

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

August 24, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held on Monday, August 24, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center.

Mayor Mike Palazzolo was present and presiding.

The following aldermen were present: John Barzizza, Mary Anne Gibson, Dave Klevan, Forrest Owens, and Rocky Janda. Staff present: Patrick Lawton, Debra Wiles, Chief Richard Hall, Fire Chief John Selberg, Paul Chandler, Ralph Gabb, Reynold Douglas, Daniel Page, Cameron Ross, Pam Beasley, Butch Eder, Bo Mills, Steve Wilensky, Lisa Piefer and Dotty Johnson.

Call to Order

Mayor Palazzolo called the meeting to order.

Invocation

Parks & Recreation Director Pam Beasley gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Forrest Owens led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

The Board unanimously agreed to defer number 8 – Project Development Contract 1198 and number 9 – Project Development Contract 1199.

Motion by Ms. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Barzizza, to approve the agenda as amended.

ROLL CALL: Barzizza-yes, Gibson-yes, Klevan-yes, Owens-yes, Janda-yes. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes.

Motion by Mr. Janda, seconded by Mr. Klevan, to approve the minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting held August 10, 2015 as written.

ROLL CALL: Barzizza-yes, Gibson-yes, Klevan-yes, Owens-yes, Janda-yes. Motion approved.

Citizens to be Heard

There were no citizens to come forward to speak.

Mayor Palazzolo introduced Representative Mark White who came forward and spoke on some of the bills. He congratulated the Board for such a well run community. He chairs the subcommittee on Education and felt the Education Reform is so very important to all the communities. Without good schools, there is not good economic development. He felt that community pride in the schools and education reform are vital.

The Board thanked Rep. White for all his work on education and for “closing the gap”.

In response to questions from the aldermen, Rep. White stated he felt the Guns in the Parks Bill would be revisited. He did not feel the Hall Tax would be passed anywhere in the near future, and that higher standards is what the Governor’s Task Force on Standards was working toward. When asked what they were doing to keep higher education costs down, especially at the college level, Rep. White stated one of the things they were doing at the University of Memphis was allowing the counties in the surrounding states to come to the University of Memphis with instate tuition. That will bring about \$4 million to the University’s budget.

The Mayor thanked Rep. White for his assistance in forming the Germantown Municipal School District and invited him to attend the CEO Round Table that is held on a quarterly basis in Germantown.

CONSENT

Repair to High Service Pump #2 at Johnson Road Water Plant

Staff requested two local vendors make an assessment and submit bids for repair and restoration of service pump #2 because it had been locking up. Both companies found, in order to restore the pump to maximum efficiency, a new bowl, column assembly, pump shaft and bearing are required per the bid documents. Public Works staff is requesting the award of this contract to NWS to make the repairs and reinstall the pump in the amount of \$14,011.00.

MOTION: To contract with National Water Services, LLC for repairs to High Service Pump #2 at the Johnson Road Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$14,011.00.

PEG Distribution to GMSD

With the formation of the Germantown Municipal Schools, one of the goals was to provide an instructional television program for students attending Houston High School. At the expiration of the Access Together contract on July 1, 2014, between the City and GHS-TV, the Public, Education and Government (PEG) origination facility was reassigned to Houston High. The PEG funds, in the amount of \$393,769.70, are to be used for capital equipment by GMSD.

MOTION: To authorize the transfer of funds from the PEG collected by the City to Germantown Municipal School District in the amount of \$393,769.70.

Shelby County Books from Birth Grant

The Shelby County Books from Birth program is the local affiliate of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. The program provides age-appropriate books for all children from birth to age five. This item will authorize the payment of \$12,135.00 to the Shelby County Books from Birth program.

MOTION: To authorize payment in the form of a grant to Shelby County Books from Birth in the amount of \$12,135.00.

Annual Water System Maintenance Fee- TDEC

This fee of \$18,141.50 is for the State Facility Maintenance Fee which is collected from all public water systems in the State of Tennessee as established by the Water Quality Control Board. The fee provides funding for a technical staff, which consults with local utility officials on water system issues.

MOTION: To authorize payment to TDEC in the amount of \$18,141.50 for the State Facility Maintenance Fee as established by the Water Quality Control Board.

Purchase – Brush Chipper

This is a replacement for a 1997 Vermeer Model 935 Brush Chipper which has exceeded its dependable life cycle and parts availability is an issue. The new machine is a heavier industrial type machine which can accommodate larger and hard to manage material thus increasing production while reducing trimming and additional chainsaw work.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of a 2015 Bandit Brush Chipper Model 990HD from Williams Equipment & Supply Company in the amount of \$36,822.80 and to approve budget adjustment No. 16-11. In addition, authorization is requested to declare unit 579, a 1997 Vermeer Model 946 Brush Chipper, as surplus property.

Purchase – Backhoe

This is a replacement for a 1999 Case 580 Super L. Backhoe utilized by the Water Department. The new machine is a 2015 Caterpillar Backhoe Model 420F2 from Thompson Machinery Company in the amount of \$103,090.67.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of a 2015 Caterpillar Backhoe Model 420F2 from Thompson Machinery Company in the amount of \$103,090.67. In addition, authorization is requested to declare unit 723, a 1999 Case 580 Super L. Backhoe, as surplus property.

Purchase – RTV

The vehicle will be used for general maintenance at the Farm Park but can also be used in other areas of the City during special events. This is not a replacement vehicle and will become a part of the City's equipment and fleet inventory.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of a new Cushman Hauler Pro 72 from 4 Seasons Equipment Company in the amount of \$13,155.09.

Purchase – Portable Radio for Police Department

Members of the Police Department are issued Motorola portable radios to stay in constant contact with each other, supervisors and dispatch for their and others safety. With the addition of new police officers this fiscal year, there is a need to increase the amount of portable radios. The cost for each radio will be \$2,047.75 for a total of seven at \$14,334.25.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of Motorola Portable Radios, per the TN SWC No. 418, for a total cost of \$14,334.15.

Donation – Germantown Fire Department

Donations have been made to the Fire Department totaling \$475.00. The donations are to be used in the Learning about Fire Safety (LAFS) educational program.

MOTION: To accept donations in the total amount of \$475.00 to support the Fire Department LAFS program and to approve Budget Adjustment No. 16-3.

Motion by Mr. Janda, seconded by Mr. Klevan, to accept the consent agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL: Barzizza-yes, Gibson-yes, Klevan-yes, Owens-yes, Janda-yes. Motion approved.

Project Development Contract 1198 – Thornwood PUD, Phase 2 (Bob Richards Jewelry) - DEFERRED

Project Development Contract 1199 – Thornwood PUD, Phase 3 (Hampton Inn) - DEFERRED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Mike Palazzolo, Mayor

Dotty Johnson, City Clerk/Recorder