

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 6, 2010

The Harriman City Council met in regular session April 6, 2010 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
Lonnie Wright

ABSENT: Kenyon Mee

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the minutes from March 9, 2010. Councilmember Wright made the motion and Councilmember Holley seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the Special Call minutes from March 23, 2010. Councilmember Holley made the motion and Councilmember Wright seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to pay the salaries. Councilmember Tedder 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.

Maria Nelson, building inspector, reported that she had emailed the Council regarding 802 Virginia St. She took the disposition in front of the Board of Adjustment and Appeals and they did not repeal the order for demolition of the property after giving the property owner due process. Ms. Nelson asked council for a motion to request the City Attorney to get a court order to tear down 802 Virginia St. and place a lien on the property taxes for the cost of demolition. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to the effect that Ms. Nelson is requesting. Councilmember Tedder made the motion and this was seconded by Councilmember Holley. After brief discussion the motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Jess Rittenhouse, Chairman of the Economic Development Board, reported they had a work session on the previous ordinances and bylaws. In going through these the board had found conflicts. They are working close with KCDC on an updated ordinance to correct and streamline the information needed in the ordinance. They will be getting this together and presenting it to the council next month. Mr. Rittenhouse reported that Alvin Nance will be sending paperwork and timelines for the council to review. The work that the Economic Development Board is doing in preparation for beginning of the redevelopment plan and the timeline for this project will work out very closely. Jess

reported Alvin is getting together an instructional seminar for the board and council, but this will cost \$500. After much discussion Mayor Mason asked the City Clerk to put this on next week's agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

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

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Sampson if he had any old business. Councilmember Sampson inquired about the sewer line placement in Midtown. He stated the businesses are now being charged for sewer and they aren't even hooked to it. The sewer line runs on the opposite side of the highway and it would cost approximately \$15,000 to bore under the highway to hook up one business. Councilmember Sampson expressed his concern and asked if something could be done to speed the process along. Mayor Mason assured Councilmember Sampson that he would get with Mike Farmer, the Roane County Executive tomorrow.

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

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Mynatt if he had any old business. Councilmember Mynatt gave a report from the Chairman of the Golf Course. They have managed to repair a zero turn mower that should last this summer. This way they should not have to purchase a tractor as they previously thought. They might need to purchase another zero turn mower and it should cost about half of what the council approved to spend for the project.

Councilmember Mynatt gave a hand out sheet from HUB with cost estimates for utility pipe repairs and replacements on the streets that council has approved to pave. The City has some options which are to delay the street paving approximately a year or shift the streets around and pave different ones. After much discussion Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Wright to bring a new list of streets to the council.

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Wright if he had any old business. Councilmember Wright would like to consider, if it isn't official, that the Temperance Building be the center part of the City's logo and make this official. Mayor Mason stated he wasn't sure if the city even had an official logo. Councilmember Wright asked the City Clerk to research this.

Councilmember Wright inquired about trying to increase the litter fine for the city. Councilmember Mynatt wasn't sure if we can do this. He believes the maximum fine is \$50. Councilmember Wright stated he will talk to the City Attorney. Mayor Mason stated he thinks we can add more when this goes to court. Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Wright to bring recommended dates for the spring clean up.

Mayor Mason reported there has been a recommendation from the Fire Board to approve the purchase of 2 pair of uniform pants for each Fire Department employee. The cost will be no more than \$1,300. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the purchase of the pants that will not exceed \$1,300. Councilmember Mynatt made the motion and this was seconded by Councilmember Tedder. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Mayor Mason asked Bob Tidwell if he had any old business. Bob stated the council needed to address the contract on the Pinnacle Point environmental issue. Bob stated there was a deadline that had to be met or we would be fined by the state. Bob has all of the paperwork to back up that the City of Harriman is the permit holder. Bob reported the council has seen the contract submitted by S&ME and the council needs to move forward ASAP. After much discussion Mayor Mason asked for a motion to move forward with the contract with S&ME. Councilmember Sampson made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Holley. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Bob reported the council needed to address the contract for the Design, Construction Engineering and over-sight of the Walden/Morgan Street enhancement grant. The council had previously made the motion to move forward with a contract with Barge, Wagner, Sumner and Cannon but the contracts that were submitted didn't have all the elements needed. Bob has another contract proposal presented by Cannon & Cannon and needed council approval to move forward with this contract. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to repeal the first motion of moving forward with Barge, Wagner, Sumner & Cannon and move forward with the contract presented by Cannon & Cannon. Councilmember Mynatt made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Holley. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Bob gave the council a spread sheet of all the grants that have been approved, that are pending or being prepared. Mayor Mason reported on the street light grant. This money has been at Nashville and accumulating for about five years. Now we should be able to move forward with this project.

Bob gave an update on the Channel 15 building. They are coming along very well and wanted to thank the Roane County Sheriff's department for their cooperation and help. Mayor Mason stated he has received the drawings from Roane State Art Department of what they would like to have put on the windows.

Bob stated the City Attorney had asked him what he had done about the situation with Webb's Salvage next door. Mayor Mason reported he spoke with the City Attorney and he recommends getting a court order to remove the tenant. Mayor Mason asked the City Clerk to put this item on next weeks agenda.

Mayor Mason reminded everyone to please shop their local businesses.

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



Christopher B. Mason/Mayor



Angela Skidmore/City Clerk

