

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – January 14, 2008 – 6:30 pm.

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Aldermen – Kenny Hoffman, Dorothy Lanpher and Larry Roberts, City Clerk Cindy Bowman, City Superintendent Dennie Carothers, City Attorney Jim McConnell, Emergency Management Director Nelda Stine, Fire Chief Bill Hall and Police Chief John Quinley

Absent: Alderman John Dennis

Guests: Staci McLelland, John Hoffman – Shafer, Kline and Warren, Ken Everling, Jeff Chinn, Donald Lathrom, Marion Bryant and Bea Bryant

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2007 regular meeting. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

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

Alderman Hoffman moved to pay the bills with the exception of items 21 and 22, MECO Engineering. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was given as follows:

Balance Brought Forward:	\$693,119.09
Deposits:	\$129,904.15
Checks:	\$138,990.51
Ending Balance:	\$684,032.73

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

During public comment, Donald Lathrom stated that he would like to hold the Farmer's Market again this year, starting May 3rd and continuing on the first Saturday of the month throughout the summer. Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the Farmer's Market. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Jeff Chinn requested clarification regarding the dangerous dog ordinance that the City has in place. City Attorney McConnell explained the ordinance and its origins to Mr. Chinn.

Ken Everling, Consolidated Insurance Agency, was present to explain the City's property and liability coverages. During the discussion, questions arose concerning the necessity of special event insurance. Mr. Everling suggested that sponsors of events on City property should have the coverage and provide proof that the City is listed as an additional insured on the policy.

John Hoffman, Shafer, Kline and Warren, presented the final pay request for M & M Construction for the sewer relocation project in the amount of \$22,777.75. The mandrel test

has been completed. Alderman Hoffman expressed concerns regarding the sight restoration. Alderman Roberts moved to approve the request. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The Superintendent's report was reviewed next. Discussion was held regarding youngsters getting out on the ice at the lake and sledding down the dam. Alderwoman Lanpher moved to put up three "KEEP OFF THE ICE" signs at the lake. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

After much discussion, Alderman Hoffman moved to have Superintendent Carothers install handicapped parking signs on posts bolted to the sidewalk at the four spaces at the intersection of Center & Chestnut Streets. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

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

Police Chief Quinley presented his report for the previous month and an annual report. Chief Quinley stated that he would be beginning sick leave on January 30th. Alderman Hoffman moved to advertise for a temporary officer to fill in for Chief Quinley for four weeks. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved to accept the Police Chief report. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

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

Emergency Management Director Nelda Stine's report was reviewed next. Director Stine stated that Shelby County would be sponsoring classes for the NIMS certifications. Alderwoman Lanpher moved to approve Director Stine's attendance at the annual SEMA Conference in March. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Hoffman moved to accept the Emergency Management Director report. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Bill Hall's report was next reviewed. Alderman Roberts moved to accept the Fire Chief report. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Mayor Watson stated that it was time to appoint a representative from Clarence to the Extension Council Board and that he was willing to serve for another year. Alderman Hoffman moved to re-appoint Mayor Watson to the Extension Council Board. Alderwoman

Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Marion and Bea Bryant had arrived at the meeting after Public Comment. Mayor Watson allowed the Bryants to address the Board at this time concerning gravel that had been pushed up next to the ditch on their property and has since fallen over into the ditch. Superintendent Carothers stated that the gravel had come from the property across the street from the Bryants and not from the street. The Board instructed Superintendent Carothers to handle the situation.

Alderman Hoffman moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman
City Clerk

Approved 2/11/08