

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – July 9, 2007 – 7:00 pm.

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Aldermen – Kenny Hoffman, John Dennis, Dorothy Lanpher and Larry Roberts, City Clerk/Economic Development Director – Cindy Bowman, Superintendent of Utilities – Dennie Carothers, City Attorney Jim McConnell and Police Chief John Quinley

Guests: Paula Gough - MoDOT, John Hoffman – Shafer Kline & Warren, Staci McLelland and Debbie Griswold.

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the minutes from the June 11, 2007 regular meeting and the June 18, 2007 special meeting. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the agenda. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Hoffman moved to pay all bills. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

City Clerk Bowman gave the following treasurer's report:

Balance Brought Forward: \$865,977.58

Deposits: \$83,013.25

Checks: \$88,574.30

Ending Balance: \$860,416.53

Alderman Dennis moved to accept the treasurer's report. Alderman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

During public comment, Debbie Griswold expressed concern about the condition of the lake and memorials at the shelterhouse for the July 4 events. Debbie also stated that several individuals were interested in helping with improvements to the north side of the lake. Debbie also said that the Helping Hand Group was willing to do some improvements around the memorials. Alderman Roberts moved to approve the purchase of gravel and bricks for the memorials. The motion died for lack of a second. Debbie was instructed to work with the Parks Committee to make plans for the wanted improvements.

Paula Gough, MoDOT District Engineer, was present to discuss with the Board the progress of the sidewalk project and the Highway 36 expansion. Paula assured the Board that once easements and utility letter were received, the project would move on through the approval process. Ms. Gough stated that the bids for the Monroe City to Shelbina portion of the 36 project would be let in August with the Macon to Shelbina portion to be let in October.

John Hoffman, Shafer, Kline & Warren, reviewed the map of proposed additional camera work for the sewers on the north side of town. The cost of the proposed work would be \$19,100.00, the same per foot rate as was charged last year. Alderman Dennis moved to proceed with the camera work. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

John then reviewed the bids for the Hwy 36 utility relocations and recommended that the bid from M & M Utilities in the amount of \$217,757.50. Alderman Roberts moved accept the bid as recommended pending MoDOT approval. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Only one bid for the valve replacement at the lagoon was received from Willis Brothers in the amount of \$2,650.00. Alderman Hoffman moved to accept the bid from Willis Brothers. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The City Superintendent report was reviewed next. Alderman Hoffman moved to fix the ditches and culverts around Galamba and to gravel the edges of the streets. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts moved to advertise to employ a full-time utility employee with salary to be set dependent upon qualifications. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried. It was decided to hold a special meeting to set the wage once a candidate was selected.

Alderman Hoffman moved to accept the City Superintendent report. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Police Chief Quinley's report was then reviewed. Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the Police Chief report. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

City Clerk Bowman stated that Tracy Little had successfully completed the 90 day probationary period. Alderman Roberts moved to increase Tracy's wages by \$1.00 per hour. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Alderman Dennis abstained due to nepotism. Motion carried.

The zoning change request by IMB Outfitters was then discussed. Alderman Roberts moved to hold a public hearing to obtain comments on the proposed project. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried. A date of July 23, 2007 at 7:00 pm was set for the hearing.

The request by Sheriff Parshall for funding to pay for the operation of the MULES System was reviewed. It was decided to invite Sheriff Parshall to the August meeting to discuss this issue.

Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the City applying for a grant with Wal-Mart for the Sesquicentennial. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Hoffman moved to accept the City Clerk / Economic Development report. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts moved to seek bids for repairs to the toilet facility at the lake. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried. Bids will include the installation of two steel locking doors and are due July 23, 2007.

Mayor Watson reminded everyone that the first meeting of the Shelby County Economic Development Board would held July 11 at the Civic Club here in Clarence.

Alderman Hoffman moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman
City Clerk

Approved 8/13/07