MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN MARCH 14, 2011 5:15 PM CITY COURTROOM

BE IT REMEMBERED the regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Martin, Tennessee, was held Monday, March 14, 2011, at 5:15 pm in the City courtroom, 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, Director of Parks and Recreation Brian Moore, Building Inspector Billy Stout, Fire Chief Russell Schwahn, Public Works Director Billy Wagster, Human Resources Director Celeste Taylor, Community Development Director Kimberly Craddock, Library Director Roberta Peacock, Police Captain Don Teal, Mr. Russell Edwards, Ms. Carmen Pendergrass, and members of the press.

CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Brundige called the March 14th regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order. Alderman Hankins gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION MAYOR RANDY BRUNDIGE

Mayor Brundige read the City of Martin Arbor Day Proclamation and presented it to Ms. Carmen Pendergrass, representative from the Martin Tree Board. A copy of the proclamation follows:

WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday called "ARBOR DAY" was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, ARBOR DAY is observed throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce erosion of soil, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas in Martin, and are a major component of our "Martin Beautiful" campaign.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Randy Brundige, Mayor of the City of Martin, Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2011 as

"ARBOR DAY"

and urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well being of present and future generations.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FEBRUARY 14, 2011

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the minutes of the February 14th regular meeting as written and asked if there were any additions or deletions. There were none.

Alderman Nanney made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2011 regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Alderman as written, seconded by Alderman Tuck.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE CHIEF RUSSELL SCHWAHN

Chief Schwahn presented the Fire Department's monthly report and asked if there were any questions. There were none. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF DAVID MOORE

Chief Moore presented the department's monthly reports and asked if there were any questions. There were none. A copy is attached to the minutes

Chief Moore explained – a lot of times when the Police Department has an opening and is in the hiring process I don't say much about it because it is a routine thing, but there are a few positions in the department that get a whole lot of attention and that is the hiring of a School Resource

Officer. There is a lot of community interest in our School Resource Officers so I thought it appropriate to let the board know that Officer Nick Glenn, who has been the SRO at the Middle School, has resigned to take a position with the University. Officer Glenn gave us plenty of notice that he was leaving and just to let you all know, there will be a meeting tomorrow with the selection committee which is comprised of the Martin schools principals and school board members to interview applicants.

Also, on May 1st we will be selecting from our patrol division someone to fill a third investigator position.

Chief Moore further explained – I want to address the noise complaint issues on Lee Street. This was discussed at the informal meeting. Just to let you all know that after a continuation of complaints we had staff meeting this morning and decided to dedicate overtime hours that will be funded from the Governor's Highway Safety Office or Youth Alcohol Grant Program. These hours have to be expended between now and October. We will immediately utilize our spring bike patrols, with body worn video recorders to document the activities and with foot patrols on nights we anticipate having noise issues. If anyone has any questions or suggestions I will entertain them now or after the meeting.

Alderman Belote asked – how many applicants do we have for the School Resource Officer position?

Chief Moore stated – fifteen.

Alderman Belote asked – are these applicants from within or new?

Chief Moore stated – the fifteen are new but we will open up the field to internal candidates as well.

Alderman Nanney asked – do any of the other schools in Weakley County have resource officers?

Chief Moore responded – not fulltime. A couple of departments have dedicated folks part-time to perform some roles in the schools, but not like ours.

Mayor Brundige stated – City of Martin schools are the only schools in the county that have School Resource Officers on duty throughout the school day and at school functions.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR KIMBERLY CRADDOCK

Director Craddock asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Director Craddock further explained – the Martin Business Association Lunch & Learn luncheon will be held in the Reed Center on March 22nd. We will have a class on our new web-site to help members set up their sites or pages.

On March 24th at 5:30 pm Martin Business Association will have a Mix & Mingle at Weakley County Motors.

LIBRARY

DIRECTOR ROBERTA PEACOCK

Director Peacock presented the Library's monthly report. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Director Peacock explained – the library has used Technology Grant funds to purchase a computer that is considered an early literacy station. This will be placed in our children's department. This computer is the host for thirty-eight programs that are geared toward the children. The program will help teach reading, math, science, geography, history, art, and many others. The program is such that it requires very little instruction. The computer has a touch screen as well as a mouse.

