

**Regular Board Meeting Minutes – February 11, 2008 – 6:30 pm.**

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Aldermen – Kenny Hoffman, John Dennis, 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 Officer Brittany Hollon

Guests: Staci McLelland, Jason Schempp – Air-Evac, Donnie Sanford, Becky Bertrand, Joan Luck, Charlie Kane and Angie Kane

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

Alderman Roberts moved to approve the minutes from the January 14, 2008 regular meeting. Alderwoman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

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

Alderman Hoffman moved to pay the bills with the exception of items 45 and 46, MECO Engineering. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was given as follows:

Balance Brought Forward:	\$684,032.73
Deposits:	\$158,447.29
Checks:	\$117,174.29
Ending Balance:	\$725,305.73

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

Jason Schempp, Air-Evac representative, answered questions from the Board concerning the necessity for the presence of the fire department at the helicopter pad during landings. Mr. Schempp stated that it was not a requirement for the fire department to be present.

Lyn Heying, MECO Engineering, had telephoned earlier to say that he was unable to attend due to the weather. The Board reviewed the change order for the sidewalk project. Alderman Roberts moved to postpone the approval of the change order until a special meeting could be held with Mr. Heying and the contractor for the project. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried. City Clerk Bowman is to set up the meeting with Mr. Heying.

Alderman Hoffman stated that he had spoken with Bross Construction concerning the possibility of the use of part of the property at the Clarence Lake during the construction of the Highway 36 expansion. There will be a proposal for consideration at the March meeting.

Discussion was held regarding requesting bids for gravel, gas and diesel, mowing of nuisance properties, mowing of the City Cemetery and mechanical labor. It was decided to not bid out the gas and diesel and mechanical labor. Alderman Roberts moved to advertise

for bids for gravel, mowing of the City Cemetery and the mowing of nuisance properties with the bids to be opened at 3:00 pm March 10<sup>th</sup>. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Joan Luck and Becky Bertrand were present to discuss a proposal to begin a bicycle safety program. Bill Hall stated that MoDOT has a program for bike safety. Alderman Roberts moved to have Officer Hollon proceed with establishing the program. The motion died for a lack of a second. It was decided that Officer Hollon would contact the MoDOT representative and report back to the board at the next meeting.

Alderman Roberts stated that Charles Foreman had requested a culvert be put in on West Avenue and for gravel be put on West Avenue and the west end of Apple Street. When questions were raised about what type of entrance would be at Hwy 36 and West Avenue, the item was postponed until the March meeting.

The Superintendent's report was reviewed next. Discussion was held regarding the number of streets signs being vandalized and barricades being stolen. Alderman Hoffman moved to post a reward of \$100 for information leading to the arrest and conviction for the theft and vandalizing of City property. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts moved to allow Superintendent Carothers to seek applications for summer help at \$8.00 per hour. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

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

The Police report was reviewed next. There was discussion concerning the fact that Chief Quinley had been riding with the temporary officers even though he has not received a medical release. It was decided that Chief Quinley should not return to work until the requested four weeks of medical leave was completed.

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

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

Emergency Management Director Nelda Stine's report was reviewed next. Alderman Hoffman moved to accept the Emergency Management Director report. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Bill Hall's report was next reviewed. The necessity of the presence of the firemen at the helicopter pad was again discussed. City Attorney McConnell stated that the Fire Department does supply vital assistance at helicopter landings. Alderman Roberts

expressed concern about the manner in which firemen drive to attend the landings. Chief Hall stated that he would stress safe driving habits on the call outs and that he would reprimand when he knew individuals were not driving safely. It was decided that the fire department would continue assisting with helicopter landings. Alderwoman Lanpher moved to accept the Fire Chief report. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderwoman Lanpher inquired as to whether peddler licenses were required in the City. It was explained that no business licenses were required in the City.

Mayor Watson stated that Shawn Dandoy had announced that he would be relocating and it will be necessary to find a replacement for the Shelby County Economic Development Board by the March meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman  
City Clerk

*Approved 3/10/08*