

MINUTES OF THE MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

November 10, 2003 7:00 PM City Hall Chambers

BE IT REMEMBERED the Regular Meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Martin, Tennessee, was held Monday, November 10, 2003, at 7:00 PM in the City Hall Chambers, when the following was held to wit:

MEMBERS PRESENT: HONORABLE RANDY BRUNDIGE, MAYOR
 HONORABLE DANNY NANNEY, WARD I
 HONORABLE STAN JOHNSON, WARD II
 HONORABLE DAVID BELOTE, WARD II
 HONORABLE PHILLIP MERRYMAN, WARD III
 HONORABLE NATALIE D. BOYD, WARD III
MEMBERS ABSENT: HONORABLE BILL HARRISON, WARD I

CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Brundige called the November 10, 2003, meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order. Alderman Belote gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brundige led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: OCTOBER 14, 2003

Alderman Nanney made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2003, meeting as written, seconded by Alderman Johnson.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee: Meet Thursday night, December 20th at 6:30 pm in City Hall Courtroom.

MARTIN BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE: PAINTING OF GAZEBO

Mayor Brundige introduced Mr. Marvin Downing, Chairman of the Martin Beautiful Committee.

Chairman Downing addressed the board, we understand that the city is going to paint the city hall building. With this in mind, the Martin Beautiful Committee respectfully request the inclusion of painting the ceiling and sides of the gazebo in this undertaking. The gazebo is made of treated wood which has aged for approximately three months making it ready for paint. The floors will be sealed as well as the concrete around the gazebo.

The Board instructed Chairman Downing to get estimates and bring to the city before the painting of city hall building is finished.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

INTRODUCTION AND READING OF RESOLUTION R2003-20: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF MARTIN, TENNESSEE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2004

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented Resolution R2003-20: Resolution authorizing Budget Amendments to the City of Martin, Tennessee General Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2004. These amendments are insurance monies paid for storm damages that we need to place in the budget.

Mr. Tidwell read Resolution R2003-20. A copy follows:

RESOLUTION R2003-20

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF MARTIN, TENNESSEE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2004

WHEREAS, the City of Martin was hit by a storm that did damage to several buildings owned by the city; and

WHEREAS, the City of Martin has insurance to cover the damage that was done; and
WHEREAS, monies have been received to cover the cost of repairs to the buildings.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Martin, Tennessee assembled in regular session on the 10th day of November 2003, this resolution is hereby approved.

SECTION 1. The City of Martin General Fund is hereby amended as follows:

<u>Fund</u> <u>Acc-Object</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Approved</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>Amendment</u>	<u>Amended</u> <u>Budget</u>
110-41300-266	Physical Plant Repairs	\$1,500	\$10,700	\$12,200
110-44400-266	Physical Plant Repairs	\$5,500	\$ 1,860	\$ 7,360
110-36350	Insurance Recoveries	-0-	\$12,560	\$10,560

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Martin, which are in conflict with this resolution, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution take effect from and after its passage, THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT.

Motion made by Alderman _____ that the foregoing resolution be approved. Seconded by Alderman _____. Upon being put to a roll call vote the motion passed on the ___ day of _____, 2003.

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:

Richard L. Tidwell, City Recorder

Randy Brundige, Mayor

Alderman Merryman made the motion to approve Resolution R2003-20: Resolution authorizing Budget Amendments to the City of Martin, Tennessee General Fund for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2004, seconded by Alderman Johnson.

VOTE: FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
HONORABLE BELOTE
HONORABLE JOHNSON
HONORABLE BOYD
HONORABLE MERRYMAN
AGAINST: NONE
ABSENT: HONORABLE HARRISON

Mayor Brundige declared Resolution R2003-20 approved.

INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF MARTIN AND MARTIN HOUSING AUTHORITY

Mayor Brundige introduced a request to approve an Interagency Agreement between City of Martin and Martin Housing Authority. The city will purchase the materials and do the work with the Martin Housing Authority paying for the project, estimated cost \$41,000.00. A copy follows:

INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN
MARTIN HOUSING AUTHORITY AND CITY OF MARTIN

This Interagency Agreement is entered into by and between the Martin Housing Authority (hereinafter referred to as MHA) and the City of Martin ((hereinafter referred to as the City).

WHEREAS, the purpose of this agreement is to enable MHA and the City to coordinate services that will benefit residents of public housing; and

WHEREAS, federal and state officials encourage the coordination of services among and between local government entities; and

WHEREAS, MHA us actively involved in strategies to improve services while limiting expenses; and

WHEREAS, the City has the capacity to perform necessary site work that will improve the quality of life for MHA residents in a cost-effective manner; and

WHEREAS, the cost of provision of such services has been estimated to be around \$41,000; and

WHEREAS, Capital Funds are available to pay for the necessary improvements as outlined in a blue print and specifications.

NOW, THEREFORE, let it be resolved that the parties agree to cooperate in the completion of site improvements to MHA as outlined in the cost estimate and work specifications.

Martin Housing Authority

City of Martin

Executive Director

Mayor

Date

Date

Alderman Johnson made the motion to approve an Interagency Agreement between City of Martin and Martin Housing Authority, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL.

CAP CITY'S CONTRIBUTION ON HEALTH INSURANCE, WHERE WE

ARE TODAY. Recommendation from the Finance Committee.

Mayor Brundige presented a request to cap City's contribution on health insurance, where we are today. This is a recommendation from the Finance Committee.

Alderman Merryman made a motion to cap the amount of the city's contribution on health insurance, where we are today, seconded by

Mayor Brundige asked for a second to the motion, there was no second made. Motion dies for lack of a second.

Alderman Johnson made the motion to put off considering this cap until the end of this budget year or December 31, 2004.

Mayor Brundige stated, we can't wait that long.

Mr. Tidwell stated, Mr. Johnson, if you are going to do that, you will need to cap it as June 30, 2004, so we would know exactly what to do in next year's budget. The insurance rates become effective on January 01 of each year so it would have to be capped as of June 30 of each year to allow us to finalize the budget.

Alderman Merryman made the motion to cap the amount of city's contribution on health insurance as of June 30, 2004, seconded by Alderman Boyd.

Alderman Belote asked, "Why is it imperative that we need to cap tonight?"

Mr. Tidwell stated, "Alderman Belote, the insurance, the reason it has to be done tonight is that the employees have got till November 15th to make up their mind where they want to change or do whatever they want to do. After November 15th they don't have another change insurance until October 15th of next year. So, that is the reason it has to be imperative to tonight, so they will know exactly what they have to do or where they are going to be and what they are going to do. So, if they are going to make any changes it can get back into us toward the end of this week so we can get it in by the 15th of November."

Alderman Belote asked, "So, the reason for the cap is for the curtesy of the employees?"

Mr. Tidwell stated, "To let them know exactly what they ... how to make plans and find out exactly what they want to do. We have had meetings, we had meetings, Monday, I am sorry, Friday, with all of the employees, went through the new plan and I told them and how it is and everything else, and I told them then, that the decision would be made tonight, so they could make a decision either Wednesday or Thursday of this week so that we can have time to get it all, if there are any changes to be made, we will have time to key punch it in and to get it in by the 15th. Which, I think the 15th

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is Saturday. We will have to know something so they will know something, is exactly what they want to do and how they want to do it.”

Alderman Johnson stated, “Well, my motion would be to end discussion on, any discussion on the cap until after this budget year, ending June 30, 2004. Phillip motion is to, if it passes tonight is to cap it as of June 30, 2004, without any discussion, just do it.”

Alderman Merryman stated, ”If you don’t do it eventually we are going to have to end having employee insurance. We won’t be able to continue to pay.”

Alderman Johnson stated, “But, we could at least at it in the next budget year.”

Alderman Merryman asked, “For how long?”

Alderman Johnson stated, “We would have time to cap it before another raise.”

Alderman Merryman stated, “The employees would not have the opportunity to make their decision.”

Alderman Belote stated, “I am still having difficulty understanding this.”

Alderman Johnson stated, “I am too.”

Mr. Tidwell stated, “Alright, January 01 of this year we get, we get, a rate increase which I informed the employees last Friday there is a ten percent increase in PPO and a twelve percent increase in POS. That will last for one calender year. Now, wether you cap it as of June 30 or wether you wait until the end point start of the budget, you are still are still going to be capping it at the same figure. Right now you are paying 80% of the employee family plan. Now, as I said, if you cap it now or as of June 30th or after that period of time, you still going to be using the same cap. So, it is really immaterial wether you do what Alderman Merryman said or basically, it is going to be the same figure. Basically, what you are doing right now is you are just saying is you will wait until January 01 when the figures come out with the rate increases....sometimes during that period of the year, and Alderman Merryman’s motion was on June 30th, cap it at the figure the city is going to be as of January 01. It will the same figure all year long, so, you are right, you are right and he is right. But, this way it will be able, instead of setting there in July and August working on the budget, maybe we can get the budget done before June 30th. You will know what figure you are going to be able put in the that budget and work the figures into the budget itself. And you will know what figure that is and you will know what figure that is.”

Alderman Johnson asked, “They will not incur a rate increase until a year from this coming January?”

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Mr. Tidwell answered, "Right now, if it stands as it is right now with no caps everybody including the city will experience a rate increase come January 01. And, the primary reason we are having to do it again, not only for what they area going to know, for us in the payroll department, we have to start deducting in December for January's payment. We deduct one month ahead of what we are doing. Everybody will increase, the city and the employees will experience a rate increase come January 01 based on the figures that have come down from the state."

Alderman Johnson asked, "But our percentage that the city pays will stay the same?"

Mr. Tidwell stated, "It will be eighty percent, yes sir. We are not changing that. We did that in July 1st of this year."

Mayor Brundige asked, "Any other discussion, if not roll call vote?"

Alderwoman Boyd asked, "May I change mine. This is June 30th."

Alderman Merryman spoke, "It does not matter if it is January 1st or June 30th, we could cap it next November 1st and it is still going to be the same price. This way it lets the employees know and it allows the Finance Committee to work on the budget with an exact number in there. So we know a little bit what we are doing, than we have in the past."

Alderman Belote stated, "Another issue is we don't have to cap it at all."

Alderman Merryman stated, "That is correct. We could continue to pay the rate increases and eventually start laying people off."

Alderman Belote stated, "I haven't heard that from the Finance Committee. I haven't heard that recommendation to lay people off, if we were not to do this. I haven't seen that come by yet."

Alderman Merryman asked, "Did you not hear that at the Informal Meeting last Tuesday night?"

Alderman Belote answered, "I heard that, but I haven't seen facts and figures yet that indicate that we are going to lay people off if we cap this thing. I'm not necessarily against the cap if we've gone through this budget and that's the last we have to do or the only thing we can pull out of it to make a budget. But, we haven't done that work yet."

Mayor Brundige asked, "Alderwoman how do you want to vote?"

Alderwoman Boyd asked, "It doesn't matter if we cap or not cap, it is still going to remain the same?"

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Alderman Merryman responded, "No, if we do not cap the city will absorb rate increases from now until such time as we do cap."

Alderman Johnson spoke, "Since Phillip's first motion failed for lack of a second, and then, I am kinda like David, why do we have to cap it tonight? Why can't we say we are going to leave it like it is till June 30th or until sometime during the 04-05 budget process and leave it open for further discussion and then we, if we deem it necessary to cap it, we can do it whenever. Everybody is saying it doesn't matter, anytime during the next calendar year."

Alderman Merryman stated, "With one exception, they will not know what they are going to be paying if we don't do something tonight."

Alderman Johnson spoke, "Aren't they going to know, next year what.."

Mr. Tidwell spoke, ".....Mayor, I have said, you'll are really in the vote session and yo really need to back off and withdraw your motion, withdraw your second and let's start all over discussion, all over, because right now you are in the vote session and you are not suppose be discussing it."

Mayor Brundige asked, "Alderwoman Boyd, how do you vote.?"

Mr. Tidwell said, "Or they can withdraw their motion and second and start all over."

Alderman Merryman spoke, "it is going to come down to the same vote. I am not going to withdraw the motion."

Alderwoman Boyd voted: No.

(Vote on Alderman Merryman's motion)

VOTE:	FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY
		HONORABLE MERRYMAN
	AGAINST:	HONORABLE BELOTE
		HONORABLE JOHNSON
		HONORABLE BOYD
	ABSENT:	HONORABLE HARRISON

Mayor Brundige declared, vote is three/two, motion failed.

Mr. Tidwell asked, "Am I to go ahead and tell the employees, right now we are still at 80/20 with no cap, starting January 01, 2003."

Mayor Brundige answered, yes.

APPROVE BID: INSTALLATION OF AWNINGS AND PAINTING OF THE CITY HALL BUILDING

Mayor Brundige presented bids for the painting of the city hall building and installation of awnings over the doors. Bids follow:

PAINTING

The Color Shop	\$6,500.00
Birmingham Paint Company	\$6,977.50
Mazza's Painting	\$2,300.00

AWNINGS

GSC Signs & Awnings	\$6,030.00
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Mayor Brundige pointed out the low bid on painting is from Mazza's Painting for \$2,300.00 and we had only one bid for awnings and signs from GSC Signs and Awnings for \$6,030.00.

Alderman Nanney made the motion to accept the painting bid from Mazza's Painting with the low bid of \$2,300.00, seconded by Alderwoman Boyd.

VOTE:	FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY
		HONORABLE BELOTE
		HONORABLE JOHNSON
		HONORABLE BOYD
		HONORABLE MERRYMAN
	AGAINST:	NONE
	ABSENT:	HONORABLE HARRISON

Mayor asked for a motion on the awning installation.

Alderman Nanney made the motion to accept the bid for the installation of awnings with signs for the city hall building from GSC Signs and Awnings for \$6,030.00, seconded by Alderman Merryman.

Alderman Nanney asked, how many awnings will be purchased?

Mayor Brundige answered, there will be one on each door with a sign.

VOTE:	FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY
		HONORABLE BELOTE

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	HONORABLE JOHNSON
	HONORABLE BOYD
	HONORABLE MERRYMAN
AGAINST:	NONE
ABSENT:	HONORABLE HARRISON

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

SALARY RANGE OF CITY RECORDER POSITION

Mayor Brundige presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee to set the salary range from \$30,000 to \$40,000 for the position of City Recorder.

Alderman Belote made the motion to set the salary range for the position of City Recorder from \$30,000 to \$40,000, seconded by Alderwoman Boyd.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL.

INTERVIEWS FOR CITY RECORDER POSITION

Mayor Brundige reminded the board that interviews were scheduled for Thursday, November 13th in City Hall Courtroom at 6:30 pm.

RESIGNATION: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY J. D. SANDERS

Director of Public Safety J. D. Sanders read his resignation:

“To: Mayor Randy Brundige and the City Board:

With my eyes toward the future and very mindful of the many wonderful people in Martin, I tender my resignation as Director of Public Safety for the City of Martin. I have agreed to accept the position of Chief of Police for the City of Columbus, Mississippi, effective December 01, 2003.

It has been an honor to serve with the many fine women and men of the Martin Police and Fire Departments. It has also been an honor and pleasure to serve the people of Martin and the dedicated Martin City Boards during my watch. One of the things I am particularly proud of is that I will be leaving both departments in great shape, in spite of severe budget restraints the past few years. The City of Martin should share in the pride of having the highest caliber of professionals to continue providing the kind of public safety services they deserve and have come to expect.

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I will be available for anything Mayor Brundige may need during the transition period and will gladly return to Martin when needed. My last official working day will be November 30, 2003, unless Mayor Brundige decides to alter the time.

Thank you all for making the efforts you do to serve the citizens of Martin. I know firsthand the dedication and determination to do what is right that you all have demonstrated. There is a very bright future for Martin and much of it is because of that dedication coupled with a vision for the years ahead.

I have always subscribed to the Boy Scouts' pledge to always leave a campsite in better shape than they found it. I hope in some small way, I have contributed to the efforts to improve the quality of life for everyone in Martin, Tennessee, my home town.

Sincerely,
J. D. Sanders"

Director Sanders spoke, "...There are some people I would like to thank publicly for their continued support, encouragement and help. There is no way to properly thank the members of the Martin Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association for their efforts and contribution. They continue to amaze me with their dedication and hard work and our officers have greatly benefitted from their continued support. I would like to thank Mayor Larry Taylor, Aldermen Jesse Wade, Rex Pate, the late Ron Nielsen, Mr. Clyde Miles, Joe Woodruff, and Larry Kelly for taking a chance on me in 1995 when they voted to appoint me as Chief of Police for Martin. They all have not only been good advisors but have been good friends over the years. I will never forget the kindness of Patsy Duncan and Dr. Susan Johnson during Christmas season fourteen years ago. I greatly appreciate the working relationship I have enjoyed with every board since 1995. I have been very privileged to serve under two outstanding mayors. Both of who have been very good to me and continue to be. I regret not being able to work with Mayor Brundige longer than one year. I truly believe he has Martin headed in the right direction and with the help of the other six board members some really good things are on the horizon for Martin. I could not have experienced a better relationship than I have had with Randy Brundige. He is a capable leader and he has been a good friend to boot. I appreciate the cooperation that I have had with the other department heads in the city, especially over the last four or five years. I have actually asked them to go ahead and resign tonight too or retire tonight and all just go out together. But, Dennis said Judy would shoot him. It seems kinda fitting that Dick and I are leaving at about the same time. The people of this community will never know and be able fully appreciate what Dick has done for Martin. He had some really big shoes to fill. And I want to thank Dick for his support and friendship. The relationship we have enjoyed with the media in Martin is without a doubt a pattern others should follow. Crystal, with Paul and your staff we have been able to improve our ability to get critical information to the public at "warp speed". A perfect evidence of this is earlier this year when the tornadoes visited this area. And in addition to that, the Weakley County Press has continued to provide space for public education and

other important information. Everytime we have asked, Laura and her staff are just like family. The Dresden Enterprise is another friend to all departments in the county, especially us and I appreciate our working relationship them too. We have also enjoyed a good working relationship with other public safety organizations in this area. Sheriff Mike Wilson and his staff have always provided the support we have needed anytime we've asked. I appreciate Circuit Judge Bill Acree, General Session Judge Tommy Moore, Juvenile Judge James Bradberry and District Attorney Tommy Thomas and their respective staffs. I owe a great deal of thanks to the command staffs at the police and fire departments. All of them have been and are very capable professionals who work daily to continue to improve the delivery services for the citizens of this town. They have provided guidance and direction to me and the department and we have worked as a team and made team decisions. To all the members of Public Safety, you are the greatest. I sincerely mean it when I say, you are the best there is. No one could ever hope to have a better team of dedicated, loyal, hard working professionals as there are right here in Martin. In Public Safety, size really doesn't matter no matter whether you live in New York, Nashville, or Martin everyone deserves to feel safe secure and protected. And, the people in Martin are getting a bargain for the quality of the work force they have here. And thanks to the citizens of Martin for demanding and funding the best department anywhere. There are some really good people here in Martin. I hope those out there that take for granted the many wonderful benefits of living in Martin will look around and see how lucky they are to be here. And finally, to my best friend and wife Becky. Behind every successful person is a supportive spouse. Becky has endured a lot when I have had to be away so many times and when the phone rings at two o'clock in the morning, she wakes up too. Everyone should be so blessed to have that kind of partnership. Becky is one of the main reasons, I have made this difficult decision. Becky and I are excited about beginning our new adventure and we will surely miss the many special people that have been our friends and have made my 23 years in Martin so wonderful. As, I have said before, no matter where we end up, Martin will always be our home town and besides that it is connected too because Highway 45 runs right down our front door. Thanks."

Alderman Nanney made the motion to accept the resignation of Public Safety Director J. D. Sanders, effective November 30, 2003, seconded by Alderwoman Boyd.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL.

RECEPTION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

A reception to show the city's appreciation for Public Safety Director Sanders has been scheduled for November 23rd from 2:00 till 4:00 PM in the courtroom.

RECESSED MEETING:

Mayor Brundige recessed the meeting until November 24, 2003, at 7:00 PM in the City Hall

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Courtroom.

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RECESSED MEETING FROM NOVEMBER 10, 2003

NOVEMBER 24, 2003 7:00 PM CITY HALL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brundige reconvened the November 10th meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the City of Martin on November 24th.

INVOCATION

Mayor Brundige gave the invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF BOMB/FIRE ARMS DOG

Mayor Brundige introduced Officer Marty McClure and the City's new Bomb/Fire Arm's dog, Rugby.

Director Sanders commented, it has taken us three years to acquire this dog through The Alcohol, Tobacco, and Fire Arms Division. Marty and Rugby spent ten weeks in Virginia training. Rugby has already proved to be an asset to the department. There are only three dogs in the in the State of Tennessee, one in Middle, East and now West Tennessee. This dog can really provide a measure of safety and security in the event of bomb threat by helping to clear buildings, especially schools. But, Rugby also has some other extra benefits, he can detect fire arms and all explosives.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

NAME INTERIM PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

Mayor Brundige asked for nominations for interim City of Martin Public Safety Director.

Alderman Johnson nominated Captain David Moore, seconded by Alderman Merryman.

Alderman Nanney nominated Captain Allen Hazlewood, seconded by Alderman Hazlewood.

VOTE: CAPTAIN DAVID MOORE

FOR:	HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE JOHNSON HONORABLE BOYD HONORABLE MERRYMAN
AGAINST:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE HARRISON
ABSENT:	NONE

VOTE: CAPTAIN ALLEN HAZLEWOOD

FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE HARRISON
AGAINST:	HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE JOHNSON HONORABLE BOYD HONORABLE MERRYMAN
ABSENT:	NONE

Mayor Brundige declared Captain David Moore the interim Public Safety Director.

SALARY FOR INTERIM PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

Mayor Brundige made a recommendation that the salary for Interim Public Safety Director be set at \$43,000.00.

Alderman Merryman made the motion to set the salary for Interim Public Safety Director at \$43,000.00, seconded by Alderwoman Boyd.

VOTE:FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
 HONORABLE HARRISON
 HONORABLE BELOTE
 HONORABLE JOHNSON
 HONORABLE BOYD
 HONORABLE MERRYMAN
AGAINST: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

APPROVE MR. ERIC SPENCE FOR THE POSITION OF CITY RECORDER

Mayor Brundige made the recommendation to appoint Mr. Eric Spencer as City Recorder.

Alderman Merryman made the motion to appoint Mr. Eric Spencer as City of Martin’s City Recorder, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE:FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
 HONORABLE HARRISON
 HONORABLE BELOTE
 HONORABLE JOHNSON
 HONORABLE BOYD
 HONORABLE MERRYMAN
AGAINST: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige introduced Mr. Spencer.

SALARY SET FOR CITY RECORDER POSITION

Mayor Brundige made the recommendation to set the salary for City Recorder at \$32,500.00.

