

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

July 9, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen was held on July 9, 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, Ernest Chism, John Drinnon, Greg Marcom and Mike Palazzolo. Staff present: Patrick Lawton, George Brogdon, Bo Mills, Tim Gwaltney, Chief Richard Hall, Chief John Selberg, Butch Eder, Tony Fischer, Susan Hopson and Dotty Johnson.

Call to Order

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

Invocation

Community Services Division Director George Brogdon gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Alderman Greg Marcom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

During the executive session, the Board agreed to move items number 7 and 8 to the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Mr. Drinnon, seconded by Mr. Marcom, to move items number 7 and 8 to the Consent Agenda.

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

Approval of Minutes

There were two corrections to the minutes. Two minor typos were reported by Alderman Billingsley.

Motion by Mr. Drinnon, seconded by Mr. Marcom, to approve the minutes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting held June 23, 2012 as amended.

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

Citizens to be Heard

Richard Vosburg, of 8365 Silver Thorne Cove, came forward and expressed his gratitude to the Aldermen and the Mayor for the progress that had been made toward the municipal school system for Germantown. He stated the citizens are seeking to speak in a referendum and the actions the Board had taken in pursuing this action had been a credit to the City. He stated the Mayor had done an excellent job in speaking for the community. He thanked the Board and the Mayor.

Mayor Goldsworthy thanked everyone for their confidence and appreciated everyone's support.

Ken Hoover, of 3040 Sandy Creek Drive, stated he spoke on behalf of the 1500 members of his Germantown Municipal School Facebook page. He read some comments that had been written in the past four days praising the Board for fighting for our children. He stated he appreciated all the Board had done.

Mayor Goldsworthy stated she was merely the mouthpiece for the Board and that the Board determines the policy and the direction of how to conduct the City's business. The ability of the Mayor to represent the City as a spokesman only works if there is confidence and full support from the Board and it had been

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a privilege to be serving with these five persons for the unity and sense of community that had existed throughout this entire discussion. She stated it only works when everyone stands together.

Professional Services Contract – Board of Mayor and Aldermen Retreat – Moved to Consent

Professional Services Agreement – Fisher and Arnold – Design of Collapsed Culver – Moved to Consent

CONSENT

PEG Funds

Comcast and AT&T were granted rights within the City of Germantown to provide cable service to the citizens. 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 a designated PEG station.

MOTION: To approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$45,258.71, which was received from Comcast and AT&T, to the designated PEG station Germantown Community Television Foundation, and approve Budget Adjustment No. 12-193.

AEGIS MSP Software Upgrade for Computer Aided Dispatch – Change Order 1 - DEFERRED

Acceptance of FY10 UASI Grant

The Memphis Urban Area has received a grant through the Department of Homeland Security Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Program. The budget for the UASI Grant includes funds approved for the local municipalities within Shelby County.

MOTION: To accept the FY10 Urban Areas Security Initiative Homeland Security reimbursement grant in the amount of \$78,554.00, and approve Budget Adjustment No. 13-01.

Professional Services Contract – Board of Mayor and Aldermen Retreat – Moved from Reg. Agenda

In February, the Board was involved in a planning retreat to review the Vision 2020 Plan, test the City's vision, mission and core values, and update the focus areas. The Board agreed to meet again midyear to assess the progress toward achieving the vision.

Convergent HRS, LLC and its principals, Spence Byrum and Lee Flowers, provided consulting and facilitation services during the retreat. They have submitted a proposal to facilitate the August 2012 progress meeting and the annual retreat in January 2013.

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Convergent HRS, LLC in the amount of \$25,000.00 to provide consulting and facilitation services for the Board of Mayor and Aldermen during the retreat to be held in August 2012 and January 2013.

Professional Services Agreement – Fisher and Arnold – Design of Collapsed Culvert – Moved from Reg. Agenda

Norfolk Southern Railroad notified the City of a large sink hole adjacent to the railroad track at West Street. Subsequent investigations revealed that a 24" storm water pipe that runs under the railroad track had partially collapsed. The railroad has declined to accept any responsibility for repairing the stormwater pipe. Regardless of the responsibility, the pipe repair needs to be addressed before it causes a major problem. To that end, an engineering study needs to be conducted to evaluate technical and economical alternatives to correct the problem.

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Staff is proposing to contract with Fisher & Arnold, Inc. to conduct the engineering study including evaluating some options.

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor to enter into a professional services contract with Fisher & Arnold, Inc. for engineering services related to a culvert failure under the Norfolk Southern Railroad at West Street in the amount of \$10,600.00.

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

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

Alderman Palazzolo stated that Officer Ben Sharp had recently graduated from the MPD Basic Technical School and had received the most outstanding physical fitness award. He expressed the Board's congratulations for Ben's fine efforts.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Sharon Goldsworthy, Mayor

Dotty Johnson, City Clerk/Recorder