION 2. That the following language be added to **ARTICLE XXIII, GENERAL PROVISIONS, EXCEPTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS:**

Section E. Fences, Walls and Hedges

Notwithstanding other provisions of this Ordinance, fences, walls, and hedges may be permitted within required yard setbacks provided that no fence, wall, or hedge within the front yard or side street yard setbacks exceed a height of two and one-half (2 1/2) feet. This front and side street yard height requirement excludes fences that are non-opaque and that does not obstruct the line of site or impede the vision of traffic (Chain-link, wrought-iron fences, etc.) Fences, walls and hedges may not be installed within any Right of Ways or Pubic Easements and may not limit access to utility meters without prior written approval from the City of Dyersburg. Fencing must be constructed of approved fencing materials.

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Passed First Reading

Mayor

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Mayor Holden called for a motion to approve the reading and approval of the two ordinances before the public at the next Boars of Mayor and Alderman Meeting scheduled for February 16, 2016. A motion was made by Alderman Bob Kirk, and seconded by Alderman Kevin Chaney to present the two ordinances for public review and comment at the February 16, 2016 meeting. The motion was approved by the Board.

Report from Alderman and Alderwomen:

Aldermen Bob Kirk: Asked the Mayor about the status of RFP's for the Golf Course management, and the status of the State's approval of the City's loan through the TML Pool. Mayor Holden responded that the City had received several inquiries regarding the Golf Course. Friday, February 5, 2016 is the deadline for RFP. He further stated the state had approved the City's loan application. Alderman Kirk announced the retirement of Congressman Stephen Fincher from the U.S. Congress. He further complemented the successful Congressional career of Congressman Fincher.

Alderman Bill Escue: No report.

Alderman Terry Glover: No report.

Alderman Kevin Chaney: No report.

Alderwoman Mike Morgan: No report.

Alderman Dennis Moody: No report.

Alderwoman Carolyn Norman: No report.

Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr: No report.

Communications from the Mayor:

No report.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

John Holden, Mayor

Robert C. Jones, City Recorder