

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES JUNE 16, 2009

The Harriman City council met in regular session June 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Harriman Municipal 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: Kenyon Mee
Ken Mynatt
J.D. Sampson
Lonnie Wright
ABSENT: Chase Tedder

A motion was made by Councilmember Mynatt to approve the minutes from June 9, 2009 and was seconded by Councilmember Mee. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

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

Delegations

Gabriel Speaks with Liberty National presented the board with a flier on group term life insurance that would be paid for individually by the employees. He liberated a little on the flier and what they have to offer the employees of the City. The Mayor made a suggestion to make a motion for Councilmember Tedder to take a closer look at this matter and get back in touch with Mr. Speaks. The motion was made by councilmember Mynatt and was seconded by councilmember Mee. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Dennis Love a citizen whom as lived in The City of Harriman all his life at the corner of Crescent Dr and Clinch Ave. He is having issues with speeders in front of his house. He is requesting a stop sign on Clinch Ave to help slow drivers down. He is concerned with the welfare of the citizens who cross that road on a daily basis. Mayor asked Officer Kenny Humphrey to have Chief Heidle and Drack to take a look at the situation and bring the results back to the next Police Board meeting.

Michael Demyanovich with the Temperance Building Preservation Committee gave a brief update and thanked the Council for their support. He said that he would meet with them at a later date as to how far they wanted to go with the restoration. His recommendation for the first steps to be done is to shore up the foundation, weather proof the building and some exterior work that is desperately needed.

Maria Nelson presented the board with a map on an alleyway that the school board has asked the City to close for an outdoor welding shop. They had requested the facility to go in front of the building but the Planning Commission didn't like the idea. After much discussion on where the Alley is located it was decided to have Laura, with the State Planning Office, continue to work on an ordinance. The first reading is will be at the special called meeting scheduled for June 23, 2009 at 6:00pm right before the City workshop.

Kenny Humphrey with the City Police department requested permission to pay an extended maintenance agreement for the computer server that handles all of the digital evidence captured on the cameras in the police vehicles. The total of the bill is \$2,085.00. Councilman Wright asked if there was enough money in the budget to cover this expense. Officer Humphrey said, "Yes it would come out of the fiscal year 09/10 budget". The agreement will go into effect on January 1, 2010. The Mayor asked for a motion to pay this contract. A motion was made by councilmember Mynatt and seconded by councilmember Wright to pay the contract for \$2085.00. Roll was called and all was in favor motion passed.

Old Business-

Councilmember Mee asked, "Mr. Balcom where do we stand on the annexation with Kingston?" Harold stated that both sides have submitted their briefs. They are waiting to hear from the court of appeals for when they go to argue it. They haven't given them a date yet. When they go to argue it, both sides will be given 20 minutes. That is all the time allowed to tell them their positions and answer the questions, but they do not have a date yet. When Mr. Balcom has a date he will inform council so they can attend if they so choose.

Dr. Kerley informed council that he put out for bids on the paving projects. He did not receive any Sealed Bids. However he did receive a quote from Rogers Group for some estimates for the project. The total estimate was for \$48,087.00. Prices are dropping and this price may drop. After more discussion Councilmember Wright made a motion to contract with Rogers Group for paving from Perry Drive, Roberts Road up to Housing Projects and Rosemont Lane at a maximum price of \$48,087.00 and was seconded by councilmember Sampson. Motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Agenda

Pinnacle Point

Mr. Harold Balcom was yielded the floor on this subject. He quoted that the council had given them 90 days to start moving forward on this situation. They have had the Engineering data for some time on this as well as everyone knows. But they have not had an opportunity to sit down with them and obtain some other evidence that they needed to get their hand on. They finally got most of the data they needed about 4 weeks ago. Charles and he met with them a week ago from Monday. At that time he put down a number on the table for them that was supported by their Engineering figures. He told them this was pretty much a contractual dispute and it is a question of engineering numbers. They felt fairly confident in what those numbers actually tell them is the real dollar figure that is owed back to the City. They are asking for some time to look over all the documents presented to them. Mayor Mason has said to add this matter to the July 14, 2009 agenda and the Council will discuss and possibly take action on filing a lawsuit against the Prestige Land Company.

Lively vs. Roane Medical Center

Harold Balcom was yielded the floor again at this time. Mr. Balcom gave a brief description of the case and has told the Council that they have tail coverage on this case but their deductible is \$50,000. Harold has asked that this matter to be brought up again at a later date for the Council to vote to pay the \$50,000 deductible. The trial date is in September and they have a court ordered mediation date set for the middle of July. At that time Harold has to have authority to have that money available if the case is not settled by then and he hopes to have that done before the mediation date in July. Mayor Mason has requested that this matter be placed on the Special Called Meeting Agenda for June 23, 2009.

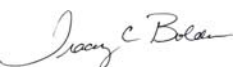
Report from Lonnie Wright on re-establishing Industrial Board

Councilmember has found the Bylaws for the Harriman Industrial Development Commission. It was created by an Ordinance back in 1964. The City will need to go back and make sure the Ordinance has never been repealed. If the Ordinance has never been repealed then the Council will be able to go ahead with appointing new members. Councilmember Wright would like to research this further and try to get on the Agenda for one of the Special called meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned



Chris Mason
Mayor



Tracey Bolden

City Clerk