

Board of Mayor and Aldermen
City of Dyersburg
October 15, 2007

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, October 15, 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 prayer by Alderman Freeman Dudley.

The minutes of the September 17, 2007 meeting were approved on a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Williams.

D.S.C.C. Name Change

Dr. Buck Tarpley and Ms. Katie Winchester explained that a firm has been hired to research the impact of a name change on the ability of Dyersburg State Community College to better fulfill its core mission of providing quality education to far West Tennessee’s rural counties. The school has major campuses in Dyersburg, Trenton, and Covington.

Chamber Existing Industry Committee

Vice Chair Wendell West explained the Existing Industry Committee’s role in maintaining a trained workforce and a vibrant economy. The 41 industries in Dyer County employ over 6,000 people.

Resolution 101507A – 2008 Transportation Enhancement Program – Engineering Consultants

City Recorder Glyn Twilla explained that the firm of Askew, Hargroves, and Harcourt would provide engineering design work for the 2008 TEP grant on a no cost basis and would be the consulting engineers if the grant is successfully funded. The consultant agreement was approved by resolution on a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Dudley. The resolution is as follows:

Resolution No. 101507A

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersburg, Tennessee desires to apply for financial grant assistance as provided under the State of Tennessee 2008 Transportation Enhancement Program; and

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of Main Street Dyersburg the Board of Aldermen of the City of Dyersburg accepts the recommendation of Main Street Dyersburg and finds it in the City’s best interest to secure the assistance of an experienced and qualified engineering services firm to assist in preparing the Transportation Enhancement Grant; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with pertinent Tennessee Department of Transportation regulations, Main Street Dyersburg solicited and evaluated statements of qualifications of interested professional engineering firms; and

WHEREAS, the Main Street Dyersburg has determined that Askew, Hargraves and Harcourt has the most appropriate experience, background and qualifications to provide said services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Dyersburg, that John Holden, Mayor, and successors in title, be authorized and is hereby directed as follows:

- 1) Engage the services of Askew, Hargraves, and Harcourt to provide engineering services as required to prepare the City’s FY 2008 Transportation Enhancement Grant application, and
- 2) In the event that the subject grant application is funded, enter into a subsequent contract with the said firm to perform the engineering services required by the

grant. It is specifically understood and directed that the fees of the firm for such services shall be as set forth in the City's FY 2008 Transportation Enhancement Grant as approved by the Board of Aldermen prior to submittal to the State.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 15th day of October, 2007.

Resolution 101507B – 2008 TEP – Grant Application

Main Street Dyersburg Director Steve Guttery requested authorization for local funding and submittal of a TEP grant for downtown improvements. The grant request would be \$600,000 state funds with a \$150,000 local match. The funding and submittal were approved by resolution on a motion by Aldermen Norman and Walker. The resolution is as follows:

Resolution No. 101507B

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Transportation has responsibility for the administration of the Tennessee Department of Transportation – Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP) which is designed to assist communities in their efforts to enhance transportation concerns.

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersburg, acting by and through its Board of Aldermen proposes to apply for the TEP funds for the purpose of performing eligible transportation enhancement activities that will benefit the majority of the residents of the City of Dyersburg.

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersburg will provide local financial support in conjunction with the TEP funds to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersburg, as a recipient is required to designate and appoint a Financial Officer to perform certain duties in the administration of said grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Dyersburg as follows:

THAT, Mayor John Holden is hereby authorized to execute and submit an application with appropriate assurances to the State of Tennessee, Department of Transportation, requesting Fiscal Year 2008 TEP funds in the amount not to exceed \$750,000 for the 2008 City of Dyersburg Downtown Enhancement Project.

THAT, the City of Dyersburg will be responsible for the local cash/match toward the project to be provided in full by the general account; and

THAT, Mayor John Holden be and is hereby designated and appointed as Financial Officer and to perform on behalf of the City of Dyersburg, Tennessee, those acts and assume such duties as are consistent with said position.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 15th day of October, 2007.

Resolution 101507C – 2008 TEP – Administrative Assistance

On Mr. Steve Guttery's request the Board authorized the use of Community Development Partners, LLC to serve as the professional grant administrative assistance firm for the TEP grant. The consultant agreement was approved by resolution on a motion by Aldermen Norman and Walker. The resolution is as follows:

Resolution No. 101507C

WHEREAS, the City of Dyersburg, Tennessee desires to apply for financial grant assistance under the Tennessee 2008 Transportation Enhancement Program, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Dyersburg finds it in the City's best interest upon the recommendation of Main Street Dyersburg to secure the assistance of an experienced and qualified administrative service firm to assist in preparing the 2008 Transportation Enhancement Program Grant application; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with pertinent State regulations, Main Street Dyersburg has solicited and evaluated statements of qualifications of interested professional grant administrative assistance firms; and

WHEREAS, the Main Street Dyersburg has determined that Community Development Partners, LLC has the most appropriate experience, background and qualifications to provide said services; and

WHEREAS, Community Development Partners, LLC will conduct the work necessary to complete the Transportation Enhancement Program grant application on a no-cost basis.

WHEREAS, upon funding the Board of Aldermen will enter into a subsequent contract with the Community Development Partners, LLC to perform the administrative services required by the grant. It is specifically understood and directed that the fees of the firm for such services shall be as set forth in the City's FY 2008 Transportation Enhancement Grant as approved by the Board of Aldermen prior to submittal to the State.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Dyersburg hereby selects Community Development Partners, LLC to provide assistance in the preparation and administration of the City's Transportation Enhancement Program Grant.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 15th day of October, 2007.

Bids

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

Department: Police Department

Item: (10) Ford Crown Victoria Police Cars

Purpose: 3-year lease to replace older cars

Budgeted: Yes

Notification – State Gazette, Direct to 4 Dealers

Bids: Dealer	Per Car	Per Year	3-Year Total
Golden Circle Ford	No Bid		
Tim Castellaw Ford	\$22,916.83	\$80,341.73	\$241,025.19
Price Ford	\$21,901.55	\$76,787.80	\$230,364.40
Alexander Ford	\$21,358.00	\$75,571.63	\$226,714.89
TN State Contract Price	\$22,164.41		

Recommendation: Bid awarded to Alexander Ford, Murfreesboro, \$75,571.63/year.

Motion by Aldermen Kirk and Moody.

Department: Water Plant

Item: Chemically Clean Deep Well #7

Purpose: Maximize flow and extend well life

Budgeted: Yes

Notification – Construction Datafax, Direct to 5 Vendors

Bids: Hand Service Co.	\$56,180.05
Mid-South Water Works	\$25,000.00
Donald Smith Co.	\$19,959.00
Brotcke Well and Pump	\$16,586.00
Layne-Central	\$12,678.00

Recommendation: Bid awarded to Layne-Central, Memphis, \$12,678.00.

Motion by Aldermen Norman and McCright.

City Attorney Invoice

The City Attorney invoice for September 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007 in the amount of \$12,787.26 was approved on a motion by Aldermen Dudley and Williams.

Public Safety Committee Report

Chairman Bob Kirk reported on the meeting of September 18, 2007. The Committee had reviewed traffic studies of Westlake and Flowering Dogwood. It was determined that targeted patrol was more effective than streetscape alternation using speed bumps.

Per the Committee's recommendation Aldermen Kirk and Norman presented a motion to contract with American Traffic Solutions to provide digital traffic cameras at 2 intersections as a safety measure with operation costs to be covered by fine sharing between the company and the City. The motion failed.

Street and Sanitation Committee Report

Chairman Freeman Dudley reported on the meetings of September 25 and October 12, 2007. The Committee had reviewed and recommended to the full Board a once a week backdoor pickup plan for residential garbage. The main features of the plan are as follows:

1. Reduce the number of routes from 5 to 3
2. Reduce workforce from 22 to 14
3. Two drivers will become utility men filling in wherever needed as drivers, carriers, etc.
4. Estimated cost savings of \$330,000 annually.

The Board approved once a week backdoor residential garbage pickup to begin by the first of 2008 on a motion by Aldermen Dudley and Walker. A roll call vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Finance Committee Report

Chairman Lewis Norman reported on the October 15, 2007 meeting. The Committee had reviewed the Main Street resolutions and recommended them to the full Board. Other items discussed: Quarterly financial reports have been prepared; Mayor will hold department head meetings; good claims experience has lead to lowered workmen's compensation insurance premiums; stormwater program is on track with annual report filed and new MS4 contract due in February 2008; lot maintenance review committee has been appointed; delinquent utility accounts on Dyersburg Suburban Utility District are being collected; and proposals for consulting engineer are being solicited.

Recreation Committee Report

Chairman Shannon Walker reported on the meeting of October 15, 2007. The Committee reviewed the bids for the replacement of the pool deck at the Dyersburg Activity Center and discussed ways to find local funding to match the LPRF grant funds. Purchasing handled the bid process per state regulations but received only one bid. The bidder was Claunch Construction at \$84,200 with an additional \$7,200 to remove the existing concrete.

On a motion by Aldermen Walker and Norman the Board accepted the bid by Claunch Construction for \$92,000 to replace the pool deck at the D.A.C. with the Mayor authorized to find the required local funding to match the available LPRF funds.

Miscellaneous

Alderman Williams congratulated everyone involved in the downtown BBQ Cook-off and Bluegrass. He reminded viewers about the October 18th surplus land auction and the Mission March.

Alderman Dudley questioned the recent surplus of water reported in the water production-distribution report.

Alderman Chaney asked that the street sweeper be used at the intersection of Lake Road at the Bypass.

Alderman Walker stated that months of study lead to the conclusion that once a week backdoor residential garbage pickup is the best choice for efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and quality of service. He thanked the Mayor and the City Attorney for efforts on revising the vicious dog ordinance.

Alderman Moody inquired about loud music in cars and the volume of noise ordinance citations.

Alderman Norman asked that dumping costs for the demolition pit at the landfill be reviewed and fees adjusted.

Alderman McCright spoke about the effect of large dogs on the security of the elderly.

Mayor Holden announced a Merit Board meeting for Friday, October 19, 2007 at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

John Holden, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder