

# **MINUTES OF THE MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN**

**July 01, 2004      5:30 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, July 01, 2004, at 5:30 PM in the City Hall Chambers, when the following was held to wit:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:      NONE

## **CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION**

Mayor Brundige called the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order for the July 01, 2004 meeting. Alderman Boyd gave the invocation.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Brundige lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES, JUNE 07, 2004**

Alderman Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 07, 2004 meeting as written, seconded by Alderman Harrison.

VOTE:                      UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF ORAN TRUE**

Chief True reported, things are going well at the station. I would like to publicly thank the Color Shop publicly for their donation of floor tile, paint and installation materials. They gave us enough

tile to put down in both stations. Actually we had two problems, at the main station we had a flood caused by the plumbing break in the bathroom. Water flooded the bath, hallway and bedroom area going under the tile. At the second station, we had a leak in the shower which had rotted out at the base. The shower framing is being repaired in the midst of installing the tile. The bathroom is getting a necessary upgrade. Other minor repairs are being done. There are some structural issues at station #2. We can take care of it but the long and short of it is, there was a supporting wall removed some years ago. We found this out when I had to get upon the roof to check the rubber roofing that is starting to come up and almost fell through. This can be corrected by installing a beam. All of the labor is being done by the firemen and all needed construction supplies were donated by the Color Shop. The entrance signs have been repainted by the firemen and will be reinstalled shortly.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

## **CHIEF MOORE**

Chief Moore explained, we have been interviewing approximately thirty applicants for the positions in open in our department. We had a record number of applicants, 59 persons. The School Resource Officers will meet in the morning to interview seven of these applicants, hopefully narrowing it down to two SRO officers. Then we can choose the officer position from the applicants, schedule academy dates in August, and schedule a field training program between now and then.

Several of our officers are doing some enhancements to the building across the alleyway and revising some storage space for uniforms. Hopefully this will help us manage our uniforms usage better.

## **RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Mayor Brundige presented a recommendation from the Public Works Committee to accept the low bid for City of Martin streets: Ford Paving, \$31.90 per ton.

Alderman Nanney made the motion to accept the low bid for City of Martin streets from Ford Paving, \$31.90 per ton, seconded by Alderman Harrison.

VOTE:           FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY  
                      HONORABLE HARRISON  
                      HONORABLE BELOTE  
                      HONORABLE JOHNSON  
                      HONORABLE BOYD  
                      HONORABLE EDWARDS  
                  AGAINST: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **APPOINTMENT TO MARTIN HOUSING AUTHORITY: MS. JANET ELLIOTT, 5 YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE 05/31/2009**

Mayor Brundige presented a recommendation from the Martin Housing Authority to reappoint Ms. Janet Elliott to a five year term to expire May 31, 2009.

Alderman Harrison made the motion to appoint Ms. Janet Elliott to a five year term to expire May 31, 2009, seconded by Alderwoman Boyd.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

### **A REQUEST FROM MS CELESTE TAYLOR TO BE PAID FOR ONE WEEK OF ACCUMULATED VACATION**

Mayor Brundige presented a request from Ms Celeste Taylor to be paid for one week of accumulated vacation.

Alderman Harrison made the motion to grant a request from Ms Celeste Taylor to be paid for one week of accumulated vacation.

Alderman Belote asked, does the policy validate that request?

Mayor Brundige stated, there is nothing in the policy addressing this.

Alderman Belote spoke, this sounds like it needs to be addressed. I don't have a problem doing it but when you have a lot of employees that have accumulated a substantial amount of annual leave and all of a sudden request to be compensated, then I think you would have a budget issue. A one time thing would not hurt obviously not.

Alderwoman Boyd stated, we can't deny it if she has accrued it.

Alderman Edwards stated, it is money due her, she can either take vacation time or money.

Alderman Harrison replied, it is costing us the same.

Alderman Belote stated, it is not costing you the same.

Mayor Brundige stated, no, it is not costing you the same. It is costing you double.

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Alderman Belote stated, if an employee takes his/her vacation time, is the city hiring someone to take their place while they are gone? Chances are, no. Now, there is a system in place to get their vacation if they take another job or retire. There does come a time when they are compensated for their vacation time that is usually at retirement or taking another position. This is something that is not budgeted in our salary line and would have to come out of some line item in the general fund. I am not against anyone requesting this or even granting it but I think you need to fix it and think about it for the future.

Alderman Harrison stated, let's grant this one and then we will discuss it at a later date for any future requests.

Mayor Brundige stated, I think we need to fix it quickly, if we are going to fix it. And, it can be simply done by an amendment to the personal policy. I think I can have that drafted for the next board meeting.

Alderwoman Boyd seconded the motion to grant a request from Ms Celeste Taylor to be paid for one week of accumulated vacation.

Alderman Belote asked, the motion says we are granting the request. The motion says nothing about the what if. Now, is the what if, we are granting this one time and then we are going to study it?

Mayor Brundige stated, correct.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

Alderman Belote made the motion to freeze all requests for compensation of accumulated vacation time, until a study is done, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

**LIST OF STREETS TO BE PAVED**

Alderman Nanney presented the list of streets selected by the Public Works Committee to be paved by the city:

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>WIDTH/LENGTH</u>	<u>TONS</u>	<u>COST</u>
N. McComb Street from Jackson Road to Jackson Road	30' x 2890'L	1059.66	\$ 33,803.15
Poplar Street	24' x 1727' L	506.59	\$ 16,160.22
Christine Street from Meek to Gardner	30' x 490' L	179.66	\$ 5,731.15

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<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>WIDTH/LENGTH</u>	<u>TONS</u>	<u>COST</u>
Jones Street	26' x 1128' L	358.45	\$ 11,434.56
Alberta Street	27' x 917' L	302.61	\$ 9,653.26
Parish Street from Lee Street to Raven St.	20' x 1000' L	244.44	\$ 7,797.64
George Street from Elm to Parish Street	20' x 645' L	157.66	\$ 5,029.35
North end of Olive Street	24' x 370' L	108.53	\$ 3,462.11
Fulton Street from Jackson To Walter St.	30' x 1285' L	471.16	\$ 15,030.00
Clark Street	27' x 687' L	226.71	\$ 7,232.05
Rebecca Street	20' x 512' L	<u>126.61</u>	<u>\$ 4,038.86</u>
TOTALS		3,742.08	\$119,372.35

Cost based on Ford Paving Company's Bid of \$31.90/ton submitted on 07/01/2004

**ADJOURN**

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

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Danny Nanney, Vice Mayor

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Randy Brundige, Mayor

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