

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
April 17, 2006**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on April 17, 2006 in the Municipal Courtroom at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Revell presided with all members present.

The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag" followed by Alderman Howard Guthrie asking everyone to take a moment for silent prayer for all of those affected by the April 2 tornado.

The minutes of the April 3, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARING – BEER PERMIT

On a motion by Aldermen Lee and McCright a beer permit was approved for The Sandwich Depot at 209 Sampson Avenue South with the permit holder Rosemary Young.

MAIN STREET DYERSBURG

Mr. Joe Yates reported on the Downtown Association's seven year effort leading up to acceptance as a Main Street City. The Association has worked with outside consultants to develop a comprehensive plan for downtown revitalization and regional economic development. The next step is establishing a regional farmers market on the riverfront.

BIDS

The following bids were submitted for approval:

Dept. – Street

Item – Knuckleboom Loader

Purpose – Loading of curbside brush and debris

Budgeted – To be included in 2006-07 budget – July/August delivery

Notification – State Gazette, direct to 5 vendors

Bids - River City Hydraulics No Response

Barloworld Truck Center Rejected – Incomplete bid specs.

Hooper Machinery Rejected – Did not meet specs.

Scruggs Equipment \$124,457.00

CMI Equipment \$ 93,677.82

Award of bid to CMI Equipment, Nashville, \$93,677.82.

Motion by Aldermen Lee and Dean.

Dept. – Police

Item – Replace roof of Police Station/Court Room

Purpose – Existing roof is leaking

Budgeted - \$50,000 – FYE 2005-06

Notification – State Gazette, Construction Datafax, and direct to 3 vendors

Bids - Two Rivers Roofing No Response

Reese Roofing \$74,367.00

Frazier Roofing \$69,608.00

Award of bid to Frazier Roofing, Dyersburg, \$69,608.00 with project being completed in two phases. The first phase can be performed now at a cost of \$47,000, with \$22,608 to be included in the 2006-07 budget for the second phase.

Motion by Aldermen Dean and Lee.

AIRPORT COMMITTEE

Chairman Bob Dean reported on the meeting of April 7, 2006. The restaurant is closed and available for rent. Poles to install security lighting have been ordered. Dyersburg Air Service has new investors, Kerry and Joey Spindler. Day to day management will be handled by Joey Spindler.

On a motion by Aldermen Dean and Guthrie the Board authorized City Engineer Ken Ladd to determine the proper square footage lease fee and lease term for the proposed new hangar space land lease and to report back to the Airport Committee in 30 days.

On a motion by Aldermen Dean and Guthrie the Board authorized a committee be created to review the Civil Air Patrol's space requirements for storage, regular meeting area and a mission center. The committee will report to the Airport Committee within 30 days with a plan to meet the CAP's needs.

TREASURER'S REPORT

City Treasurer Robert Reed reported on city website changes. On a motion by Aldermen Dean and Lee, the Board authorized a change of current internet domain names to dyersburgtn.gov. The two domain names being replaced will remain active for domain forwarding for five years.

A report on fuel use after 9 months in the current budget shows a use reduction of 3131 gallons but a cost increase of \$20,097 over the same three quarters in the 2004-2005 budget.

The ninth month financial report ending March 31, 2006 was distributed. Mr. Reed explained the need to maintain a general fund balance equivalent to the annual property tax billing. The fund balance is used to secure an investment grade bond rating, to get favorable interest rates on bonds and loans, and to provide cash flow in the months where expenditures exceed revenue.

CITY ATTORNEY INVOICE

The city attorney invoice for March 1, 2006 through March 31, 2006 in the amount of \$6,697.25 was approved on a motion by Aldermen Lee and Kirk.

MISC.

Alderman Kirk asked a recreation committee meeting be held to discuss how to insure a wholesome family atmosphere in all city parks and recreational facilities. Verbal abuse and vulgar music have been a recent problem at Okeena Park.

Alderman Guthrie commended everyone for the stellar effort during tornado recovery in Dyer County. He expressed concern about conduct at Okeena Park.

Alderman Dudley reported that the street department picked up 39 loads totaling 40 tons in the recent Milltown cleanup. Bruce area cleanup will be April 17-19.

Alderman Dean on behalf of the Weed/Seed Steering Committee requested a debriefing on the tornado response and recovery, to help insure proper emergency preparedness. He asked Mayor Revell to contact CableOne to ask them to do monthly checks of their emergency alert system to avoid the two recent failures. He commended Captain Terry Ledbetter and the police officers who helped stem speeding on Clubhouse Drive and Flowering Dogwood. He commended everyone involved in the renovations at Ingram Field.

Alderman Lee commended Dale Synder and the street department for assisting Dyer County in tornado recovery. He expressed concerns about loud, vulgar behavior by a few young men at Okeena Park.

Alderman Moody asked the public safety committee to determine if any buildings could be made available as safe havens during a storm event. He asked that speeding on Butterworth Avenue be curtailed.

Alderman Norman inquired about the 2004/2005 year audit. Mr. Reed reported that a failure by the school system's auditors to do a GASB audit report has delayed completion until May 15, 2006.

Alderman McCright expressed appreciation for the installation of culverts on Upper Finley Road.

Mayor Revell announced the Great American Cleanup on May 13 and National Day of Prayer May 4th.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Bill Revell, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder