

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**APRIL 13, 2010**

The Harriman City Council met in regular session April 13, 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  
Kenyon Mee  
Ken Mynatt  
J.D. Sampson  
Chase Tedder  
Lonnie Wright

ABSENT:

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the minutes from April 6, 2010. Councilmember Mynatt 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 Holley. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

**DELEGATIONS**

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

Police Chief Randy Heidle he wanted to give a public thank you to the Fire Department, Reserves and Explorers for all their help with the first Crusin'. Chief Heidle also wanted to ask for permission to purchase four more TAZRS for the police department out of the Drug Fund. Mayor Mason reported that this was a recommendation from the police board to purchase the TAZRS, cartridges and batteries out of the Drug Fund and this should not exceed \$3407. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve this recommendation by the police board. Councilmember Tedder made the motion and this was seconded by Councilmember Holley. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

**OLD BUSINESS**

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

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Mynatt if he had any old business. Councilmember Mynatt stated he did not have any at this time but he yielded the floor to Frankie Davis and Bill Young with HUB.

Frankie Davis gave out a spread sheet with the HUB line replacement and City of Harriman's paving project. The handout lists the streets that were previously approved by the council for the paving project. The Utility Board has listed those streets by priority that needs utility lines replaced. The reason for this handout is to make the council aware of what it will cost to replace the utility lines for the streets the council wants to pave.

The utility board wants to make these replacements before the paving starts due to the fact they do not want to cut up newly paved roads. Councilmember Wright asked if they could pick out some of the streets that didn't cost as much money for the utility line replacements. Mr. Davis stated yes that would be possible but he had talked with the paving company and they stated they do not want to come in and just pave a couple of streets at a time, they want to be able to come and pave all of the streets in one visit. Councilmember Wright asked if he gave Mr. Davis a list of the streets in Harriman could he tell the council which ones HUB would be working on. Mr. Davis stated they would not be working on these streets, but since the council wants to pave these streets HUB wants to go in and replace these utility lines that have been a problem in the past. After much discussion Mayor Mason made a recommendation for the Street Department Committee and HUB representatives get together and bring something back to the council in May.

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

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

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

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

Mayor Mason reported he has a meeting set up next week with County Executive Mike Farmer on the sewer line issue in Midtown. He also has a meeting on April 28, 2010 with Covenant Health and he will give an update next council meeting.

### **AGENDA**

#### **Discuss and possibly approve payment for an instructional seminar for the Harriman Economic Development Board**

Mayor Mason stated Jesse Rittenhouse addressed council last week about spending \$500 for an instructional seminar. Mayor Mason reported that he requested this be put on the agenda for action by the council. He also reported that technically this didn't have to be brought before council but ethically he thought it would be better. Councilmember Wright asked where the funds were coming from. Mayor Mason stated they would find out. Councilmember Wright stated he believed that they could all benefit from this seminar. Councilmember Sampson made a motion to approve the \$500 for this instructional seminar. This was seconded by Councilmember Tedder. Mayor Mason stated the funds could come out of the sundry line item and after brief discussion the motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

#### **Discuss and possibly take action on the City of Harriman's tenant located at 613 N Roane St**

Mayor Mason reported several of them walked through the upstairs prior to the council meeting. He stated the upstairs was empty except for what was still on the

sidewalk. The downstairs was still full of what looked like old school desk's. Mayor Mason stated he wasn't sure how long it might take Mr. Webb to vacate the premises. Mayor Mason asked for the will of the council. Councilmember Mee asked if someone was interested in the building. Mayor Mason stated he would like to clean it up and show it and see if someone would either be interested in leasing or purchasing the property. Councilmember Mynatt suggested that City Attorney Harold Balcom contact the tenant and ask him if he can have the premises vacated no later than two weeks. If he cannot vacate in two weeks then we move forward with some type of action from there. Mayor Mason asked if the council was in agreement and everyone gave a nod in agreement.

Discuss and possibly approve the transfer of sick time for a City Employee

Mayor Mason stated this was the same employee they had approved sick time a couple of weeks ago. The amount of hours is 40 and an employee has already agreed to donate those hours to him. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the transfer of 40 hours of sick time from Brad Goss to Eddie Teague. Councilmember Mynatt made the motion and it was seconded by Councilmember Tedder. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Discuss and possibly approve the spring clean up date

Mayor Mason stated he would yield the floor to either Councilmember Mee or Councilmember Wright. Councilmember Wright reported he did not have time to discuss any dates with Councilmember Mee, but he had met with Drack Langely. They discussed how much this usually costs the City to sponsor. It usually cost around \$8,000-\$10,000. Councilmember Tedder had suggested that since things are tight in the budget that the City just set aside a date and encourage everyone to get out and clean up their property. Mayor Mason asked for Councilmember Wright and Councilmember Mee bring a date back in May to set aside a Harriman Pride Day.

Dr. Kerley would like to encourage to limit all discretionary spending. Meaning that they hold off all unnecessary spending for the remainder of the fiscal year. Mayor Mason stated the City has come to far on clean up he would like to make sure to find some way of continuing the City sponsored clean up day.

Councilmember Wright stated the Council had a workshop on April 20, 2010 and asked Mayor Mason if they were ready to start working on the budget. Mayor Mason replied that yes they were ready to start discussing the new budget. He also added the Police Board has asked the Police Chief to put a hold on all hiring of personel and he stated the Fire Board will do the same for the Fire Department.

Mayor Mason reminded everyone to please shop your local businesses.

Councilmember Tedder reminded everyone of the open house for the Mountain to Lakes Realty on April 22, 2010 from 2-6p.m. at 426 N Roane Street.

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".



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Christopher B. Mason/Mayor



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Angela Skidmore/City Clerk