

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 27, 2010 – 7:00PM

Mayor Agee opened the meeting and instructed the clerk to call roll. Answering present were Aldermen Peart, Holley, Larson, Wilkey, and Sims and Mauzey

Mauzey made the motion to accept the March minutes as presented. Seconded by Peart. Aldermen Peart, Larson, Wilkey, Sims, and Mauzey answering, Aye. Alderman Holley answering Abstain.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Wilkey supplied a copy of the Monthly Activity Report to the Board. 32 total disorderly. 1 aggravated battery, graffiti in the park and elevator brick wall. Council consented to offer a \$50 reward in helping find the person responsible. Police will ask for restitution. May 21st, 6th Grade DARE graduation; May 15th Abandoned Property Sale at 10AM. The rest of the bicycles that were not sold will be donated for a Scout Project.

Police Dept will be available for the Trackbacker Run.

ATTORNEY REPORT: City Attorney, Mike Antoline, was not present for Council Meeting. He did send a letter to Council indicating the status of pending matters.

ENGINEER REPORT: Mauzey made the motion to accept the MFT Resolution for the 2010 Program in the amount of \$230,000. Second by Larson. All council members present, Aye. Motion Carried.

Once an approval letter comes back from IDOT, Steve will get back to firm up a schedule to advertise for bids.

ZONING REPORT: One new home construction permit issued and a garage permit per Chief Wilkey.

NEW BUSINESS: Larson made the motion to appoint Chief Wilkey as the FOIA Officer for the Police Dept. Seconded by Mauzey. All council members present, Aye. Motion Carried.

Wilkey make the motion to allow M/F Community Bank to precede with construction on both sidewalk project, City's participation pending. Seconded by Larson. All council members present, Aye. Motion Carried. Alderman Wilkey stated he would get back with Gary Bohner.

Gary Bohner, M/F Comm Bank President stated the old alleyway behind the bank and the old police station is starting to crack and drop. Mr. Bohner presented a map from the tax office, which indicates this parcel appears to be an alley. Mayor Agee will check the County's GIS map for ownership of this property and get back with Mr. Bohner.

Larson made to motion to accept the 2010-2011 City Budget. Seconded by Sims. All council members present, Aye. Motion Carried.

Barbeck Communication spokesperson was not present to request additional equipment be placed on the water tower. Alderman Wilkey will call Barbeck to inquire about this request.

Alderman Holley recommended the Electric Vehicle Ordinance be tabled until the State gets regulations in order. Council agreed.

Alderman Peart recommended the City hire two new part-time positions for grass cutting. The second person would be the back up person. Council was in agreement to this recommendation. The new hires will start as soon as possible.

Mayor Agee has been approached about renting about spaces in the gym during the citywide rummage sales. Council was in agreement to this and set the price at \$10 for two tables and \$5 for each additional table. This and the 5/15/10-Abandoned Property Sale will be placed on the City's website and in the newsletter.

Mauzey made the motion to accept Mayor Agee's recommendation to appoint Alderman Ryan Wilkey as Mayor ProTem, while he is away. Seconded by Peart. Aldermen Peart, Holley, Larson, Sims and Mauzey, Aye. Alderman Wilkey, Abstain.

Council agreed to increase the Bulk Water Rate to \$6.00 per thousand gallons. This will be change when the ordinances is revised to reflect the 5% increase in water sales.

Council was in agreement to increase Kenny newsletter fee is \$.10 per copy (page).

CITIZENS COMMENT: Tiffany Peters voiced concerns about the Lentz's Property at 221 E Garfield. This property has been a long time problem for the City. Chief Wilkey will get pictures of these violations and become active again on the existing violations.

No action taken on the request of stops signs being placed on the corners of Chestnut and Garfield and Oak and Garfield Streets.

No action taken on the request regarding temporary speed bumps in front of the ball diamonds on East Main Street.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Alderman Mauzey stated it cost to participate in the Macon County Economic Development. She will email the City's updated website to them.

Alderman Peart stated the Personnel Handbook should b be completed by next week. He would like everyone to look at the revised copy before the next meeting. He will burn a CD and forward it to Alderman Mauzey and she will get everyone a copy. It will be approved at next month's meeting.

Alderman Wilkey created a Sidewalk Repair Form to be available at City Hall for anyone requesting a sidewalk repair.

Alderman Holley requested cameras be purchased and displayed at the park to help stop the vandalism being done there. No action taken.

Mauzey made a motion to accept the April bills. Seconded by Wilkey. All council members present, Aye. Motion Carried.

ADJOURN: Wilkey made the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. Seconded by Mauzey. All council members present, Aye. Motion Carried.

All council members were present when going back into open session. Larson made the motion hire Darin Fowler as the Full-time City Crew Employee. Seconded by Peart. All council members present, Aye. Motion Carried. He will start to work on Monday. His starting wage will be \$15 per hour and will be on a 90- Days Probation Period.

ADJOURN: Larson made the motion to adjourn Seconded by Peart. All council members present, Aye. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Angela Sarver