HUMAN RESOURCES

DIRECTOR CELESTE TAYLOR

Director Taylor asked if there were any questions. There were none.

PARKS AND RECREATION

DIRECTOR BRIAN MOORE

Director Moore presented his monthly reports and asked if anyone had any questions. There were none. Copies of these reports are attached to the minutes.

PUBLIC WORKS

DIRECTOR BILLY WAGSTER

Director Wagster presented the department's monthly reports and asked if there were any questions. There were none. Copies of these reports are attached to the minutes.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

INSPECTOR BILLY STOUT

Inspector Stout asked if there were any questions. There were none.

ADMINISTRATION

CITY RECORDER CHRIS MATHIS

Recorder Mathis stated he had nothing to submit at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

AWARD BID ON NEW 75 FOOT LADDER TRUCK FOR THE MARTIN FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PRO-FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY

Mayor Brundige introduced the discussion of awarding a bid on a new 75 foot ladder truck for the Martin Fire Department to Pro-Fire Company with the low bid of \$708,830.00, without trade. (Bid sheet attached to minutes.) The cost of the truck will be off-set with grant funds totaling \$499, 999.00 and sale of fire equipment. Is there any discussion? There was none.

Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to approve.

Alderman Harrison made the motion to award the bid on a new 75 foot ladder truck for the Martin Fire Department to Pro-Fire Company, seconded by Alderman Edwards

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any other discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was requested and follows:

VOTE: FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY

HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE TUCK HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS

AGAINST: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

AWARD MOWING BID ON VARIOUS CITY PROPERTIES TO TONY LAMAR D/B/A LAMAR LAWN CARE

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration awarding the City of Martin mowing bid on various city properties to Tony Lamar dba Lamar Lawn Care. He bid on four pieces of properties: Parks - \$10,840.00; Parks including Martin Middle School parking lot \$11,120.00; Cemeteries -\$29,500.00 and other properties - \$11,000.00. Is there any discussion?

Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to approve.

Alderman Tuck made the motion to approve awarding the City of Martin mowing bid on various city properties to Tony Lamar dba Lamar Lawn Care, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any other discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was requested and follows:

VOTE: FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY

HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE TUCK HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS

AGAINST: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION R2011-07: A RESOLUTION TO HIRE AN ENGINEERING FIRM TO ASSIST IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY OF MARTIN'S TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (TEP)

Mayor Brundige introduced and presentation for consideration Resolution R2011-07: A resolution to hire an engineering firm to assist in the implementation of the City Of Martin's Transportation Enhancement Project (TEP).

Recorder Mathis read Resolution R2011-07. A copy was made available any interested citizens and a copy was presented to members of the press. A copy follows:

RESOLUTION R2011-07

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE AN ENGINEERING FIRM TO ASSIST IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CITY OF MARTIN'S TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (TEP)

WHEREAS, the City of Martin, Tennessee has been awarded financial grant assistance as provided under the Tennessee Department of Transportation – Transportation Enhancement Program Project (TEP); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Alderman finds it in the City's best interest to secure the assistance of an experienced and qualified Engineering firm to assist in the implementation of the TEP Project; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with pertinent State regulations, the City has solicited and evaluated statements of qualifications of interested professional Engineering firms; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Alderman has determined that TLM Associates, Inc. has the most appropriate experience, background and qualifications to provide said services; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Alderman of City of Martin hereby selects TLM Associates, Inc. to provide assistance in the implementation of the City's TEP Project.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 14th day of March 14, 2011.

	Randy Brundige Mayor	
ATTEST:		
Chris Mathis, CPA		
City Recorder		

Mayor Brundige spoke – you have heard the reading of Resolution R2011-07. Is there a motion to approve?

Alderman Belote made the motion to approve Resolution R2011-07: A resolution to hire an engineering firm to assist in the implementation of the City Of Martin's Transportation Enhancement Project (TEP), seconded by Alderman Tuck.

Mayor Brundige asked – is there any discussion?

Alderman Nanney asked – is this the University Street Project?

Mayor Brundige answered – yes and asked if there were any other discussion. There was none. A roll call vote was requested and follows:

VOTE: FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY

HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE TUCK HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS

AGAINST: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared Resolution R2011-07 approved.

INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION R2011-08: A RESOLUTION TO HIRE AN ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FIRM TO ASSIST IN ADMINISTERING THE CITY OF MARTIN'S TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (TEP)

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration Resolution R2011-08: A resolution to hire an administrative management services firm to assist in administering the City Of Martin's Transportation Enhancement Project (TEP).

Recorder Mathis read Resolution R2011-08. A copy was made available any interested citizens and a copy was presented to members of the press. A copy follows:

RESOLUTION R2011-08

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE AN ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FIRM TO ASSIST IN ADMINISTERING THE CITY OF MARTIN'S TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (TEP)

WHEREAS, the City of Martin, Tennessee has been awarded financial grant assistance as provided under the Tennessee Department of Transportation -Transportation Enhancement Program Project (TEP); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Alderman of the City of Martin finds it in the City's best interest to secure the assistance of an experienced and qualified administrative management services firm to assist administering the City's TEP Project; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with pertinent State regulations, the City has solicited and evaluated statements of qualifications of interested professional TEP administrative assistance firms; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Alderman has determined that Community Development Partners, LLC has the most appropriate experience, background and qualifications to provide said services; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Alderman of the City of Martin hereby selects Community Development Partners, LLC to provide assistance in the administration of the City's TEP Project.

READ AND ADOPTED this the 14TH day of March, 2011.

	Randy Brundige Mayor	
ATTEST:	·	
Chris Mathis, CPA City Recorder		

Mayor Brundige spoke – you have heard the reading of Resolution R2011-08. Is there a motion to approve?

Alderman Nanney made the motion to approve Resolution R2011-08: A resolution to hire an administrative management services firm to assist in administering the City Of Martin's Transportation Enhancement Project (TEP), seconded by Alderman Harrison.

Mayor Brundige asked – is there any discussion? There was none. A roll call vote was requested and follows:

VOTE: FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY

HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE TUCK HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS

AGAINST: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared Resolution R2011-08 approved.

A REQUEST FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE AT MARTIN TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT ON MOUNT PELIA ROAD FROM UNIVERSITY STREET TO HANNINGS LANE TO 20 MILES PER HOUR

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration a request from the University of Tennessee at Martin to reduce the speed limit on Mt. Pelia Road from University Street to Hannings Lane to 20 miles per hour. Do I have a motion?

Alderman Harrison made the motion to approve a request from the University of Tennessee at Martin to reduce the speed limit on Mt. Pelia Road from University Street to Hannings Lane to 20 miles per hour, seconded by Alderman Belote.

VOTE: VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

ONE NAY VOTE FROM ALDERMAN EDWARDS

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

A REQUEST FROM MR. MIKE TUCKER, BAND DIRECTOR AT WESTVIEW HIGH SCHOOL, FOR \$3,000.00 TO AID IN PAYING FOR THE WESTVIEW BAND'S TRIP TO PERFORM IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mayor Brundige introduced a request from Mr. Mike Tucker, Band Director at Westview High School, for \$3,000.00 to aid in paying for the Westview Band's trip to perform in Washington, D.C. Is there any discussion? There was none. A roll call vote was requested and follows:

Alderman Harrison made the motion to approve a request from Mr. Mike Tucker, Band Director at Westview High School, for \$3,000.00 to aid in paying for the Westview Band's trip to perform in Washington, seconded by Alderman Edwards.

Mayor Brundige asked – is there any discussion? There was none. A roll call vote was requested and follows:

VOTE: FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY

HONORABLE HARRISON HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE TUCK HONORABLE HANKINS HONORABLE EDWARDS

AGAINST: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

CITY OF MARTIN CLEAN-UP WEEK APRIL 25-29, 2011

Mayor Brundige announced the City of Martin annual Clean-Up Week will be April 25-29, 2011.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

ADJOURN

Mayor Brundige asked – is there any other business to come before this board tonight, if not is there a motion to adjourn?

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

VOTE:	UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL		
ATTEST:		SIGNED:	
Chris Mathis, City Recorder		Randy Brundige, Mayor	

RB: CM/bh