

Regular Meeting September 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Livingston City Hall.

Alderman Present: Ronald Dishman
Ken Dodson
David Langford
Bill Linder
David Sadler II
Bill Winningham

Alderman Absent: None

Mayor Curtis Hayes called the meeting to order.

Bill Linder made the motion to accept the minutes as handed out. David Sadler seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Greg McDonald, representing the Downtown Revitalization Committee, presented the following bills in the amount of \$21,212.00:

Display Sales	\$ 2,838.00
Better Lawns	374.00
American Legion (40% Match of Grant)	18,000.00

Larry Gunnels of the American Legion gave an update on the work being done at the American Legion.

Ken Dodson made the motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$21,212.00 being paid out of downtown revitalization funds. Ronald Dishman seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Greg McDonald gave an update on the Central Park Project. The project has to be completed by March 2017.

Fire Chief Rocky Dial recommended that Brandon Bryant be hired to replace David Brown.

David Langford made the motion to hire Brandon Bryant. David Sadler seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

David Sadler made the motion to approve the purchase of a 2014 Ford Explorer from the Missouri Hwy. Patrol in the amount of \$18,250.00. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes informed the Board that the price of salt from Morton Salt is \$85.95 per ton and that the city needs to order 400 tons of salt.

Bill Linder made the motion to approve the purchase of 400 tons of salt from Morton Salt in the amount of \$34,380.00. David Sadler seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes reported that 2 bids had been received on a backhoe for the Gas Department. The bids were:

CMI	\$74,000.00
Maury Co. Equipment	\$49,995.00

Mayor Hayes stated that this was in the budget. They will sell the other backhoe on GOV.DEALS.

David Sadler made the motion to accept the low bid from Maury County Equipment in the amount of \$49,995.00. Ronald Dishman seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Bill Linder made the motion to approve the hiring of William Davis as meter reader to replace Jack Simpson. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

David Langford made the motion to approve the hiring of Cody W. Gilpatrick to replace Troy Daniels. Ronald Dishman seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Fire Chief Rocky Dial informed the Board that TML had a 50/50 Driver Safety Grant that the city could apply for.

David Sadler made the motion to apply for the Safety Grant (Resolution 2016-9-1). Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor Hayes presented the Drought Management Plan that the state was requiring be passed.

Ken Dodson made the motion to adopt the Drought Management Plan. Ronald Dishman seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Alderman Langford stated that a lot of people are talking about the high speed chase. He wanted to know what the procedure is on a high speed chase. He said that it seems like we are having more and more. He is concerned about the public.

Police Chief Etheredge stated that the police don't dictate the chase; it is the suspect's actions that dictate the actions of the police. He stated that the police officers did not hit any vehicles in the pursuit of the suspect.

Alderman Winningham stated that he would like for the city to hire Michael Beasley full time at \$12.00 per hour. He was hired part-time this summer.

It was discussed that \$12.00 is more than a lot of employees are making that had been working for several years. It was stated by some that the starting rate should be increased to \$12.00 per hour.

Mayor Hayes stated that he is for everyone making at least \$12.00 per hour.

The Board will have a work session on this matter on September 19th.

After discussion, Bill Winningham made the motion to hire Michael Beasley full-time at \$10.00 per hour with benefits in the street department. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 5 yes with Bill Linder voting no. (Alderman Linder stated that he had nothing against Mr. Beasley but that the Board had previously voted on a hiring freeze for the city.)

Alderman Dishman stated that it is his understanding that this is not a new position but is replacing an employee in the Street Dept.

Alderman Dishman ask Police Chief Etheredge about why gasoline boat tanks were in the back of city owned vehicles at the Public Safety building. He handed out photos that showed tanks in back of vehicles.

Chief Etheredge stated that he did not know about this but that he would check into the situation.

Ronald Dishman made the motion to adjourn. Bill Linder seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Vice-Mayor