

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
December 6, 2004**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Dyersburg met in regular session on Monday night, December 6, 2004 in the Municipal Courtroom at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Revell presided with all Aldermen present.

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

Minutes of the November 15, 2004 meeting were approved as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS SET

On a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Guthrie, a public hearing was set for January 3, 2004 to consider an application for The Liquor Store of Dyersburg at 1697 Highway 51 Bypass North.

A January 18, 2004 public hearing for annexation of approximately 3 acres on Airport Road was set on a motion by Aldermen Lee and Moody.

PUBLIC HEARING – RIGHT-OF-WAY – ORDINANCE 563

On a motion by Aldermen Lee and Moody an ordinance was adopted to prohibit basketball goals and other sports equipment from being set upon the public right-of-way within the City.

PUBLIC HEARING – CROSS CONNECTION – ORDINANCE 564

On a motion by Aldermen Dudley and Lee the Board amended the existing cross connection ordinance.

BIDS

The following bid was submitted for approval:

Department: Gas Department
Street Department
Public Works Department

Item: (3) ¾ Ton Trucks – (2) with Utility Bodies (1) with Flatbed
Purpose: Replace aging trucks in poor condition
1989 Chevy ½ ton pickup
1989 Chevy ½ ton with utility body
1996 GMC with utility body (235,000 miles)

Budgeted: Yes - \$64,000
Notification – State Gazette, direct to 3 vendors

Bids: Rick Hill Nissan	No Response
Delta Chevrolet	No Response
Moody-Wadley	No Response
United Dodge	\$82,855.00
General Truck Sales	\$63,012.00
TN State Contract	\$61,762.11
Dyersburg Ford	\$61,591.19

Recommend bid be awarded to Dyersburg Ford, \$61,591.19.

Motion by Aldermen Dean and Lee.

WATER, SEWER AND GAS COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chairman Lewis Norman reported on the meeting of November 18, November 24 and December 6, 2004. Natural gas prices have not acted according to the law of supply and demand. Despite high storage levels and warm temperatures, prices remain at historic highs. An upswing in prices two hours before the settlement of December futures contracts cost the City \$168,000.

He reported that approximately 575 cross connection devices are in use. The City has sent letters and is working with 55 businesses to get devices installed in high hazard areas.

The City has approved under sink grease traps for existing businesses. This cuts installation cost to less than \$1,000.

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman James Lee reported on the meeting of November 29, 2004. The Committee recommended that the east-west drive across the park be paved and sunken below grade to provide drainage and have a curb to prevent vehicles from running onto the grass. The estimated \$25,500 cost will be funded using a \$15,000 transfer from salaries to park improvements.

Alderman McCright questioned the transfer of a portion of Clifford Johnson's salary to park improvements.

Alderman Lee stated that Johnson's tour of duty in Iraq freed up funds to be used to hire a part-time employee at Future City and to give a duty related raise to the temporary center director. A similar salary transfer occurred in 2003 when DAC salary funds were used to begin work on the walking track at Future City.

On a motion by Aldermen Lee and Guthrie the improvement to the Okeena Park road was approved and \$15,000 was authorized to be transferred from salaries at Future City to park improvements.

STREET COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chairman Freeman Dudley reported on the meeting of November 19, 2004. The street department is purchasing spotlights, signage, a clam shell for a backhoe and other equipment that can be used daily but is critical in an emergency. The public works generator will be connected to the shop and gas pumps at a cost of \$7,800. A 1968 grader will be replaced by rental during a short work period each year. It was proposed that a knuckle boom and a used dozer be considered in the 2005-2006 budget.

On a motion by Aldermen Dudley and Lee the Board authorized the following work:

- Develop a design and cost estimates for drainage on Samaria Bend Road;
- Ditch cleanup from Tickle Street to the Bypass along the west side of Pioneer Subdivision;
- Drainage improvement from Lake Road to Parr Avenue; and
- Road improvements in Okeena Park.

AIRPORT COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Bob Dean reported on the meeting of December 6, 2004. The consensus of the Committee was to support an annexation on the east side of Airport Road. Hangar improvements were discussed.

On a motion by Aldermen Dean and Lee the lowest bidder, Still Restaurant Supply was awarded a \$12,000 contract to install a vent-a-hood and fire suppression system in the airport terminal restaurant.

On a motion by Aldermen Dean and Dudley, the Board authorized improvements to the terminal necessary to meet City regulations on grease traps and cross connection.

MISC.

Mayor Revell announced a Gas Committee meeting for 2:00 p.m. December 20 and a Public Safety Committee meeting for January 4, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

Alderman Kirk announced a TML Executive Committee meeting in Nashville, December 7. Meeting with Governor Bredesen they will discuss state shared taxes, streamlined taxes and the BEP program.

Alderman Guthrie wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Alderman Dudley requested radar enforcement of speed limits on Court Street east from Frank Maynard to US-412.

Alderman Dean asked everyone to encourage the development of Cates Landing and to contact Kentucky U.S. Senators and ask them to support the project.

Alderman Lee wished all city employees a Merry Christmas.

Alderman Moody inquired about the absence of a Christmas Party for city employees.

Alderman Norman was told that bid letting for work to infill the bypass median will be let in February, 2005.

Alderman McCright asked that police check trucks on Hornbrook to insure that only local delivery moves on the street.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Bill Revell, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder