

**MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
JANUARY 11, 2010 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, January 11, 2010, 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 JOHNNY TUCK, ALDERMAN WARD II
HONORABLE TERRY HANKINS, ALDERMAN WARD III
HONORABLE RANDY EDWARDS, ALDERMAN WARD III

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

Also present: City Recorder Chris Mathis, Police Chief David Moore, Fire Chief Russell Schwahn, Human Resources Director Celeste Taylor, Public Works Director Billy Wagster, Director of C. E. Weldon Public Library Roberta Peacock, Director of Parks and Recreation Brian Moore, Building Inspector Billy Stout, Director of Community Development Kimberly Craddock, President of Downtown Business Association Audrey Roberts, Mr. Russell Edwards, Ms. Olivia Wilson, Ms. Teresa Hamm, Ms. Lynette Wagster and members of the press.

CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Brundige called the January 11th regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order. Alderman Tuck gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DECEMBER 14, 2009

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the minutes of the December 14, 2009 Regular Meeting as written and asked if there were any additions or deletions. There were none. (Minutes were approved after Resolution R2010-01 was approved)

Alderman Nanney made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2009 regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen as written, seconded by Alderman Tuck.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF DAVID MOORE

Chief Moore was present and asked if anyone had any questions concerning the police department's monthly report. No questions were asked. A copy is attached to the minutes.

PUBLIC WORKS

DIRECTOR BILLY WAGSTER

Director Wagster asked if there were any questions concerning his monthly report. There were none. A copy is attached to the minutes.

Director Wagster announced that Friday, January 15th would be the last day for loose leaf pick-up but Public Works will continue to pick up bagged leaves upon notification.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF RUSSELL SCHWAHN

Chief Schwahn asked if anyone had any questions concerning the Fire Department's monthly report. No questions were asked. A copy is attached to the minutes.

C. E. WELDON LIBRARY

DIRECTOR ROBERTA PEACOCK

Director Peacock presented the Library's monthly report and annual report. Copies of these are attached to the minutes.

Director Peacock announced if anyone is looking for employment the Census Bureau is still testing at the Library. All information is online. In February the Library will start the Tax Aid Program which helps people file their Federal Income Tax. This program will run from February through the 15th May.

I wish to express our thanks to Wal-Mart for awarding the Library a grant of \$1,000.00 which will be used to purchase a wide screen television for the conference room.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

DIRECTOR BILLY STOUT

Director Stout was present and asked if anyone had any questions. No questions were asked.

GRANT ADMINISTRATION-TRAIL

9	Grant Administration				\$ 3,000.00
	SUBTOTAL				\$ 3,000.00

CONTINGENCY

10	Contingency	10%	Const/Eng.	\$ 45,172.50	\$ 4,517.25
	SUBTOTAL				\$ 4,517.25
	TOTAL RTP PROJECT COST				\$53,189.75

Director Moore also presented a preliminary project layout for the Walking Trail at Harmon Field bordered by Jackson Street and Olney Street. This is a master plan for Harmon Field but the grant will include only the grading, the parking lots that are on the side of grocery store across the street, and the walking trail.

Alderman Nanney asked will the pavilion on the plan be an open pavilion.

Director Moore replied – “yes sir”.

Alderman Nanney asked have you selected the type of playground equipment.

Director Moore explained the pavilion and new playground equipment will be Phase II and will be done at a later date. Phase I will include the grading, the parking lots that are on the side of grocery store across the street, and the walking trail. The costs involved in the purchase and installation of the playground equipment will be a determining factor in the type purchased. We are leaving the baseball/softball backstop up. I can picture a church having a Sunday afternoon picnic or a family getting together and playing a little softball or walking the trail. The facility already has restrooms which will need a little updating.

Alderman Belote asked, Brian, will the corner where old concession building is located remain asphalt?

Director Moore stated, yes. In fact, that area will add into the parking.

Alderman Belote asked, will there be a separation from the trail and the parking?

Director Moore stated, yes, there is an eight foot concrete walk pad around the back of the building and the trail will actually tie into this.

Alderman Belote asked, will there be some separation between the trail and asphalt parking?

Director Moore stated yes, possible ten to twelve feet of separation.

Director Moore informed the board that Parks and Recreation will hold a public hearing January 19th at 5:30 pm at the Senior Adult Center on this proposal and grant. We want input from the area residents even though this project was developed from the community surveys sent out last

year. Two hundred and thirty-three surveys were sent out and sixty were returned which is a good percentage.

Alderman Belote asked, are you limited to the type of surface for the walking trail?

Director Moore replied, I have not asked that question.

Alderman Belote responded my reason for asking – are there surfaces that are a little more forgiving to elderly legs than the asphalt? This is just a consideration.

Alderman Hankins asked, is this a matching grant?

Director Moore replied, yes, this is an 80/20 matching grant with our match being approximately \$10,300.00. This match can be met by in-kind work, donations and other funds. This grant must be in by February 2, 2010 and will be awarded in late summer or early fall. There is a three year completion period starting from the award date. This project will not take long to complete.

Alderman Belote asked, have you all considered the rules and regulations that will apply to the proposed park?

Director Moore stated no, but I am assuming they will be like the ones that apply to our other parks. I know we have a really nice park outside of town but I feel it is time we brought a park back to town and Harmon Field is a wonderful location.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any more questions. There was none.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION R2010-01: A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OF MARTIN TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR RECREATION PROGRAM FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00 TO CONSTRUCT A RECREATIONAL CONNECTING TRAIL AT HARMON FIELD

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration Resolution R2010-01: A resolution to authorize the Mayor of Martin to execute and submit an application for a Recreational Connecting Trail at Harmon Field.

Recorder Mathis read Resolution R2010-01. A copy was available for members of the press and any interested persons. A copy follows:

RESOLUTION R2010-01

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF MARTIN TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR RECREATION PROGRAM FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 TO CONSTRUCT A RECREATIONAL CONNECTING TRAIL AT HARMON FIELD

WHEREAS, the City of Martin supports the need for continued recreational activities within Martin; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee is accepting applications for the Recreational Trails Program;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Martin will apply for Recreation Trail Program Funds in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to construct a recreational connecting trail at Harmon Field;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Martin will provide the required match of twenty percent of the total project through the use of force account, in-kind, donations, and/or cash as identified in the grant application

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mayor Randy Brundige, as Chief Elected Official, is authorized and is hereby instructed, to sign all papers in connection with said resolution.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen on this 11th day of January, 2010.

SIGNED:

ATTEST:

Randy Brundige, Mayor

Chris Mathis CPA, City Recorder

Alderman Danny Nanney

Alderman Bill Harrison

Alderman David Belote

Alderman Johnny Tuck

Alderman Terry Hankins

Alderman Randy Edwards

Alderman Belote made the motion to approve Resolution R2010-01: A resolution to authorize the Mayor of Martin to execute and submit an application for a Recreational Connecting Trail at Harmon Field, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

Mayor Brundige called for a Roll Call Vote:

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

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION R2010-02: A RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR \$5,000.00 TO WEAKLEY COUNTY READING RAILROAD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 01, 2009 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2010

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration Resolution R2010-02: A resolution making appropriation for \$5,000.00 to Weakley County Reading Railroad for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.

Recorder Mathis read Resolution R2010-02. A copy was available for members of the press and any interested persons. A copy follows:

RESOLUTION R2010-02

A RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATION OF \$5,000 TO THE WEAKLEY COUNTY READING RAILROAD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2009 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2010

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Martin, Tennessee, has determined that it would benefit the general welfare of the residents of Martin if an appropriation were made to certain non-profit charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated 6-54-111 allows the legislative body of a municipality to appropriate funds under certain conditions for non-profit charitable organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Martin, that

SECTION 1. Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) be appropriated to the Weakley County Reading Railroad.

SECTION 2. In accordance with T.C.A. 6-65-111, this appropriation is made on the condition that the non-profit charitable organization for which these funds are appropriated shall file with the City Recorder’s office a copy of an annual report of its business and transactions, which includes, but is not limited to, a copy of an annual audit, its programs which serve the residents of the City of Martin and the proposed use of the municipal assistance. The City Recorder shall consult with appropriate officials of the organization and auditors for the City to determine the extent of the information which shall satisfy the requirement of this section.

SECTION 3. It is the expressed intent of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Martin in making this appropriation to be fully in compliance with T.C.A. 6-54-111 and Chapter 0380-3-7 of the Rules of the Comptroller of the Treasury, State of Tennessee.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect upon its passage, **THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT.**

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Chris Mathis, CPA City Recorder

Randy Brundige, Mayor

INTRODUCED AND PASSED FIRST READING _____

PASSED SECOND READING _____

Alderman Nanney made the motion to approve Resolution R2010-02: A resolution making appropriation for \$5,000.00 to Weakley County Reading Railroad for the fiscal year beginning July 01, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010, seconded by Alderman Belote.

Mayor Brundige asked for a Roll Call Vote:

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

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved and announced the public hearing for this resolution will be held February 8, 2010 at 5:15 pm in the City Hall Chambers.

INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION R2010-03: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MARTIN TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN TENNESSEE DOWNTOWNS, A PROGRAM OF TENNESSEE ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration Resolution R2010-03: A resolution authorizing the City of Martin to submit an application to participate in Tennessee Downtowns, a Program of Tennessee Economic and Community Development.

Recorder Mathis read Resolution R2010-03. A copy was available for members of the press and any interested persons. A copy follows:

RESOLUTION R2010-03

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MARTIN TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN TENNESSEE DOWNTOWNS, A PROGRAM OF TENNESSEE ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Tennessee Downtowns has been created to guide communities through an 18-month process to develop direction for the revitalization of their downtown commercial area; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development will be selecting communities to participate in the Tennessee Downtowns based on a competitive application;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN that the city:

Section 1. Endorses the submission of this application and participation if selected in the Tennessee Downtowns;

Section 2. Endorses the revitalization of the downtown commercial district;

Section 3. Endorses City of Martin as the non-profit organization that participates in Tennessee Downtowns if selected;

Section 4. Endorses the steering committee participation in all required meetings for Tennessee Downtowns.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen on this 11th day of January, 2010.

SIGNED:

ATTEST:

Randy Brundige, Mayor

Chris Mathis CPA, City Recorder

Alderman Belote made the motion to approve Resolution R2010-03: A resolution authorizing the City of Martin to submit an application to participate in Tennessee Downtowns, a Program of Tennessee Economic and Community Development, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

Mayor Brundige asked Director Craddock to address this project.

Director Craddock explained we just learned of the Tennessee Downtowns program a couple of weeks ago. The application needs to be presented by February 5th and will be reviewed by Economic and Community Development of Tennessee. Our application will contain information concerning any private or public revitalization and beautification, planning components, cultural recreational amenities, community profile, economic data, and how many commercial buildings are located in the downtown area, local historic districts, and historic overlay. The steering committee, which will determine the city's course of action and will be formerly appointed tonight, has met once with the second meeting scheduled for 8:30 am on January 20th. If we are selected as a participant we will have an eighteen month introduction to the organization and process of downtown revitalization and historic preservation. We will have the opportunity to receive grant money for the downtown historic area. The program is a subsidiary of the Main Street Program. Tennessee Downtowns has been designed to help revitalize and beautify downtown areas that are not in the Main Street Program by developing the downtown areas in a historical manner. If the city is selected, the steering committee will go to Middle Tennessee State University for a workshop on beautification and revitalizing the downtown and the process to receive grant funds. We will take some of the projects that we are going to work on for our application and get them completed. The grant amount is not stated in our paperwork.

Mayor Brundige asked if there was any further discussion. There was none therefore Mayor Brundige asked for a Roll Call Vote:

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

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

APPROVAL OF THE TENNESSEE STEERING COMMITTEE

Mayor Brundige introduced the Tennessee Steering Committee for approval: Ms. Kimberly Craddock, Martin Community Development; Ms. Lynette Wagster, Martin Historical Business District; Ms. Anita Allen, Monograms & More, Ms. Leslie Moore, Century 21 Real Estate & Auction; Ms. Olivia Wilson, Opera House Restaurant; Mr. Tracy McGehee, Office Products; Mr. Warner Pace, Kirkland's & The Lindell; Ms. Angie Hughey, The Color Shop; and Ms. Teresa

Hamm, Westan Insurance. This committee will submit application and determine the course of action the city will take in applying for the Tennessee Downtowns' Program.

Alderman Belote made the motion to approve the Tennessee Downtown Steering Committee: Ms. Kimberly Craddock, Martin Community Development; Ms. Lynette Wagster, Martin Historical Business District; Ms. Anita Allen, Monograms & More, Ms. Leslie Moore, Century 21 Real Estate & Auction; Ms. Olivia Wilson, Opera House Restaurant; Mr. Tracy McGhee, Office Products; Mr. Warner Pace, Kirkland's & The Lindell; Ms. Angie Hughey, The Color Shop; and Ms. Teresa Hamm, Westan Insurance, seconded by Alderman Harrison.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

APPOINTMENT TO THE CITY OF MARTIN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD: MR. MARVIN FLATT, TERM TO EXPIRE 12/31/2014 (THIS IS THE REMAINDER OF A SIX YEAR TERM OF WHICH MR. SAM LEWALLEN RESIGNED AFTER MOVING OUT OF THE CITY)

Mayor Brundige introduced for consideration the appointment of Mr. Marvin Flatt to the City of Martin Industrial Development Board, term to expire December 31, 2014. This is the remainder of a six year term of which Mr. Sam Lewallen resigned after moving out of the city.

Alderman Nanney made the motion to appoint Mr. Marvin Flatt to the City of Martin Industrial Development Board, term to expire December 31, 2014, seconded by Alderman Belote.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

There was none.

ADJOURN

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Chris Mathis, CPA
City Recorder

Randy Brundige,
Mayor

RB: CM/bh
Saved "January 11, 2010"