

Minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen
City of Dyersburg
May 17, 2010

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, May 17, 2010 in the municipal court room at 7p.m.

Mayor John Holden presided with all aldermen present except Alderman McCright.

The meeting opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag" followed by prayer by Aldermen Lewis Norman.

The minutes of the May 3, 2010 meeting were approved on a motion by Aldermen Horner and Williams.

Forked Deer River Flood

Building Official Gleyne Twilla gave a report and responded to Aldermen's questions about recovery efforts in the effected flood areas of Southtown, Evansville and East Dyersburg. He commended the Fire and Police Departments for their efforts in warning, rescue and securing the flood areas. The flood affected 364 buildings, of which approximately 80% were residential. The City Codes Department and the Dyersburg Electric System are doing joint inspection of the flooded properties to help owners determine what needs to be repaired to insure a safe and sanitary home or business. The City will use the Neighborhood Stabilization Program to fund free tear down and clean up for area residents. The Town Hall meeting held at the Lannom Center on May 13 gave everyone a chance to have their questions answered and to meet with representatives of the various agencies involved in the recovery. The Red Cross shelter at the First Methodist Church and supported by the Dyer Baptist Association and the First Baptist Church housed 27 persons on its peak night. Hundreds of flood victims have been taken in by family or are in area motels. The FEMA office at the Mall continues to serve the victims and many have already received checks to help with repairs, replacement or relocation. The City's and its citizens' response to the flood is commendable. Lessons learned in this response will serve the City well in the future.

Bids

The following bids were reviewed and approved by the Board. Alderman Williams stated that his wife acts as attorney for the Tim Castellaw Ford.

1. Department: Police
Item: 2010 Ford Crown Vic Police Car
Purpose: Replace 2008 Crown Vic totaled in accident
Budgeted: No - Insurance paid \$19,974.48 on claim
Notification: State Gazette – Direct to 4 vendors
Bids: Golden Circle Ford No Response
 Homer Skelton Ford No Response
 Alexander Ford \$25,636.00
 Tim Castellaw Ford \$24,984.91

Recommendation: Award bid to Tim Castellaw Ford, Dyersburg, \$24,984.91.
Motion by Aldermen Kirk and Norman.

2. Department: Gas
Item: Pickup Truck
Purpose: Replace 1996 Chevrolet Pickup – 145,000 miles
Budgeted: \$25,000
Notification: State Gazette – Direct to 4 vendors
Bids: Golden Circle Ford No Response
 Rick Hill Nissan No Response
 Delta Auto No Response
 Tim Castellaw Ford \$20,132.25

Recommendation: Award bid to Tim Castellaw Ford, Dyersburg, \$20,132.25.
Motion by Aldermen Dudley and Chaney.

City Attorney Invoice

The City Attorney invoice for the month of April in the amount of \$15,898.17 was approved on a motion by Aldermen Kirk and Horner.

Reports

Alderman Kirk commended City employees for the work in the rescue and recovery in the flood areas. The Town Hall meeting was every effective.

Alderman Williams praised everyone for coming together in a time of need.

Alderman Dudley inquired about the cracking of the new asphalt on Frank Maynard and on Mall Boulevard at Parr.

Alderwoman Horner asked for prayer for those affected by the flood because recovery is a long range process.

Alderman Moody reported that the Feed the Need program is Friday May 21.

Alderman Norman inquired about the April report that 173 fireflies had to be replaced. Utility Distribution Manager Mike Morgan reported that the fireflies are being replaced under warranty. The City has done extensive training to try to insure effective operation and repair of the fireflies. The fireflies re-conditioned by Datamatic have a 30% failure rate upon their initial return.

Mayor Holden reported that the April revenue at the Golf Course was \$37,834 and a 43% increase over April 2009. He announced that this is National Public Works Week and there will be a luncheon for public works employees on May 21.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

John Holden, Mayor

Gleyn T. Twilla, City Recorder