

## **MARCH 10, 2009**

The Harriman City council met in regular session March 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Harriman Municipal/Utility Building. The Honorable Chris Mason, Mayor was present and presiding. Mayor called meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer by Councilmember Wright. Roll call of Council was as follows:

PRESENT: Ken Mynatt  
J.D. Sampson  
Chase Tedder  
Lonnie Wright

ABSENT: Kenyon Mee

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the minutes from March 3, 2009. Councilmember Sampson made the motion and Councilmember Mynatt seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to pay the bills. Councilmember Wright made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Tedder. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

### **DELEGATIONS**

Mayor Mason asked the Public if anyone would like to approach Council. Police Chief, Randy Heidle approached the Board regarding purchasing a used 2006 Crown Vic. Chief Heidle would like to replace the 2001 Cruiser with the 2006. Chief Heidle advised that he is spent \$1100.00 to repair the car and the car is only worth \$2500.00. He would like Council's permission to purchase the 2006 Crown Vic for \$11,000.00. Chief Heidle advised that he has the money in the budget and he will transfer all of the equipment from the 2001 to the 2006. This comes before the Council as a Police Board Recommendation. Councilman Mynatt made a motion to purchase the 2006 Crown Vic for \$11,000. Councilman Sampson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous Roll Call "Yes".

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Wright if he had any old business. Councilmember Wright introduced J.D. Williams; Roane Counties most decorated War Veteran. He presented Mr. Williams with a plaque honoring his service to the Country as well as to the Community. Mr. Wright also introduced Mr. Williams's friend, Jackie Jackson that spoke about Mr. Williams. Mayor Mason presented Mr. Williams with a Proclamation declaring March 10<sup>th</sup>, J.D. Williams Day.

Councilman Wright also referenced the audit of the Contract between the City of Harriman and Prestige Land. Councilman Wright advised that the State Comptroller's Office said that the City would correct discrepancies and possibly seek money from Prestige for money owed. Councilman Wright made a motion to authorize and request the Mayor, City Attorney, and City Treasurer to take the necessary actions including having an audit performed, bringing in outside legal assistance, and filing any legal actions needed to bring resolution to this issue with in 90 days. Councilman Sampson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous Roll Call "Yes".

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Mynatt if he had any old business. Councilmember Mynatt advised that he did not have any old business to discuss.

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Sampson if he had any old business. Councilmember Sampson advised that he would like for the Annexation Law Suit against Kingston over the Midtown Annexation to be heard by a Court outside of Roane County. It was advised in a discussion that the law suit will be heard outside of Roane County, because it is in the appeals status. Because a judge in

Roane County has already voted "no", it will then go to the next level above the Roane County court system.

**AGENDA**

Fair Housing Resolution - Mayor Mason read the Fair Housing Resolution advising that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or familial status or handicap is prohibited by Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Rights Act as amended (Fair Housing Law). A motion to approve the Fair Housing Resolution was made by Councilman Wright and seconded by Councilman Tedder. The motion passed with a unanimous Roll Call "Yes".

Harriman's Spring Pride Day - Mayor Mason advised that April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009 is Harriman's Pride Day for spring 2009. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year the program has been in place. The City of Harriman will provide dumpsters at Walnut Hill Boat Ramp, the City Street Department, and at the Police Department for Harriman City citizens to bring their trash including paint cans, tires, appliances, furniture, etc. Councilman Mynatt suggested a reward to encourage participants in cleaning up. A motion was made to make April 4<sup>th</sup> Harriman Pride Day for Spring Clean-up 2009 by Councilman Tedder. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wright. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

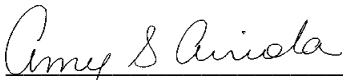
Mayor Mason acknowledged that Police Officer Michael Cox was accommodated during the Police Board for alerting the Fire Department of a smoking building that he saw while on patrol. Fire personnel advised that if it hadn't of been for Officer Cox, several businesses on the block would have been destroyed by fire.

There being no further business, motion was made by Councilmember Tedder and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. Motion to adjourn was passed with a unanimous "Aye".



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Christopher B. Mason/Mayor



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Amy S. Arriola/City Clerk