

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

April 11, 2011

A regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held on April 11, 2011 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, Ernest Chism, John Drinnon, Greg Marcom and Mike Palazzolo. Staff present: Patrick Lawton, Tom Cates, George Brogdon, Andy Pouncey, Kristen Geiger, Chief Richard Hall, Chief Dennis Wolf, Ralph Gabb, Michael Stoll, Pam Beasley, Tim Gwaltney, Jonathan Smith and Dotty Johnson.

Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation

Finance and General Services Division Director Kristen Geiger gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Ernest Chism led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Goldsworthy stated that staff had requested to add Emergency Repair on Traffic Signals to the agenda.

Alderman Palazzolo asked to move item #13-Public Education Governmental Fund Disbursement to the consent agenda.

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

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

Approval of Minutes

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes.

Motion by Mr. Chism, seconded by Mr. Drinnon, to approve the minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting held March 28, 2011.

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

Teacher of the Month Award

Mayor Goldsworthy, Alderman Chism and representatives from the Education Commission presented Ms. Angie Gilland, the library and media specialist at Houston High School with the Teacher of the Month Award for the month of March. State Farm Agent Joe Ford, as sponsor for the award this month, presented Ms. Gilland with a check.

The April award was presented to Ms. Katie Grashot a kindergarten teacher at Riverdale School. A check was presented to Ms. Grashot from Woodland Tree Service.

Youth Excellence Award

Ms. Sophie Davidoff, a senior at Hutchison School, was presented with the student award. Her plaque was sponsored by Traditions.

Recognition of Court Volunteers

Mayor Goldsworthy asked Judge Raymond Clift, Judge Robert Brannon, City Prosecutor Joe Lee Wyatt and Court Clerk Bill Price to come forward. The following Reserve Police Officers were recognized for their hard work and dedication to the City Court system.

The Mayor stated that the Municipal Court service is a prime illustration of the City's public private working relationships with assistance of our Reserve Officers and City staff. Through their assistance, court operations run smoothly, effectively and provide a customer service focus towards those individuals to whom we serve.

Lt. Angie Lewis came forward and introduced the Reserve Officers present: Eric Dahler, Charles Smith, Leiland Duke, Brendan McKessy, Barry Baker, Jim Von Bergen, George Freeman, Don Reber, Charles Heotis, Lawson Horton, and George Hernandez. She stated there were several more but they were either sick or out of town. She stated this had been a collective effort for these officers and anytime they have been called, they have responded.

City Prosecutor Joe Lee Wyatt stated that these Reserve Officers by volunteering their time, help the Judges, the Clerks and the prosecutors. They had saved the Court many hours and have relieved the concerns that the Judges, Prosecutors and Clerks had about regarding safety.

He also thanked Lt. Angie Lewis for her coordinating and organization of the Reserve Officers and having the Court protected.

Citizens to be Heard

No citizens came forward.

PUBLIC HEARING – 2011-5 Amendment to Chapter 14, Permanent Signs – Second Reading

Alderman Marcom asked to be recused because of his relationship with one of the companies. Alderman Marcom left the dais.

Economic and Development Services Director Andy Pouncey stated this amendment will allow the name of the management company or owner, and related information, to be placed on the sign that identifies the name of the project. The DRC voted to recommend approval to allow a project sign to include leasing information (name of owner or leasing/management company, phone number, type of land use), but without increasing the allowable size of the project sign. The proposed amendment will not allow the granting of exceptions to any sign regulations. He asked to delay the third and final reading to May 9, 2011.

Mayor Goldsworthy opened the public hearing. Having no one come forward, the public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Palazzolo, seconded by Mr. Chism, to approve Ordinance No. 2011-5, regarding amendments to permanent project signs on Second Reading.

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

Alderman Marcom returned to the dais.

Sewer Pipeline Rehabilitation

Public Services Director Bo Mills stated the City had utilized the cured in place pipe rehabilitation for sixteen years. The process restores pipe integrity, improves sewer and drainage flows and seals out ground water infiltration with minimum disruption of work sites and no interruption of service to the citizens of Germantown.

Motion by Mr. Billingsley, seconded by Mr. Marcom, to approve funding for a contract with Reynolds Inliner, LLC, for the annual pipeline rehabilitation project, in an amount not to exceed \$270,000.00.

