

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 14, 2010**

The Harriman City Council met in regular session September 14, 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 September 7, 2010. Councilmember Tedder 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 Mee. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

DELEGATIONS

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

Bob Bowen the owner of property bordering the Pinnacle Point shopping center is requesting the council to open Pinnacle Drive to his property so he can sell it to a third potential buyer. Mr. Bowen presented the council with copies of the survey maps and two previous contracts that fell through due to the issue of the road not being opened as originally planned. After much discussion Mayor Mason asked for a motion to move forward with extending a paved city street to the edge of Mr. Bowen's property line with Drack Langley and City Attorney Harold Balcom overseeing the project. Councilmember Sampson made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Tedder. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Police Chief Randy Heidle requested permission to withdraw \$5,617 from the Drug Fund to fund their annual K-9 school. All the proceeds will go back into the drug fund when the school is over. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the \$5,619 to fund the K-9 school. Councilmember Tedder made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Holley. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Fire Chief Brad Goss wanted to make a recommendation to take the low bid by Robotronics of \$3,912.72 for the "Sparkey" suit. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to take the recommendation of Chief Goss to purchase the suit from Robotronics for \$3,912.72. This will be paid for by the FEMA grant the fire department was awarded. Councilmember Mynatt made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Tedder. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes"

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Holley if he had any old business. Councilmember Holley wanted an update on the delinquent property taxes. Dr. Kerley reported he would be turning all delinquent taxes over to the tax attorney next month.

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Mee if he had any old business. Councilmember Mee asked Mayor Mason for a progress report on the Hospital. Mayor Mason reported the last meeting he attended with Covenant Health was about a month ago. At that time they were in the process of negotiating on a piece of property adjacent to the property where the Hospital will be built. They want to acquire this property so they will not have to move any dirt off site. At that time Covenant Health was about 16 or 17 months away from building and moving in.

Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Sampson if he had any old business. Councilmember Sampson stated he would like for the city to ask for TVA's help on the Riverfront Property the city owns. He would like to have the river dredged out and rip rap on the banks similar to how the City Kingston's river banks look. Councilmember Sampson made a motion to have Mayor Mason approach TVA and see how they might help clean up the Riverfront Property from bridge to bridge and was seconded by Councilmember Mee. Councilmember Holley would like to have a plan in place for Mayor Mason to present TVA. After much discussion the motion passed with a four "Yes" vote, one "Pass" vote by Councilmember Holley and one "No" vote by Councilmember Mynatt.

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Mayor Mason asked Councilmember Wright if he had any old business. Councilmember Wright asked if they were still working on the garbage collection issues. Councilmember Mee stated Councilmember Holley has sent everyone a draft resolution to look over and it will be discussed at the next council workshop.

Mayor Mason reported he received a letter from a developer whom is interested in purchasing the Miller and Brewer Block of buildings in the downtown area. Alvin Nance, with KCDC, is trying to contact the current owner of these buildings.

AGENDA

Committee Reports

There were none at this time.

Mayor Mason asked if anyone opposed item number 9 be moved in front of item number 7. No one opposed the change to the agenda.

Reading of Resolution R0910-02 HUB Bond Resolution

Mayor Mason yielded the floor to Scott with Morgan Keegan. He reported the council voted on a resolution a couple of weeks ago and this is the second part of the process. He gave a brief discription about the resolution. He advised he gave the council a revised resolution that is slightly different from what the council received in their packets. The reason for the slight change is due to another institution wanting to submit a proposal. He reported the council has two copies of this change, one is highlighted with the changes the other is a clean copy without any highlights. Scott recommends the council adopt the ammended resolution because they will be able to move forward quicker which ever financial institution comes in with the best proposal. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the ammended version. Councilmember Mynatt made a motion to approve the ammended resolution pending Dr. Kerley's final approval and was seconded by Councilmember Mee. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Discuss and possibly approve James and Vivian Godsey's request to operate a Taxicab within the City of Harriman

Mayor Mason reported they put this item on hold until the investigation was complete. Chief Heidle checked out the vehicle and everything was in order with the insurance. The background check showed misdemeanor for each person but no felonies. So they are in compliance with the charter. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve Mr. and Mrs. Godsey's request to operate a Taxicab within the City of Harriman. Councilmember Tedder made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. Councilmember Mynatt wanted to make sure the owners were aware two other taxicab's are operating currently. After much discussion the motion passed with a five "Yes" vote and one "No" vote by Councilmember Sampson.

Second reading of Ordinance 0910-01: An ordinance amending ordinance 07-09-02 being an ordinance to establish a budget for the City of Harriman, Tennessee, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010.

Mayor Mason yielded the floor to Dr. Kerley. Dr. Kerley read the ordinance aloud to everyone. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 0910-01. Councilmember Mynatt made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Wright. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call "Yes".

Discuss and possibly approve the purchase of a mower for Emory Golf Course

Mayor Mason aksed if we had a report on this. Councilmember Mee reported last week the council had asked to see about financing options. The golf board did the research and the quotes are in order of recommendation from the board. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve the recommendation to purchase the mower from SL Bowman for \$7,199. Councilmember Holley made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Mee. After much discussion Councilmember Mynatt made a motion to call the question and was seconded by Councilmember Tedder and passed with a unanimous "Aye". The motion to purchase the mower from SL Bowman for \$7,199 passed with a five "Yes" vote with a disclaimer that Councilmember Tedder has a conflict due to his relation to the owner of SL Bowman but voted with his conscience and one "No" vote by Councilmember Sampson.

Committee and Board Appointment

BZA

Mayor Mason reported Mike Borman has stepped down due to him not living within the city limits of Harriman. Mayor Mason asked for a motion to approve Daryl Cook. Dr. Kerley stated Mr. Cook owed the city money for not closing out his businesses license. Mayor Mason reported he will get that straightened out and bring it back up at a later date.

Planning Commission

Mayor Mason asked for a motion to reappoint Allen Williams and Mark Cummings. Councilmember Tedder made the motion and was seconded by Councilmember Mynatt. The motion passed with a unanimuos roll call “Yes”.

Mayor Mason reminded everyone to please shop their local businesses.

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

Christopher B. Mason/Mayor

Angela Skidmore/City Clerk