

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
DECEMBER 8, 2009**

The Harriman City Council met in regular session December 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Municipal Complex. The Honorable Chris Mason, Mayor was present and presiding. Mayor called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer by Councilmember Wright. Roll call of Council was as follows:

PRESENT: Buddy Holley
Ken Mynatt
J D Sampson
Chase Tedder
ABSENT: Kenyon Mee
Lonnie Wright

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the minutes from December 1, 2009. Councilmember Tedder made the motion and Councilmember Holley seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to pay the bills. Councilmember Sampson made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

DELEGATIONS

Mayor Mason asked the public if anyone would like to approach Council.

Randy Ellis wanted to let everyone know that the Roane County community advisory group will have their first public meeting December 14th at 6pm. The location will be at Roane State Community College student lounge.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Holley if he had any old business. Councilmember Holley stated that he did not at this time.

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Sampson if he had any old business. Councilmember Sampson wanted to remind everyone about the law changing meeting on Friday December 11th at 8am at Roane State Community College O'Brian building room 101.

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Tedder if he had any old business. Councilmember Tedder stated that he did not at this time.

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Mynatt if he had any old business. Councilmember Mynatt stated that he did not at this time.

Mayor Mason asked Bob Tidwell if he had any old business. He stated that he gave everyone a copy of the S&ME report that was given to us. He stated that the State came by and met with him and he told them that they would try to take action on the environmental issue at Pinnacle Point by mid January 2010. The state said that would be alright for us to take that time because it has been going on for about six months or more. Bob stated that he thought we could do the clean up ourselves but we need an engineering firm involved because of the mitigation. We had employed S&ME during the development of Pinnacle Point for the environmental issues that is why they have submitted this report. They have also included the cost of the analysis per year. Bob stated that the cost is significant and he didn't know if the council wanted to hire them again or look at other companies. After much discussion the council decided to discuss this further in their next workshop.

Reading of Resolution R1209-02

A resolution of the council of the City of Harriman, Tennessee authorizing the Harriman Housing Authority to prepare a redevelopment and urban renewal plan to be known as the Harriman City Center and Urban Renewal Plan and to conduct a public hearing relative to such proposed plans

Mayor Mason read the resolution aloud for everyone. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve Resolution R1209-02. Councilmember Sampson made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. After brief discussion the motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

AGENDA

Open bids for health, dental and life insurance and appoint a committee to review the bids and interview employee benefits brokerage firms

Mayor Mason stated that there were some interested parties at this meeting and the plan is to open these publicly then turn them over to a committee to review and interview the brokerage firms. Mayor Mason opened all of the bid packets. Albertson Agency submitted a bid for the Health, Dental and Life Insurance. Strategic Benefits Specialists submitted a bid for the Health, Dental and Life Insurance. Griffin Insurance Agency submitted a bid for the Health, Dental and Life Insurance. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to appoint Councilmember Buddy Holley and Councilmember Lonnie Wright to this committee. Councilmember Tedder made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. The motion passed with a unanimous "Aye".

Reading of Resolution# R1209-01 a resolution giving HUB permission to apply for an EECBG grant

Mayor Mason read resolution R1209-01 aloud for everyone. Mayor Mason opened the floor for discussion. Councilmember Holley stated that we had already submitted the paperwork for this same grant. He stated that it would only be the City receiving the money or HUB. After much discussion they decided to call and confirm that both the City and HUB could apply for this same grant.

Mayor Mason wanted to thank Buffy Mee and Beth Crass for all of their hard work on the Christmas Parade. It was a great success and he had several people say it was the best one yet. Also, Bill Landry and Councilmember Mynatt were the emcees and they did an excellent job. The Home Tour is this Saturday from 12-6 and Sunday from 1-6. Tickets can be purchased at the library.

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



Christopher B. Mason/Mayor

Angela Skidmore/City Clerk