Alderwoman Boyd made the motion to set the salary for the city recorder’s position at \$32,500.00,

seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE:FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
 HONORABLE HARRISON
 HONORABLE BELOTE
 HONORABLE JOHNSON
 HONORABLE BOYD
 HONORABLE MERRYMAN
 AGAINST: NONE
 ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige set the salary at \$32,500.00.

REPAIR OF LANDFILL DOZER

Mayor Brundige stated the Landfill Dozer is in need of repair or replacement. This was discussed at the finance committee and their recommendation was to repair this piece of equipment.

Mr. Tidwell explained, we have had three estimates turned into the Public Works Department, the lowest bid is from Collins Equipment Company, Lexington, TN. The bid is \$33,024.00. This does not include any engine work. It would take approximately \$170,000.00 to purchase a new dozer.

Alderman Nanney made the motion to accept the bid of \$33,024.00 from Collins Equipment Company, Lexington, TN, to repair the Landfill Dozer, seconded by Alderman Harrison.

VOTE:FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
 HONORABLE HARRISON
 HONORABLE BELOTE
 HONORABLE JOHNSON
 HONORABLE BOYD
 HONORABLE MERRYMAN
 AGAINST: NONE
 ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

REQUEST TO RESCIND THE POSITION OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR AND REINSTATE THE POSITIONS OF FIRE CHIEF AND POLICE CHIEF

Alderman Nanney made the motion to rescind the position of Public Safety Director and reinstate the positions of Fire Chief and Police Chief, seconded by Alderman Merryman.

VOTE:FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
 HONORABLE HARRISON
 HONORABLE BELOTE
 HONORABLE JOHNSON
 HONORABLE MERRYMAN
AGAINST: HONORABLE BOYD
ABSENT: NONE

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 02003-22: AN ORDINANCE DELETING CHAPTER 8 OF TITLE 1 OF THE MARTIN MUNICIPAL CODE PROVIDING FOR THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE CITY OF MARTIN

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented Ordinance 02003-22: An Ordinance deleting Chapter 8 of Title 1 of the Martin Municipal Code providing for the position of Director of Public Safety for the City of Martin. The position will have to be repealed by ordinance because it was created by ordinance.

Mr. Tidwell read O2003-22. A copy follows:

ORDINANCE 02003-22

AN ORDINANCE DELETING CHAPTER 8 OF TITLE 1 OF THE MARTIN MUNICIPAL CODE PROVIDING FOR THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE CITY OF MARTIN

WHEREAS, the Charter for the City of Martin provides that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may establish, merge, or consolidate offices, positions of employment and departments, and may transfer or change the functions and duties of offices, positions of employment and departments; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen has determined the administration of the Police and Fire Department of the City of Martin would be more effectively and efficiently managed by the elimination of the position of Director of Public Safety with the appointment of both a Police Chief and Fire Chief.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MARTIN, TENNESSEE, THAT;

Section 1. That Chapter 8 of Title 1 of the Martin Municipal Code is hereby repealed in it entirety.

Section 2. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or

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circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not effect other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this ordinance are to be severable.

Section 3. BE IT FURTHER ordained that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage after second and final reading THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT.

Richard L. Tidwell, City Recorder

Randy Brundige, Mayor

INTRODUCED _____

PASSED FIRST READING _____

PASSED SECOND READING _____

Alderman Harrison made the motion to approve on the first reading, Ordinance 02003-22: An Ordinance deleting Chapter 8 of Title 1 of the Martin Municipal Code providing for the position of Director of Public Safety for the City of Martin, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE:FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY
	HONORABLE HARRISON
	HONORABLE BELOTE
	HONORABLE JOHNSON
	HONORABLE MERRYMAN
AGAINST:	HONORABLE BOYD
ABSENT:	NONE

Mayor Brundige declared Ordinance O2003-22 approved on the first reading and set the second and final reading and public hearing for December 08, 2003, at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURN

Alderman Nanney made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Harrison.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL.

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Richard L. Tidwell, City Administrator

Randy Brundige, Mayor

RB: RLT/bh

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