

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES MAY 12, 2009

The Harriman City council met in regular session May 12, 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 the meeting to order with 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

A motion was made by Councilmember Tedder to approve the minutes from May 05, 2009 and was seconded by Councilmember Sampson. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

A motion was made by Councilmember Wright to pay the bills for the month and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Delegations-None Old Business-

Street Paving- Councilmember Wright stated that of the five streets that were chosen for paving three of them could be paid for from in this fiscal year for an approximate total of \$47000.00. The streets are Roberts, Perry and Rosemont. The other two could be paid out of STP funds in the next fiscal year. The motion was made to bid out the paving of the three streets by Councilmember Wright and seconded by Councilmember Sampson. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Crusin- Councilmember Mynatt thanked everyone who came out to Crusin and the Miss Polk Salad Festival in spite of the rain.

Councilmember Sampson stated that he had asked Charles Kerley if he could find out if the City could swap property for a lot between the River Front Park and Soccer Field for a lot at the old coal log place. Charles Kerley received a response from Chad Jackson, lawyer in the State Comptroller's Office stating that it could not be done. The only option is to take the green belt lot by eminent domain, purchase it, or lease it from the owner. The commercial lot owned by the city that would have been traded must be sold at public auction should the city dispose of it. It was suggested to make another offer to Mr. Skidmore.

Mayor Mason wanted to remind everyone that worked for the city that they cannot participate in campaigning while on duty. Mayor Mason stated he reprimand anyone does.

Mayor Mason stated that he would like for himself, council members and department heads to start a neighborhood walk this summer. This would get the public involved with the city and find out what their concerns are.

Mayor Mason stated that he would like to start having budget workshops in June. He stated he had asked the department heads to make their budget requests five percent less than last year. He also stated that he didn't know how much or if any raises will be given.

Mayor Mason explained to council the concern that the wrecker services were having by not being able to get call for wrecks on the interstate. He stated that Chief Heidle is checking into it.

Mayor Mason stated that the stage is built for the council room in the new building. He asked for a motion to change the meeting place from the utility board to the new office. The motion was made by Councilmember Tedder and was seconded by Councilmember Sampson. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Mayor Mason stated that the first council meeting in June falls on Election Day and asked for a motion to move the dates to the second and third Tuesday for the month of June only. The motion was made by Councilmember Mynatt and was seconded by Councilmember Tedder. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Councilmember Tedder on behalf of the police board and Chief Heidle stated that due to six surgeries policeman Jon Wilson has used all his sick time. Tracey Bolden would donate forty hours of her time to be transferred to him and Kenny Humphrey would donate twenty hours of his sick time. He asked for a motion to approve the transfer. The motion was made by Councilmember Mynatt and was seconded by Councilmember Wright. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

AGENDA

Second Reading Ordinance 05-09-1

Mayor Mason read the Ordinance 05-09-01 and explained that there had been a public hearing on this ordinance with no one commenting on the rezoning. The motion was made to pass the ordinance by Councilmember Tedder and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

HAZMAT PAY

Mayor Mason explained that there were eight firemen that had taken training classes and were not paid for their time whereas there were other groups of firemen that went for training before and after the group and were paid. On the recommendation from the Fire Board Mayor Mason asked for a motion to pay the fireman contingent on having Charles Kerley to come up with a final dollar amount. The dollar amount is approximately \$8000.00. The motion was made by Councilmember Mynatt and was seconded by Councilmember Tedder. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Appointment for Temperance Building Committee

Mayor Mason stated he still did not have the recommendation for the Temperance Building Committee.

Riverfront Park Dock

Councilmember Mynatt explained that David Webb had fixed the dock at the Riverfront Park and therefore there was not any need to award the bid for the repair.

Lien for 1023 Mayberry Street

Marian Nelson, Building Inspector, explained that this was a house that was torn down beside a church and the city did the demo. The motion was made by Councilmember Tedder to approve the lien and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

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

Drack Langley asked council for approval to purchase soccer equipment and supplies for approximately \$2500.00. The motion was made by Councilmember Tedder and was seconded by Councilmember Wright. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned



Chris Mason
Mayor



Tracey Bolden
Interim City Clerk