## MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN MAY 14, 2012 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, May 14, 2012, 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 RANDY EDWARDS, ALDERMAN WARD III HONORABLE TERRY HANKINS, ALDERMAN WARD III

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

Also present: City Recorder Chris Mathis, Director of Parks and Recreation Brian Moore, Fire Chief Russell Schwahn, Public Works Director Billy Wagster, Police Chief David Moore, Community Development Director Brad Thompson, C. E. Weldon Library Director Roberta Peacock, Mr. David Sudberry, Representatives from Agape House Ms. Linda DeBoard, Ms. Bobbi White, and Ms. Denise Mathis, Representative from the Sigma Chi Fraternity Mr. George Daniel, and members of the media Mr. Chris Stockdale and Mr. David Fisher

#### CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION

Mayor Brundige called the May 14<sup>th</sup> regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order. Aldermen Hankins gave the invocation.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Edwards led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**APRIL 09, 2012** 

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the minutes of the April 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting as written and asked if there were any additions or deletions. There were none, therefore a motion was requested and follows:

Alderman Harrison made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 09, 2012 regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Alderman as written, seconded by Alderman Edwards.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

#### LIBRARY

#### DIRECTOR ROBERTA PEACOCK

Director Peacock was present and presented the Library's monthly report and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Director Peacock reported – The Library Board will meet May 21<sup>st</sup> this month instead of our regular meeting date. The Library's annual Summer Reading Program will begin on May 29<sup>th</sup>. Also, Ms. Linda Ramsey is conducting The American Cancer Prevention Study at our library. The study will begin this Tuesday; 3:00 pm till 8:00 pm and will continue through Wednesday, 8:00 am till 2:00 pm. The study will include individuals from age 30 to 65 who have not had cancer and will be a twenty year study. They want to study your lifestyle, eating habits, and exercise habits to see if lifestyle effects cancer.

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR BRAD THOMPSON

Director Thompson was present and presented his monthly report and asked if there were any questions. There were none. A Copy of this report is attached to the minutes.

The Downtown Historic Business District has started their summer program. The Historic District started with GAP last week. It was very successfully. We had a good band and attendance. This next Saturday is Family Night Out which will be in Weldon Park. We will have a band, clowns, and food. This will be a fun time.

#### 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.

Chief Schwahn spoke - I would like to recognize Fireman Joe Smith who recently graduated EMT School at Dyersburg State and has passed his National EMT Registry. Fireman Darren Fisher is scheduled to take his National EMT Registry in the near future.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### **CHIEF DAVID MOORE**

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

Chief Moore announced – Captain Tommy Erwin has just returned from completing an FBI Training program called TLEEDS.

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Chief Moore further reported – I have changed our monthly report by condensing it in hopes of saving a few trees. Please look these over and if it is not what you want we will switch back.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION

#### **DIRECTOR BRIAN MOORE**

Director Moore presented Parks and Recreation's monthly report and asked if anyone had any questions. There were none. A copy of this report is attached to the minutes.

Director Moore reported – in the last month MRC hosted a Special Olympic Tournament, our annual Touch-A-Truck event, softball and baseball tournaments. We also, hosted a Disc Golf tournament which was well attended. Westview High School is wrapping up their sports season at MRC.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS**

#### DIRECTOR BILLY WAGSTER

Director Wagster was present and presented Public Works monthly report and asked if there were any questions. There were none. A copy of the public works' monthly report is attached to the minutes.

Director Wagster reported – Pavement Restoration has done some patch work on our streets in approximately thirty spots. We appreciate you letting us do this because it has really made a difference on our city streets.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### CITY RECORDER CHRIS MATHIS

Recorder Mathis was present and asked if there were any questions, there were none.

Recorder Mathis reported – Sales Tax revenues increased by a healthy amount but several of our expenditures are also up. The revenues are up because the local option sales tax increased due to improved retail sales in Martin. The State shared revenues which are passed down to the city are likewise up.

#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

INSPECTOR BILLY STOUT

Inspector Stout was not present.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

DIRECTOR CELESTE TAYLOR

Director Taylor was not present.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**:

INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION FOR CONSIDERATION THE SECOND AND FINAL READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE O2012-02: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL ZONING ORDINANCE AND MAP FOR MARTIN, TENNESSEE, BY REZONING A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED ON OAKLAND STREET FROM R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-3 (HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL)

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the second and final reading and public hearing of Ordinance O2012-02: An ordinance to amend the Municipal Zoning Ordinance and Map for Martin, Tennessee, by rezoning a tract of land located on Oakland Street from R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to R-3 (High Density Residential).

Recorder Mathis read Ordinance O2012-02. A copy was provided for news media and any interested citizens. A copy follows:

#### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL ZONING ORDINANCE AND MAP FOR MARTIN, TENNESSEE, BY REZONING A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED ON OAKLAND STREET FROM R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-3 (HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL)

- **WHEREAS,** pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 13-7-201 through 13-7-211, the City of Martin has adopted a Municipal Zoning Ordinance; and
- WHEREAS, in accordance with *Tennessee Code Annotated* Sections 13-7-203 and 13-7-204, the Martin Municipal-Regional Planning Commission has recommended the following amendment to the Municipal Zoning Ordinance and Municipal Zoning Map relative to the rezoning of territory; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Martin Mayor and Board of Aldermen has deemed such a rezoning of this territory from R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to R-3 (High Density Residential) to be necessary for the welfare of the residents and property owners thereof this City as a whole; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen has held a public hearing pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated* Section 13-7-203 for the purpose of receiving public comment.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MARTIN MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN:

Section 1. That the Municipal Zoning Map and Zoning Ordinance for Martin, Tennessee be amended by rezoning from R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to R-3 (High Density Residential) the following tract of land located off Oakland Street and further described as:

Weakley County Tax Map 73M, Group B, Parcel 03100

Section 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage, after second and final reading, THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT.

Date Passed First Reading	
Date Passed Second Reading	Date of Public Hearing
ATTESTED:	APPROVED:
Chris Mathis, City Recorder	Randy Brundige, Mayor



Weakley County Tax Map 73M, Group B, Parcel 03100

Mayor Brundige stated – You have heard the reading of the ordinance, I will now open this meeting for a public hearing.

#### **Public Hearing**:

Mayor Brundige opened the public hearing for Ordinance O2012-02: An ordinance to amend the Municipal Zoning Ordinance and Map for Martin, Tennessee, by rezoning a tract of land located on Oakland Street from R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to R-3 (High Density Residential) by asking if there was anyone desiring to speak for or against the ordinance.

Mr. David Sudberry spoke, "I am not necessarily for or against, but I have some questions. Is this the Jerry Lamb property?"

Mayor Brundige answered – No. It is the Agape House property.

Mr. Sudberry spoke, "Agape House. So, when we open this up this property could be used as a fraternity or sorority house?

Mayor Brundige answered – Correct.

Mr. Sudberry spoke, "In talking in some other college towns, they have a strategy that they are moving toward, trying to get all of the sororities and fraternities in a certain area of town to eliminate the problems with the local residents. I realize that this is a mostly college students but when you are living in an apartment you are a residents just like if it is an R-1. You are a resident and you may not be member of that sorority or fraternity and if we were to take strategic plan and move all of these properties in one location they could party hardy all night and not interfere with anybody else but other fraternities or sororities, rather than people that would be considered residents and non-members of that organization. So, I am not for or against. I am just asking the board for their consideration on that maybe we need a strategic plan to forward on this and try to get all the fraternities and sororities in one location. You know a certain row like they do at other universities."

Mayor Brundige thanked Mr. Sudberry.

Mr. George Daniel spoke, "Thank you, Mr. Mayor. George Daniel, advisor to the Sigma Chi Fraternity. Miss Linda DeBoard is here from Agape House to answer any questions from her stand point. We support this because we believe it will be a good move for our fraternity and the community. We also plan to be very good neighbors and I understand about the problems with noise but we will do our best to be good neighbors and comply with whatever codes and laws we need to in order to be good neighbors. Thank you for your consideration. "

Mayor Brundige asked – Is there anyone else to speak for or against this ordinance?

No one spoke.

Mayor Brundige stated - Therefore, I will close the public hearing and reconvened the regular board meeting.

#### **Public Hearing closed**

Mayor Brundige stated – You have heard the reading of Ordinance O2012-02 and the public hearing, do I have a motion?

Alderman Hankins made the motion to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance O2012-02: An ordinance to amend the Municipal Zoning Ordinance and Map for Martin, Tennessee, by rezoning a tract of land located on Oakland Street from R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to R-3 (High Density Residential), seconded by Alderman Tuck.

Mayor Brundige stated – Is there any further discussion? There was none, therefore a roll call vote was requested and follows:

FOR: ALDERMAN NANNEY

ALDERMAN HARRISON ALDERMAN BELOTE ALDERMAN TUCK ALDERMAN HANKINS ALDERMAN EDWARDS

AGAINST: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Brundige declared Ordinance O2012-02 approved on the second and final reading.

#### ANY OTHER OLD BUSINESS:

There was none

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

# ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CITY'S GARBAGE AND BRUSH PICKUP PER RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Mayor Brundige introduced for consideration and discussion a recommendation from the Public Works Committee to advertise for the City's garbage and brush pickup. Do I have a motion to seek bids?

Alderman Nanney made the motion to advertise for the City's garbage and brush pickup, seconded by Alderman Hankins.

Mayor Brundige asked - Is there any discussion? There was none, therefore a voice vote was requested and follows:

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VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

# A REQUEST FROM MR. VAN SWAIM TO DEDICATE COMMONS DRIVE TO THE CITY OF MARTIN TO BE CONSIDERED A CITY STREET WITH A TWO YEAR WARRANTY PER RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Mayor Brundige introduced for consideration a recommendation from the Public Works Committee to dedicate Commons Drive to the City of Martin to be considered a city street with a two year warranty on the street and utilities. Do I have a motion to dedicate this street?

Alderman Hankins made the motion to dedicate Commons Drive to the City of Martin to be considered a city street with a two year warranty, seconded by Alderman Tuck.

Mayor Brundige asked – Are there any questions from the board concerning this? There were none, therefore a voice vote was requested and follows:

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

# APPOINT MS. DEE PRITCHETT TO THE MARTIN HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSION FOR A FIVE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 31, 2017, REPLACING MR. JEFF THOMPSON

Mayor Brundige introduced for consideration the appointment of Ms. Dee Pritchett to the Martin Housing Authority Commission for a five year term to expire May 31, 2017. She is replacing Mr. Jeff Thompson who is moving. Do I have a motion to appoint Ms. Pritchett to this commission?

Alderman Belote made the motion to appoint Ms. Dee Pritchett to the Martin Housing Authority Commission for a five year term to expire May 31, 2017, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

Mayor Brundige asked – Is there any discussion? There was none, therefore a voice vote was requested and follows:

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

#### CALL FOR ELECTION: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 06, 2012

Mayor Brundige explained – Tuesday, November 06, 2012 is the next scheduled city election. We will need to elect three aldermen, one from each ward. I need a motion to issue a call for the

November 6, 2012 City election to the Weakley County Election Commission. A copy of the letter which will be sent to the Election Commission follows:

May 15, 2012

Ms. Barbara Castleman Administrator of Elections WEAKLEY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION 135 Poplar Street Dresden, TN 38225

Dear Ms. Castleman:

The City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen voted unanimously Tuesday, May 14, 2012, in their regular board meeting to "Call for a City Election" and we respectfully request that the Weakley County Election Commission place the City's election on the November ballot. We will need to elect one alderman from Ward I for a four-year term, one alderman from Ward II for a four-year term, and one alderman from Ward III for a four-year term.

Please publish the required legal election notices in the Weakley County Press.

Thank you and if you have any questions, please feel free to call this office.

Sincerely,

CITY OF MARTIN

Randy Brundige, Mayor

RB/cm

Alderman Belote made the motion allow Mayor Brundige to call for City Election, Tuesday, November 06, 2012 and notify the Weakley County Election Commission, seconded by Alderman Harrison.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

Mayor Brundige stated – The city election is called.

## TENNESSEE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE ANNUAL CONFERENCE: KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 12<sup>TH</sup>

Mayor Brundige announced – The Tennessee Municipal League Annual Conference will be held in Knoxville, Tennessee June 10<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### DATE FOR CITY BOARD MEETING

Mayor Brundige announced – The Informal City Board will meet Tuesday, June 05, 2012 and the regular City Board will meet Monday, June 11, 2012 at 5:15 pm in the City's courtroom.

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS		
There was none		
ADJOURN		
Mayor Brundige asked – is there a motion to	adjourn?	
Alderman Nanney made the motion to adjour	rn, seconded by Alderman Hankins.	
VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL		
ATTEST:	SIGNED:	
Chris Mathis, CPA	Randy Brundige,	
City Recorder	Mayor	
RB: CM/bh		