

MINUTES
OF THE
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

April 13, 2023

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Henderson, Tennessee met in regular session on Thursday, April 13, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber of the City of Henderson City Hall. Present and presiding was Mayor Robert W. (Bobby) King. City Recorder Jim E. Garland called the roll with the following being present:

Aldermen: Mark A. Barber, Buel Maness, Jason Rhodes, and Keith Smith.

Absent: Donna Butler, and Michael Phelps.

Also present at the meeting were: City Recorder Jim E. Garland, Police Captain Ricky Hardy, Building Official Brent Beshires, Public Works Director Carter Scales, Fire Chief Doug Acred, Utility Director Darryl Green, and Asst CMFO Alicia Holder.

Mayor King called the meeting to order at the appointed time. Alderman Maness gave the invocation and Alderman Barber led the Pledge to the Flag. The following proceedings were entered here-to-wit:

The minutes of the previous regular meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made by Ald. Barber to accept the minutes as presented, duly 2nd by Ald. Rhodes. Motion carried.

The accumulated accounts were presented for informational purposes. Ald. Smith referred to the payment to Mid-South Business Construction (MSB), in the amount of \$201,616.57, line item #65 on page B-2, and asked if this was a progress payment on the City Hall renovations and wanted to know if we were over budget. Recorder Garland stated that we are no more over budget than what they are already aware of with the change orders (windows, some plumbing that was left of original plans, extra office to be carpeted, and some roof patching) that have been approved. There being no further questions on the accounts, the meeting continued.

The first item on the agenda was a call for delegations to address the board. There being no delegations, the meeting continued.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss and consider the quotes received for a Projector and Sound System for the new upstairs classroom. Recorder Garland stated at the last meeting he presented one quote from MCC Jackson in the amount of \$16,348.50, and the board requested that he get more. Dill Audio's proposal is for \$10,982.00, and InternallySound's proposal is in the amount of \$19,235.00. Dill Audio installed a sound system at the school superintendent's office and Williams Auditorium, and are being highly recommended. After further discussion, a motion was made by Ald. Barber to approve the low bid from Dill Audio in the amount of \$10,982.00, duly 2nd by Ald. Smith. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the purchase of a Ford F550 with a flat dump bed on State Contract for the Public Works Department. Recorder Garland stated that last year they had approved an F350 truck with a flat dump bed and the order was placed with Ford. The order

was never accepted by Ford so they cancelled it. Steven Blackstock with Lonnie Cobb Ford had a 2022 Ford F-550 with a diesel motor at another location. They brought it up from Birmingham and PWD Scales, Asst PWD Smith and Red Melton (our mechanic) had been to look it over and agreed that it would work for what they needed. After further discussion, a motion was made by Ald. Smith to approve the purchase in the amount of \$61,535.00 on State Contract, duly 2nd by Ald. Rhodes. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was to consider approving roof repair work needed on the Fire Department. Fire Chief Acred stated that they are having issues with leaks in the conference room area. Matlock Roofing gave an estimate to re-seal the roof and wash/seal the block wall in the amount of \$6,000.00. A motion was made by Ald. Smith to approve the amount of \$6,000.00, payable to Matlock Roofing for repairs to the fire station, duly 2nd by Ald. Maness. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was to hear a report from Utility Director Darryl Green on the Water Main Relocation Project in conjunction with the TDOT Hwy 100 East Bridge Project. UD Green stated that TDOT plans to build another bridge parallel to the existing bridge and once complete, will tear the old bridge down. There is a 10-inch water line in the location of the proposed bridge that will need to be moved and he is working with TDOT and the engineers to get everything finalized and get the project into the general contract for the bridge construction company. The estimated cost to relocate is \$565,803.00 with \$30,000.00 for engineering and includes \$10,000.00 for inspection service. This is approved to be a Chapter 86 project meaning TDOT will pay for it. We may have to pay engineers up front and get reimbursed.

UD Green stated that they have another relocation project on Talley Store Road in the area where Talley Store crosses Jacks Creek which floods during severe weather. The plan is to cut a lot down and fill before a bridge is installed that is higher than the current flood elevations.

Mayor King asked if he would do the inspection and if he will bill them for his time. He will and he stated that there is a line in the amount of \$10,330.00 for the inspection. Ald. Smith asked if the project will need to be booked and depreciated and Recorder Garland stated that it would not since they are replacing like-kind assets.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss the need for a Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project. Mayor King stated that Ald. Butler had brought up in the recent budget meeting, that there was a need to replace 'older' sidewalks in town. Recorder Garland stated that there are two and one-half months remaining in the current budget year and there was no money budgeted specifically for sidewalks. However, the money for street paving and maintenance can be used for sidewalks and the current balance is \$194,000.00. There is street paving planned for streets before June 30. There will be remaining funds in the paving budget that will allow some work to be started on some of the worst sidewalks before June 30. The city will demolish the old sidewalk and pay for the concrete and we will hire out the forming and finishing. He has a lead on three groups that can come. As a call-out, if we tear out entire blocks then we must meet ADA requirements that will drive up the costs so they will plan to do smaller sections. It will be up to the board to earmark money in next year's budget specifically for sidewalk renovation. They will give an updated report at next month's meeting.

Any other Business:

1. Set a date and time for a Budget Meeting. Due to the absence of two alderman, the date could not be finalized. It was narrowed down to April 24th or April 25th at 5:30 pm. Recorder Garland will let all everyone know once confirmed.

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Mayor King stated that he had talked with Tim Beshires regarding the lighting at Gene Record Park and will review the outcome with the board next month.

Building Official Beshires stated they had a couple of projects going on. They will have a site development project review for the hotel at the next Planning Commission meeting. The building at Dixie Youth is still moving forward. They have had two or three proposals for the expansion of manufacturing and commercial industries.

UD Green stated they recently went thru the comprehensive annual gas system inspection with Daniel Allen from the Tennessee Public Utility Commission. The preliminary report has no violations but Mr. Allen was a first-time inspector for us and noted that one sign did not meet the qualifications of the state (but had been there several years) and this has since been corrected.

Fire Chief Acred reminded the board that the CDBG Grant for a new fire pumper is being submitted tomorrow.

Recorder Garland stated that he had two quotes from two companies for blinds for the new finished-out areas and was surprised at the difference in the quotes since they were for the same blinds. The quote from SMB was \$7625.65 and the quote from Blue Goose Blinds & Shutters was \$5287.00. A motion was made by Ald. Barber to purchase the blinds from the low bidder, duly 2nd by Ald. Rhodes. Motion carried.

Recorder Garland stated that some of the board members were due to complete utility training this year. He has sent an email from MTAS to all of them with a listing of webinars that can earn around five credit hours towards this required training.

Ald. Barber stated that he had a business owner contact him about the water run-off from the new hotel. Building Official Beshires stated that this issue would be between the owner and the state as we do not regulate the way water runs. Recorder Garland stated that TDEC has reviewed the plans and site thoroughly. The business owner has been invited to the Planning Commission meeting where the site plan will be discussed his concerns.

Ald. Smith thanked the department heads and employees that went to McNairy County to assist in the cleanup after the tornado.

There being no other business, a motion was made by Ald. Barber to adjourn, duly 2nd by Ald. Smith. Motion carried.

Signed: Robert W. King

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

Signed: Jim E. Garland

ATTEST: _____, CITY RECORDER