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

Asphalt Paving Program for 2011

Mr. Mills stated the Public Services Department has a preventative street maintenance program to annually grade, evaluate and schedule streets throughout the City for milling and/or asphalt resurfacing. The annual contract also includes the repair of traffic loops, replacement of water valves, sewer manhole risers and tops, utility boxes and foundation base repairs. In total, approximately 6 miles of streets are projected for the FY11 contract. Additional funding has been included in this contract to mill, stripe and resurface the final 1” streets in the Mimosa Gardens Capital Improvement Project.

Motion by Mr. Marcom, seconded by Mr. Palazzolo, to contract with APAC-Tennessee, Inc. for the annual FY11 Asphalt Paving and Milling contract in an amount not to exceed \$868,442.50 and to approve Budget Adjustment #11-108.

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

Public Education Governmental Fund Disbursement – Moved to Consent Agenda

CONSENT

Purchase – Concrete Mix

This item is for the annual purchase of concrete mix to be used as requested and scheduled by the Street and Storm Water Maintenance Division. The mix is used for street, stormwater, grounds and utility maintenance repairs.

MOTION: To purchase 1,000 cubic yards of 4000 PSI concrete mix from Memphis Ready Mix in the amount of \$76,000.00.

Exercise Equipment for Fire Department (DW)

Fire Department policy requires fire fighters to maintain, through a combination of aerobic and anaerobic exercises, an acceptable level of fitness required for emergency operations. The cardiovascular equipment to be used (4 elliptical machines and 4 treadmills will be used to aid members in achieving the required exercises during their regular duty shift.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of four (4) treadmills and one (1) elliptical machine from Total Fitness Shop in the amount of \$12,256.000, and three (3) elliptical machines from Fitness Equipment Sales in the amount of \$5,325.00 for a total of \$17,581.00.

Overtime Reimbursement – Police Department

The Germantown Police Department has an officer assigned to the FBI Joint Safe Streets Task Force and the Secret Service Task Force. The officer usually works overtime in the performance of his duties. The FBI SSTF and the Secret Service TF reimburses any overtime that the officer receives while carrying out his duties.

MOTION: To recognize overtime reimbursement from the Federal Department of Justice and to approve Budget Adjustment #11-106.

Civic Support – “Alive at 25”

This program began in 1996. The course is five hours in length and taught daily for one week at a time. Under the funding proposal between the city of Germantown and the University of Memphis, the University provides all course materials and the services of a qualified instructor for a fee of \$19,250.00. Funds for the Alive at 25 Program come from the Germantown Automated Enforcement Program.

MOTION: to authorize the payment of \$19,250.00 to the University of Memphis Office of Continuing Education for the implementation of the Alive at 25 course for Houston and Germantown High Schools.

Tree Board Appointments

Since the amendment to the Tree Board there are two vacancies to be filled. Mr. Paul Bruns has been in the nursery business for many years and Ms. LeAnn Byrum holds a certificate for Master Forester. These are staggered two year terms and Mr. Bruns will serve until December 2013 and Ms. Byrum until December 2012.

MOTION: To approve the appointments of Mr. Paul Bruns and Ms. LeAnn Byrum to the Germantown Tree Board.

Public Education Governmental Fund Disbursement – Moved from Regular Agenda

Comcast and AT&T were granted rights within the City to provide cable service to the citizens of the City. As part of the franchise agreement, Comcast and AT&T are required to pay a PEG access support fee to the City and in turn the City remits the funds to the designated PEG station.

MOTION: To approve budget adjustment number 11-102 increasing the FY11 revenue and expenditure budget in the amount of \$92,974.89 for PEG money received from Comcast and AT&T and remitted to the PEG station, Germantown Community Television Foundation.

Add-On – Emergency Repair on Traffic Signals

The storm event of April 4, 2011 produced wind gusts in excess of 50 miles per hour that damaged six (6) intersections throughout the City. A total of sixteen (16) signal heads required complete replacement in order to maintain safe and efficient movement of traffic.

MOTION: To authorize payment to DeSoto County Electric, Inc. for emergency traffic signal repairs in the amount of \$34,656.87 due to storm damage that occurred on April 4, 2011.

Motion by Mr. Chism, seconded by Mr. Drinnon, to accept the consent agenda as read.

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

ADJOURNMENT

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