

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
April 18, 2005**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Dyersburg met in regular session on Monday, April 18, 2005 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 and prayer by Alderman Lee.

The minutes of April 4 and April 11, 2005 were approved as submitted.

CITY ATTORNEY INVOICE

The City Attorney's invoice for March 1 through March 31, 2005 in the amount of \$10,523.95 was approved on a motion by Aldermen Dean and Dudley.

The Aldermen asked a number of questions about the bill. The consensus of the Board was a directive to the Mayor as follows: all inquiries to the City Attorney must be made through the Mayor and by his permission only; a memo to all department heads will direct them to get authorization from the Mayor before talking to the City Attorney.

SALE LOT – LATTAWOODS

On a motion by Aldermen Dean and Lee the City agreed to sell to Mr. Milton McGee a three-fourth acre lot adjoining the west side of the McGee property at 421 Lattawoods Drive West for the appraised value of \$10,000.00.

WATER, SEWER & GAS COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Lewis Norman reported on the meeting of April 6, 2005. The cross connection program reported showed that the annual inspection program is ahead of schedule.

On a motion by Aldermen Norman and Guthrie the Board approved a gas installer registration to provide safeguards to the general public. The registration policy includes the following: each applicant for registration must have a valid business license, the required bond and liability insurance; a prerequisite to the registration is a score of 70 percent on a 30 question review; any company with permits prior to January 1, 2005 can attend a training seminar as an alternative to the questionnaire; there will be an annual fee of \$25 for registration and a fee of \$25 to administer the questionnaire.

Gas Superintendent Mike Morgan stated that the registration is an effort to encourage training and skill development among individuals who seek to do gas installations.

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Alderman Dean called for a policy, if all else is equal, to hire residents of the City or those willing to relocate instead of those living outside the City.

Alderman Lee explained the high cost of federal mandates and how they are a burden to the local taxpayer.

Alderman Moody inquired about street paving for 2005. He stated that the contractor at the Intermediate School should be responsible for paving damaged on Tibbs Street.

Alderman Norman requested that the police department enforce the new law prohibiting basketball backstops from being placed on city streets and right-of-way.

Alderman McCright stated that he had a basketball court removed from a street. He requested that a burned out house on Peabody Avenue be repaired or removed. A new four way stop at Hornbrook and Bowen Lane caused confusion and he requested better notification, signage and warning when a change occurs on an existing street.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Bill Revell, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder