

Minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen
City of Dyersburg
September 4, 2007

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Tuesday, September 4, 2007 in the municipal courtroom at 7 p.m.

Mayor Holden presided with all Aldermen present except Alderman McCright.

The meeting opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag” and prayer by Alderman Freeman Dudley.

The minutes of the August 20, 2007 meeting were approved as written on a motion by Aldermen Williams and Norman.

Chamber Education Committee

Education Chair Dr. Karen Bowyer outlined the various programs promoting education in Dyer County: Tennessee Scholars, E-Academy, On Track for College, ACT search and explore test, GED, dual high school – college credit and Dyer County Promise. She introduced second year nursing student Ms. Ashley Scott, who thanked the Board for Dyer County Promise. Other Dyer County Promise students present with their families included Chrisann Palmer, Abbie Riggs, Heather Brewer, and David Bennett. In the 2007-2008 school year Dyer County Promise is helping 18 students at Tennessee Technology and 13 second-year and 31 first-year students at Dyersburg State Community College.

Public Hearing – Beer Permit – Club 51

On a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Norman, a beer permit was approved for Club 51 at 405 Highway 51 Bypass North with permit holders Brenda Bonds Jackson and Ebonie Strayhorn.

E-911 Unification

Emergency Operations Manager Mark Grant explained that the Safety Committee had recommended support of E-911 unification for the following reasons: Tennessee law encourages unification; need for interoperable communications; 80% of all counties currently consolidated; avoids call transfers; emergency medical assistance can be offered to every Dyer Countian; and one high level of service.

On a motion by Aldermen Williams and Norman the Board passed a resolution supporting E-911 unification in Dyer County.

Public Safety Committee Report

Chairman Bob Kirk reported on the meeting of August 23, 2007. The Committee is scheduling a meeting to review red light cameras for several major intersections. The 311 system will go online in spring of 2008. The stop signs at Flowering Dogwood at Cornelian are now functional. The lease of police cars was authorized per the 2007-2008 budget.

Miscellaneous

Alderman Williams outlined skateboard park regulations.

Alderman Moody commented on helmet use at the skateboard park.

Alderman Norman was told that MTAS has been contacted about the need for technical assistance on the ISO fire rating and the Westlake traffic study will be reviewed at a future safety committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

John Holden, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder