

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**July 16, 2009**

Ken Brison, Mayor
Stuart L. Johnson, Vice-Mayor
Eddie Arney, Commissioner
Allen Bissell, Commissioner
Toney Sutton, Commissioner
Shirley Forehand, City Manager
Larry Cantrell, City Attorney
Kathleen Daugherty, Recorder

Present: Brison, Arney, Bissell, Johnson, Sutton

Absent:

Others Present: Forehand, Cantrell, Lovvorn

- 1. Mayor Brison called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**
 - A. The Prayer and Pledge to the Flag were led by Donn Lovvorn.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda –**
 - A. Sutton made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Johnson seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- 3. Citizen Comments – (Limited to the first five (5) citizens to sign in and a limit of three (3) minutes each) - None**
- 4. Awards and/or Recognitions – None**
- 5. Public Announcements – None**
- 6. Approval of the Minutes –**
 - A. Presented for approval were the minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting held on July 2, 2009. Sutton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Johnson seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- 7. Old Business –**
 - A. Report on Legal Ad Hoc Committee Meeting held at 5:00 p.m. – City Attorney Cantrell reported that the Committee met and reviewed the ordinance and resolution pertaining to reimbursement for elected officials. The recommendation from the Committee is to amend Resolution 08-2001 by eliminating item (a) which is the cost of a cell phone; item (b) which is the cost of an internet connection; item (d) which is the cost of call waiting on home telephones; and amend item (b) to say the cost of pre-approved meetings (by the Board or the City Manager) that are civic government related including mileage and meals. This also includes a telephone to be purchased by the City and issued to each Commissioner and the monthly bill paid by the City. He also suggested

that if anyone submitting a bill for reimbursement is denied payment by the City Manager, they can appeal to the Board of Commissioners. Cantrell also advised that he can have the revised resolution ready the first or second meeting in August. It was decided to have the city attorney prepare the Resolution for the August 20th meeting.

- B. Discuss and/or Approve Procedure for Hiring of New City Manager - Arney advised that he thought they were suppose to send this to a committee. Forehand advised that she felt since the committees are limited to two commissioners that they might want to have a special meeting so that all the Board Members would have an input. Arney advised that a Committee could make a recommendation and bring it back to the Board. Forehand stated they could send it to either the Finance Committee or the Legal Committee. Johnson stated that he felt it would be better to have a Special Meeting so all the Board members would have a say. Cantrell suggested that it might be better to have a workshop meeting. After further discussion, Bissell made a motion to move the Public Safety Ad Hoc Committee Meeting scheduled for August 20th at 6:00 p.m. to September 3rd at 6:00 p.m. and have a Workshop Meeting on August 20th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the qualifications and procedure for the hiring of a new city manager. Sutton seconded the motion. All were in favor.

8. New Business –

- A. Approval of Certificate of Compliance for Fairview Liquors and Fine Wines (Ken Karger and Ann McConnell) – City Mgr. Forehand explained that they had already approved a Certificate of Compliance for Mr. Karger because he is moving the location of his business. Mr. Karger wants to add the name of his partner to the Certificate of Compliance. Johnson made a motion to approve the Certificate of Compliance. Arney seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- B. Adoption of Resolution No. 14-09 Authorizing the City to participate in the TML Safety Grant – Johnson read the caption and made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Sutton seconded the motion. Forehand explained that it is a 50/50 matching grant. The City's portion will be \$1,500 and the money will be used to purchase gear for the Fire Department. All were in favor.

9. City Manager Items for Discussion -

- A. Miscellaneous Updates – Forehand read a memo from Police Chief Terry Harris in regard to the Governor's Hwy. Safety Grant. Sgt. Mark Sutton is in charge of writing grants and takes care of all paper work. The grant currently pays the salary of traffic officer Juan Monarez. Since this grant has been started the statistics show a 33% decrease in road related crashes.
- B. City Attorney Comments – Cantrell thanked the Legal Committee for being aware of the issues and their participation in the Ad Hoc Committee Meeting.

10. Communications from the Mayor and Commissioners –

- A. Arney advised that he appreciated the report on the Public Safety Grant. He feels the Police Department is doing a great job.

- B. Sutton commended Planning Commission Chairman Wayne Hall for the work they are doing. He urged everyone to use the local businesses. He also advised that he is glad the little girl who was struck by lightning at the Boys and Girls Club is okay. He asked everyone to support the Boys and Girls Club which does a lot for the community.
- C. Bissell advised that he watched the last two Board meetings and he is not happy with the way he interacted with the other Board Members. He apologized for being out of character in the way he addressed some of the issues.
- D. Johnson also advised that he is glad the little girl who was struck was lightning is okay. He also announced that Dwight (Bubba) Jones was electrocuted by 14,000 volts today; but he is at Vanderbilt Hospital and they feel that he will recover although he has some severe burns.
- E. Brison advised that he was sorry to hear that Bubba had been electrocuted.

11. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Kathleen Daugherty, CMC
City Recorder