

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

October 8, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held on October 8, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center.

Mayor Sharon Goldsworthy was present and presiding.

The following Aldermen were present: Mark Billingsley, John Drinnon, Greg Marcom and Mike Palazzolo. Alderman Ernest Chism was absent. Staff present: Patrick Lawton, George Brogdon, Kristen Geiger, Andy Pouncey, Bo Mills, Ralph Gabb, Chief Richard Hall, Chief John Selberg, Butch Eder, Pam Beasley, Michael Stoll, Susan Hopson, Lisa Piefer and Dotty Johnson.

Call to Order

Mayor Sharon Goldsworthy called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Invocation

Community Services Division Director George Brogdon gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Marcom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Goldsworthy stated the Board had unanimously agreed to put an Add-On (Electrical Distribution – Radio Storage Buildings) and to move Number 10 – Germantown Community Theatre FY13 Grant to the consent agenda.

Motion by Mr. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Drinnon, to approve the agenda as amended.

ROLL CALL: Marcom–yes, Drinnon–yes, Palazzolo–yes, Billingsley–yes. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes.

Motion by Mr. Marcom, seconded by Mr. Drinnon, to approve the minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting held September 24, 2012 as written.

ROLL CALL: Marcom–yes, Drinnon–yes, Palazzolo–yes, Billingsley–yes. Motion approved.

Shelby County Mayor Mark Luttrell

Mayor Goldsworthy introduced Shelby County Mayor Mark Luttrell who addressed the citizens of Germantown and gave a brief “state of the county”. He stated the county last year was 1.7 billion in debt but this year it was down to 1.4 billion. Financially the county is stable with a AA+ financial rating.

The challenges for next year include the four year reappraisal which is expected to be down and will have a significant impact on the county and will have to be addressed. Also included are the costs of a school district and the juvenile court system.

Mayor Luttrell stated he was very much opposed to county-wide local option sales tax at this time. He felt it was premature and there were several questions that must be addressed by the school board. By imposing a tax now, to address anticipated short comings when we don’t know what the short comings will be, is not good budget management.

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As far as economic development, he stated he had been discussing the issue of high airfare fees with the airport and with representatives from Arkansas, Mississippi and Tennessee. They were working for some type of approach to improve and enhance competition at the airport that would have a positive impact on the cost of airline fares. It will require some long-term planning and enhanced competition.

Mayor Luttrell stated they were working very closely with the all the Chambers of Commerce throughout Shelby County to gain by-in as far as economic initiatives.

Mayor Luttrell responded to questions from Board:

The merger between Shelby County and the City of Memphis Police and Fire is off and will not happen.

The emission control program is under question and before he would even consider picking up that process, he must be sure the need is there. The City of Memphis plans to drop this program next year but he wants to make sure it will make a difference before Shelby County picks up the program.

Mayor Luttrell stated there were many ways of educating children and we must stay focused less on structure and more on what it takes to educate our children.

Citizens to be Heard

Brent Davis from Germantown Community Theatre, 3037 Forest Hill Irene Rd., gave a brief recap of last year (the 40th season) in the areas of education and outreach programming.

Mr. Davis introduced the new education director Ms. Leigh Ech who gave some of her background in programming.

Mark Dely, 8384 Silverthorn Cove, came forward and representing the Germantown Baseball League thanked the Board for the renovations to the fields. He stated over 1000 events had been held last year at Cameron Brown Park. He also thanked staff who had worked to see that the fields were up to standard.

Professional Services Agreement Southern Ave. WTP Aeration Towers

Public Services Director Bo Mills stated the aeration towers at the Southern Avenue Plant were built about 30 and 36 years ago and the design standards did not include seismic design at that time. Staff feared that if there was a seismic event these aeration towers could collapse and effectively kill the ability to produce water at the Southern Treatment Plant.

Alan & Hoshall designed the towers when they were originally built and did work on retrofitting the same type towers.

Motion by Mr. Drinnon, seconded by Mr. Palazzolo, to authorize the Mayor to enter into a professional services agreement with Alan & Hoshall in the amount of \$124,000.00 for the development and design of a Seismic Retrofit and Refurbishment for the standing aeration towers at Southern Ave. Water Treatment Plant.

ROLL CALL: Marcom–yes, Drinnon–yes, Palazzolo–yes, Billingsley–yes. Motion approved.

FY13 Asphalt Rejuvenation Contract

Mr. Mills explained that this was an annual program for pavement rejuvenation. The process is a maintenance function that will extend the pavement life thus extending the pavement cycle. The process restores the natural pavement oils that are eroded by sunlight, traffic and weather. The restoration process to the street surface helps to keep it flexible while sealing it from water intrusion and has been very successful in extending street life and reducing the maintenance and resurfacing costs.

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The City of Germantown would like to request the authorization from the Board to use the bid prices approved by the Town of Collierville's Board that will benefit both communities logistically and financially due to the larger volume request.

Motion by Mr. Marcom, seconded by Mr. Drinnon, to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Pavement Technology, Inc., for the annual pavement rejuvenation program in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

ROLL CALL: Marcom–yes, Drinnon–yes, Palazzolo-yes, Billingsley-yes. Motion approved.

CONSENT

Theatre Rigging

The aircraft cable is from the original install and was not rated for use or incorrect installation has been observed. Failing to replace the old rigging will eventually lead to a catastrophic failure of one or more of the lineset.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of theatre rigging supplies from Web Rigging Supplies in the amount of \$10,897.80.

Miller Farms Sewer & Pumping Station Construction Inspection Contract

This contract will provide the necessary contractual inspection for the construction of the sewer lift pump station at the western terminus of Apple Valley Rd. and the installation of the force main and the connection to the City of Memphis outfall at Wolf River Blvd.

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to enter into a professional services agreement with Allen & Hoshall in the amount of \$33,750.00 for Resident Inspection Services required for the Miller Farms Sewer & Pumping Station Construction Inspection and approve Budget Adjustment No. 13-17.

Permit for a Balloon Sign for Re/Max at the Race for the Cure

Re/Max proposed to identify their involvement in the Race for the Cure with an inflatable cold air balloon with their corporate name and colors. The balloon is to be 25 feet high and will be staked to the ground.

MOTION: To approve a special permit for a temporary inflatable balloon sign for Re/Max at the Race for the Cure Expo on October 27, 2012.

Stormwater Fee Refund

The City has billed Corporate Gardens incorrectly for stormwater that was being paid by the owners of the property. The City billed both the owners of the property and Corporate Gardens for the same amount of acreage of 13.76.

MOTION: To approve a refund in the amount of \$7,218.24 to Corporate Gardens on stormwater that was billed and paid in error by the owners of Corporate Gardens Homeowners Association.

Cameron Brown Baseball Field Renovations – Change Order 1

After a significant amount of necessary grading was completed, two of the fields at Cameron Brown revealed a sharp, potentially hazardous slope down the first base path. After meeting with the contractor representatives, it was agreed that the following changes should be made: removal of back stop fence and installation of a concrete retaining wall on Field #1 and Field #3 to enable additional drainage material and fill dirt to be placed to satisfy the proper grade. All fences and gates affected by the construction will be adjusted and reinstalled per specifications at a cost of \$9,800.00.

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MOTION: To authorize Change Order No. 1 to the contract with Ambassador Construction in the amount of \$9,800.00 for additional retaining wall construction on Field #1 and #3 at the Cameron Brown Baseball Field Complex.

Germantown Community Theatre FY13 Grant

This is the eighth year the Germantown Community Theatre has offered programming to Germantown youth through funding from the City of Germantown. The Parks and Recreation Department provides oversight to the annual program plan to ensure that goals and objectives are met. Brent Davis, Executive Director for GCT, will be present to make a brief report to the Board.

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement for the FY13 budget year between the City of Germantown and the Germantown Community Theatre and to authorize the budgeted payment of \$38,250.00 for this purpose.

Electrical Distribution – Radio Storage Buildings – ADD-ON

The current radio system used by the Fire and Police Departments will receive upgrades at the Johnson Road Park radio tower site and the Municipal Center radio tower site. Electrical distribution for the Morgan Woods site will be a new installation from existing available circuitry. At the Johnson Road Park site, the existing electrical circuitry will be relocated. The radio towers at each park site will have radio equipment storage buildings that require specific electrical services and grounding as per the radio equipment installer and manufacturer.

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Hi-Tech Electric in the amount of \$28,570.00 for the installation of electrical distribution serving radio towers at Morgan Woods Park and Johnson Road Park.

Motion by Mr. Drinnon, seconded by Mr. Palazzolo, to approve the consent agenda as stated.

ROLL CALL: Marcom–yes, Drinnon–yes, Palazzolo–yes, Billingsley–yes. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Sharon Goldsworthy, Mayor

Dotty Johnson, City Clerk/Recorder