

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

**April 09, 2007 5:15 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, April 09, 2007, at 5:15 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 DAVID BELOTE, ALDERMAN WARD II  
HONORABLE TERRY HANKINS, ALDERMAN WARD III  
HONORABLE RANDY EDWARDS, ALDERMAN WARD III  
MEMBERS ABSENT: HONORABLE JOHNNY TUCK, ALDERMAN WARD II

Also present: City Recorder Chris Mathis, Fire Chief Russell Schwahn, Martin Community Development Director Karami Hagan, Director of Public Works Billy Wagster, Police Chief David Moore, Mr. Wade Bigham, Ms. Linda Williams, Ms. Linda Garrett, several Suiter's Service Station employees, and members of the press.

## **CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION**

Mayor Brundige called the April 09, 2007 meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order. Alderman Edwards gave the invocation.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

## **MARTIN FIRE DEPARTMENT AWARDS CHIEF RUSSELL SCHWAHN**

Chief Schwahn presented Letter of Recognition Awards to Linda Williams and Linda Garrett, Suiter's Service Station employees. Several days ago an incident happened at the station that involved a car running into the gas pumps causing a fire. These two women handled the situation in a heroic manner.

Chief Schwahn read the Letter of Recognition Award for Ms. Linda Williams. Mayor Brundige presented it.

Martin Fire Department Recognition Award

To:

Linda Williams is recognized for outstanding service in the face of danger by placing others safety above her own by calling 911 to report a fire on March 6, 2007.

Chief Schwahn read the Letter of Recognition Award for Ms. Linda Garrett. Mayor Brundige presented it.

**Martin Fire Department Recognition Award**

To:

Linda Garrett is recognized for outstanding service in the face of danger by placing others' safety above her own by stopping fuel to a fire by hitting the emergency shut-off on March 6, 2007.

Mayor Brundige stated it is always a great pleasure to recognize citizens for a contribution to the community. We are very proud of what you have done. Thank you.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES                      MARCH 12, 2007**

Alderman Harrison made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2007 meeting as written, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE:                      UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

**DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTS:**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT                      FIRE CHIEF RUSSELL SCHWAHN**

The Fire Department's monthly reports were included in packets. A copy of these reports is attached to minutes.

Chief Schwahn explained Weakley County is no longer under a no burn order. When we are no longer under a no burn order a person needs to secure a burn permit from the proper agency. If you live inside the city limits call the fire department and if you are outside the city limits call the Forestry Division.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT                      DIRECTOR KARAMI HAGAN**

Director Hagan explained the citywide Clean-Up-Days are scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am till 4:00 pm and April 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am till noon.

We are gearing up for the Soybean Festival. My office mailed the first round of sponsorship request letters.

We are also working on the new City Brochure. Mr. Bud Grimes from UTM is helping us with this undertaking.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

## **DIRECTOR BILLY GENE WAGSTER**

The Public Works Department's monthly reports were included in packets. A copy of these reports is attached to minutes.

Director Wagster announced the wastewater treatment plant project is coming along. We have all three pumps in place and working. The project is not 100% completed as we are waiting for a bar screen to be delivered and installed. This may take another thirty to forty days but the plant can operate without it.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

## **CHIEF DAVID MOORE**

The Police Department's monthly reports were in packets. A copy of these reports is attached to the minutes.

I hope by this time next month I will be able to announce a lieutenant's promotion, a new investigator, and two new patrol officers. The department is in the process of creating another investigator's position thus opening a lieutenant's position in patrol.

## **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

## **DIRECTOR BARBARA VIRGIN**

Director Virgin announced the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Steven Wright Golf Tournament would be held May 17<sup>th</sup> at Persimmon Hill Golf course. We will have lunch, dinner, and awards presentations.

May 1<sup>st</sup> is scheduled for the Sixth Annual President's Banquet. The banquet will be at 6:30 pm in the UTM Center. We will have dinner, entertainment, graduation of youth and adults from the leadership programs, recognition of the out-going president and in-coming president, will present the Small Business of the Year Award, the Three Star Awards, the Weakley County Person of the Year Award, and the Youth Achievement Award.

I would like to introduce Ms. Ashley Grimes, one of our Youth Leadership participants, and Ms. Karami Hagan, Mr. Dusty Gibson, and Mr. Eric Simmons, three members of Leadership Weakley County.

On April 19<sup>th</sup> the Chamber will host *How to Develop a Small Business and Develop a Business Plan* with Mr. Ron Acree from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at the Chamber Office.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ACCEPT UTILITIES ON COURTRIGHT ROAD RELATIVE TO THE WAL-MART PROJECT. THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.**

Mayor Brundige introduced for consideration a recommendation from the Public Works Committee to accept the utilities on Courtright Road relative to the Wal-Mart Project. This was discussed at the Informal Meeting. This is the utilities only, not the streets.

Alderman Harrison made the motion to accept the utilities on Courtright Road relative to the Wal-Mart Project, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

**ACCEPT BIDS TO SELL THREE (3) OLD TRACTORS AND A 1988 2-TON FORD F-700 TRUCK WITH DUMP BED. THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.**

Mayor Brundige introduced a recommendation from the Public Work Committee to accept bids to sell three (3) old tractors and a 1988 2-Ton Ford F-700 truck with dump bed (This is the old leaf truck).

Bids for the sale of tractors:

	Tractor #1	Tractor #2	Tractor #3	
Bidder	#L02155A717766	#L02155A719084	#LV52105120599	TOTAL
Jack's Trading Post	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$6,235	\$15,235
John Deere	\$4,655	\$4,655	\$7,555	\$16,865
Bob Collins	\$4,000	\$4,500	\$6,300	\$14,800

Bids for the sale of 1988 2-Ton Ford F-700 truck with dump bed:

Bidder	Bid
Bob Collins	\$2,360.00
Vincent Implement, Inc.	\$2,105.00

Alderman Edwards made the motion to accept the high bid of \$16,865.00 for the sale of three old tractors from John Deere and the high bid of \$2,360.00 from Bob Collins for the sale of 1988 2-Ton Ford F-700 truck with dump bed, seconded by Alderman Hankins.

VOTE:	FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS
	AGAINST:	NONE
	ABSENT:	HONORABLE TUCK

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

**ACCEPT BIDS TO LEASE THREE NEW RIGHT-OF-WAY TRACTORS FROM VINCENT IMPLEMENT, INC. THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.**

Mayor Brundige introduced for consideration a recommendation from the Public Works Committee to lease three new tractors from Vincent Implement, Inc. The bid specs were advertised. Vincent Implement was the only company to bid. Their bid is \$500.00 per month per tractor.

Alderman Edwards made the motion to approve a lease from Vincent Implement, Inc. for three new right-of-way tractors at \$500.00 per month per tractor, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE:	FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS
	AGAINST:	NONE
	ABSENT:	HONORABLE TUCK

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

**INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION R2007-02: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF MARTIN GENERAL FUND AND FRIENDS OF THE PARK FUND. THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented Resolution R2007-02: Resolution authorizing budget amendment to the City of Martin General Fund and Friends of the Park Fund. This resolution is a recommendation from the Finance Committee.

Recorder Mathis read Resolution R2007-02 and noted the press had received a copy of the resolution. A copy follows:

**RESOLUTION R2007-02**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF MARTIN,  
TENNESSEE GENERAL FUND AND FRIENDS OF THE PARK FUND FOR THE  
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2007**

**WHEREAS**, monies are needed to fund miscellaneous expenses for the General Fund and the Friends of the Park Fund of the City of Martin; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the wishes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Martin that funds be transferred to cover these requirements.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Martin, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007 this resolution is hereby approved.

**SECTION 1.** The City of Martin General Fund and the Friends of the Park Fund are hereby amended as follows:

		<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Changes</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
<b><u>General Fund</u></b>				
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
110-33448	FEMA/TEMA Grants	\$0.00	\$ 16,168.00	\$ 16,168.00
110-33520	State Income Tax	25,500.00	9,553.00	35,053.00
110-35118	Officers' In-Service Pay	12,500.00	986.00	13,486.00
110-35119	Officers' Pay – Wal-Mart Security	-	5,639.00	5,639.00
110-36510	Sale of Land	-	10,000.00	10,000.00
110-36520	Sale of Vehicles	4,000.00	2,831.00	6,831.00
110-36930	Note Proceeds	-	315,998.00	315,998.00
110-33431	TEA-21 Enhancement Grant	-	56,684.00	56,684.00
110-33432	Brian Brown Greenway	-	8,782.00	8,782.00
110-33433	USDA Reed Center Grant	-	60,000.00	60,000.00
110-33434	Salute to America Plaza	-	28,000.00	28,000.00
		<u>\$514,641.00</u>		
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
110-41100-790	Mayor's Luncheon	-	\$ 4,235.00	4,235.00
110-41300-215	Credit Card Fees	-	710.00	710.00

		Original Budget	Changes	Amended Budget
110-41300-253	Audit Fees	7,350.00	5,108.00	12,458.00
110-41300-269	Janitorial Services	20,300.00	(15,227.00)	5,073.00
110-42100-111-60	Officers' In-Service Pay	12,500.00	986.00	13,486.00
110-42100-111-65	Officers' Pay – Wal-Mart Security	-	5,639.00	5,639.00
110-42100-263	Extraordinary Repairs	-	6,757.00	6,757.00
110-42100-312	Copier Lease	-	1,750.00	1,750.00
110-42200-795	Samantha Green Lawsuit	-	46,667.00	46,667.00
110-43170-111-25	Janitorial Services	-	15,240.00	15,240.00
110-43170-324	Janitorial Supplies	200.00	7,500.00	7,700.00
110-44400-265	Field Maintenance	6,500.00	3,000.00	9,500.00
110-44400-266	Physical Plant Repairs	3,500.00	5,000.00	8,500.00
110-44400-917	Weldon Park Project	-	9,733.00	9,733.00
110-44400-925	Soccer Pavilion Expense	-	17,559.00	17,559.00
110-44400-928	Salute to America Plaza	-	56,000.00	56,000.00
110-44800-902	Equipment Reserve	140,000.00	(137,900.00)	2,100.00
110-45000-795	TEA-21 Enhancement Grant	-	70,855.00	70,855.00
110-45000-796	Industrial Site Clearance	-	117,029.00	117,029.00
110-45000-797	Brian Brown Greenway	-	8,782.00	8,782.00
110-45000-798	Reed Center Renovation	-	283,000.00	283,000.00
			<u>\$512,423.00</u>	
<b><u>Friends of the Park Revenues</u></b>				
128-36100	SE Regional Cal Ripken Tourney	2,500.00	\$ 4,345.00	6,845.00
128-36110	Waggener Crop Income	-	2,588.00	2,588.00
			<u>\$ 6,933.00</u>	
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
128-44429-120	SE Regional Cal Ripken Tourney	2,500.00	<u>\$ 4,379.00</u>	6,879.00

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

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

ATTESTED:

SIGNED:

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Chris Mathis, City Recorder, CPA

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Randy Brundige, Mayor

Alderman Belote made the motion to approve Resolution R2007-02: Resolution authorizing budget amendment to the City of Martin General Fund and Friends of the Park Fund, seconded by Alderman Edwards.

VOTE:	FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS
	AGAINST:	NONE
	ABSENT:	HONORABLE TUCK

Mayor Brundige declared the Resolution approved.

**INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION R2007-03: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF MARTIN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BABE RUTH LEAGUE, INC. FOR THE CITY OF MARTIN TO HOST THE 2008 CAL RIPKEN WORLD SERIES FOR AGES 12 AND UNDER**

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration Resolution R2007-03: A resolution authorizing the Mayor of Martin to enter into an agreement with Babe Ruth League, Inc. for the City of Martin to host the 2008 Cal Ripken World Series for ages 12 and under.

Recorder Mathis read Resolution R2007-03 and noted the press had received a copy of the resolution. A copy follows:



**RESOLUTION R2007-03**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF MARTIN TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BABE RUTH LEAGUE, INC. FOR THE CITY OF MARTIN TO HOST THE 2008 CAL RIPKEN WORLD SERIES FOR AGES 12 AND UNDER**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Martin, Tennessee, recognizes the importance of recreational events and opportunities for the citizens of Martin and the positive effect such events have on the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen has constantly strived for maximum utilization of the excellent facilities provided at the Martin Recreational Complex by encouraging all types of athletic events to be hosted at that Complex; and

**WHEREAS**, a representative of Babe Ruth Baseball, Inc., recently visited the City of Martin and was thoroughly impressed not only by the facilities available for a major national tournament, but also with the commitment the community has for the young people in this area; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of that visit and the success the City of Martin achieved in hosting two past Southeast Regional Tournaments, the City has been invited by Babe Ruth League, Inc., to host the 2008 Cal Ripken World Series for players ages 12 and under.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN** that the Mayor of the City of Martin is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Babe Ruth League, Inc. for the City of Martin to host the 2008 Cal Ripken World Series for ages 12 and under.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage, **THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT.**

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THE 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2007.**

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Chris Mathis, CPA  
City Recorder

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Randy Brundige,  
Mayor

Alderman Edwards made the motion to approve Resolution R2007-03: A resolution authorizing the Mayor of Martin to enter into an agreement with Babe Ruth League, Inc. for the City of Martin to host the 2008 Cal Ripken World Series for ages 12 and under, seconded by Alderman Hankins.

VOTE:	FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS
	AGAINST:	NONE
	ABSENT:	HONORABLE TUCK

Mayor Brundige declared the Resolution approved.

**INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION R2007-04:  
RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN ACTUARIAL STUDY TO  
DETERMINE THE LIABILITY ASSOCIATED WITH ALLOWING  
MEMBERS WITH ONE (1) YEAR SERVICE CREDIT IN THE  
TENNESSEE CONSOLIDATED RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO ESTABLISH  
RETIREMENT CREDIT FOR TIME DURING WHICH SUCH MEMBERS  
WERE EMPLOYED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH TITLE 8 SECTION 34 THROUGH 37 OF THE *TENNESSEE CODE  
ANNOTATED***

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration R2007-04: Resolution to authorize an actuarial study to determine the liability associated with allowing members with one (1) year service credit in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System to establish retirement credit for time during which such members were employed by a political subdivision in accordance with Title 8 Section 34 through 37 of the *Tennessee Code Annotated*.

Recorder Mathis read the resolution and noted the press had received a copy of the resolution. A copy follows:

**RESOLUTION R2007-04**

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AN ACTUARIAL STUDY TO DETERMINE THE  
LIABILITY ASSOCIATED WITH ALLOWING MEMBERS WITH ONE (1) YEAR  
SERVICE CREDIT IN THE TENNESSEE CONSOLIDATED RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
TO ESTABLISH RETIREMENT CREDIT FOR TIME DURING WHICH SUCH  
MEMBERS WERE EMPLOYED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH TITLE 8 SECTION 34 THROUGH 37 OF THE TENNESSEE CODE  
ANNOTATED**

**WHEREAS,** *Tennessee Code Annotated* Section 8-35-236 authorizes a political subdivision participating in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System to permit any member who has one (1) year or more of current membership service in the Retirement System to establish retirement credit for time during which such member was employed by such political subdivision;

**WHEREAS**, four (4) conditions must be met prior to allowing such members to make the above election. Said conditions are as follows:

- (1) The political subdivision authorizes and pays for the cost of an actuarial study to determine the liability associated with the granting of such prior service;
- (2) The member files with the political subdivision, within sixty (60) calendar days of the passage of the resolution authorizing the study, a notice of the member's intention to establish such prior service. Any member who fails to file the notice of election within the sixty (60) day period shall not later be eligible to establish such prior service;
- (3) Following the review of the cost of granting such prior service, the chief governing body of the political subdivision by a two-thirds (2/3) vote passes a resolution authorizing the service for such members, and accepting liability therefore; provided, however, the political subdivision may only authorize credit for such periods of previous service as authorized for other employees of the political subdivision; and
- (4) Any such member making the above election pays to the Retirement System in a lump sum the employee contributions he would have made had he been a member of the Retirement System during the period claimed, plus interest at the rate provided in Section 8-37-214.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Martin, Tennessee hereby authorizes an actuarial study to determine the liability associated with allowing the above provisions and accepts responsibility for the cost of such study.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution take effect upon its passage.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED THE 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2007.**

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:

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Chris Mathis, CPA  
City Recorder

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Randy Brundige,  
Mayor

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF WEAKLEY

I, Chris Mathis, City Recorder of the City of Martin, Tennessee do hereby certify that this is a true and exact copy of the foregoing City of Martin, Tennessee resolution that was approved and adopted at a meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2007 the original of which is on file in this office. I further certify that five (5) members voted in favor of the resolution and that five (5) members were present and voting.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and the seal of the City of Martin, Tennessee.

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Chris Mathis, City Recorder

Mayor Brundige stated this study would provide the city with information we need to make a decision concerning back payment of retirement. There will no liability at this point. The study will cost \$310.00.

Alderman Harrison made the motion to approve Resolution R2007-04: Resolution to authorize an actuarial study to determine the liability associated with allowing members with one (1) year service credit in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System to establish retirement credit for time during which such members were employed by a political subdivision in accordance with Title 8 Section 34 through 37 of the Tennessee code, seconded by Alderman Harrison.

VOTE:	FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS
	AGAINST:	NONE
	ABSENT:	HONORABLE TUCK

Mayor Brundige declared the Resolution approved.

## **CO-SPONSOR OF UTM FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP BANQUET**

Mayor Brundige presented for consideration the City of Martin co-sponsoring with UTM the UTM Football Championship Banquet for 2006-2007. The cost to the city will be \$2,996.15. Memorandum and cost analysis follows:

Date: March 30, 2007

To: Martin City Board of Aldermen

From: Chris Mathis, City Recorder

Re: UTM Football Championship Banquet Proposal

Former UTM football coach Bob Carroll met with Mayor Brundige on March 26<sup>th</sup> to request the City's participation in honoring the UTM football team as 2006 Ohio Valley Champions. Coach Carroll stated that in 1967 the City sponsored a banquet honoring that year's football team as winners of the Tangerine Bowl and it would be fitting to honor this year's team in a similar manner. A cost analysis of this proposal is attached.

Thanks,  
Chris



**ADJOURN**

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL.

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

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Chris Mathis, CPA  
City Recorder

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Randy Brundige,  
Mayor

RB: CM/bh  
Saved "April 09, 2007"