

Minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen
City of Dyersburg
July 2, 2007

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, July 2, 2007 in the municipal courtroom at 7 p.m.

Mayor John Holden presided with all Aldermen present.

The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag" and a prayer by Alderman Williams.

Minutes of the June 18, 2007 meeting were approved on a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Williams.

Housing and Urban Development

On a motion by Aldermen McCright and Norman, the Board approved a waiver of income eligibility under the Dyersburg Housing Rehabilitation Program for applicants Bill and Emily Ray at 211 Butterworth Avenue, to include only taxable income in determining their annual household income. The taxable income must not exceed annual income limits as set by the program. This waiver will allow assistance in rehabilitation to the home to accommodate the homeowner's needs as a result of disability. It will also allow the program to address other deficiencies that may require attention to ensure a safe, livable environment for the homeowners.

Bids

The following bids were approved on recommendation by Purchasing Agent Greg Williams:

1. Department: Water Distribution
Item: Open Purchase Order
Purpose: Water Meters & Meter Parts
Budgeted: Yes – FY 07-08
Notification: None - Distributor for Standardized Meter
Bids: United Utilities

Contingent on passage of proposed budget I recommend bid be awarded to, United Utilities, Hampstead, NC, \$30,000.00. Motion by Aldermen Kirk and Williams.

2. Department: Police Department
Item: Open Purchase Order
Purpose: Patrol Uniforms
Budgeted: Yes – FY 07-08
Notification: None – Distributor for Standardized Uniform
Bids: Gall's

Contingent on passage of proposed budget I recommend bid be awarded to, Gall's, Lexington, KY, \$17,000.00. Motion by Aldermen Williams and Moody.

3. Department: Street
Item: 195 tons of Coldmix
Purpose: Asphalt / Pothole Repair
Budgeted: Yes – FY 07-08
Notification – None – Sole Source of Supply
Bids: QPR

Contingent on passage of proposed budget I recommend bid be awarded to QPR, Alpharetta, GA, \$18,000.00. Motion by Aldermen Williams and McCright.

4. Department: Street Department
Item: Hwy Salt
Purpose: Deicing Streets
Budgeted: Yes – FY 07-08
Notification – None - State Contract

Recommend award of bid to North American Salt, Overland Park, KS, \$17,000.00. Motion by Aldermen Walker and Chaney.

Recreation/Finance Committee Report

Recreation Committee Chairman Shannon Walker reported on the joint meeting held on June 19, 2007. The Committee discussed proposed budgets for the Recreation Department and Golf Course. On a motion by Aldermen Walker and Moody the Board approved an increase in rates charged at the Golf Course effective July 1, 2007.

Finance Committee Report

Chairman Lewis Norman reported on the June 27, 2007 meeting. The Committee met with representatives of Barker Brothers Waste concerning the City's garbage collection. They also discussed the advantages and proposed savings of automatic meter reading and continued their discussion of the 07/08 budget.

Miscellaneous

Alderman Kirk asked if the Street Committee had a list of streets that need paving if funds are available.

Alderman Williams encouraged everyone to have a happy and safe 4th of July.

Alderman Dudley stated that the Bluegrass Festival was a big success and there will be another one in five or six weeks.

Alderman Walker assured citizens that there will be provisions made for the elderly and handicapped if the City changes to curbside garbage collection.

Alderman Moody stated that increasing the tax rate every time there is a shortfall in the budget is not the answer, but ways to cut costs, such as consolidation of utility billing, combining recreation programs and cutting car allowances should be considered.

Alderman Norman agreed that there are things in the budget that he doesn't like but stated that we have to operate a government.

Alderman McCright inquired about the possibility of putting video cameras in more patrol cars.

Mayor Holden announced a called Board Meeting on Thursday, July 5, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in the upstairs conference room at City Hall for final discussion of the 07/08 budget. He also announced that the City has received a notice to proceed on the traffic light at Mall Blvd. and Parr Ave.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

John Holden, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder