

Minutes Meeting September 8, 2009

Meeting called to order by Mayor Jerry Miller.

Roll call: Jerry Miller, Jackie Blankenship, William Pogue, Dale Bailey and Nadine Crisp.

Approval of minutes as written

A motion was made by Pogue/Crisp to approve minutes as written. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Abstain: Bailey.

Approval to pay bills and make necessary transfers

A motion was made by Crisp/Blankenship to pay bills and make necessary transfers. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

John Cantrell-Citizen Comment

Wondering why the board feels the need to hire an administrator? Cantrell asked if a town meeting could be held to have the citizens that elected the alderman to speak for the people to see if the citizens want a city administrator.

John Cantrell asked why the city employees did not get a raise.

Fire Report-Chief Crump

See report.

A motion was made by Blankenship/Bailey to change the way the volunteer firefighters are paid and start paying quarterly starting January 2010. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

A motion was made by Bailey/Crisp to send either 4 or 6 volunteer firefighter to training at Logan Rogersville per Chief Crump's recommendation. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

Mayor's Report

Jerry talked to Brandon Frantz. He said if the city set the forms, put in the rock for the new pavilion at the south park. A motion was made by DB/NC. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

Discussed what type of lighting for the new pavilion at the south park.

Discussed shutting the gazebo down at 9:00 pm unless it is reserved. Order signs for no loitering at gazebo.

Tables for gazebo were discussed. Check with Jamco Builders. Two long tables for food were discussed.

Alderman's Report

Spray or cut weeds at south shop. Mitch said weeds had been sprayed.

Also Wood Concepts property weeds need to be cut down.

Ditch area off of Cordie Street to Cantrell Street near Roy Cantrell's property needs the weeds mowed too.

Get price on bonding for City Clerk, City Treasurer and Administrator, Mayor for \$150,000.

Who will be cleaning restrooms during Apple Festival? Toby Sanders will be taking care of them.

Asked that the weeds around square be sprayed or cut before festival.

In the last minutes it said the Limo plant was going to be shown on Saturday, did anything come of that? Jerry said the people wanted to get with his people to look at the ceiling height.

Was the newsletter put in the newspaper? Yes.

And would it save money if the city doesn't give turkeys to employees and used that money to include the fire department in the Christmas dinner. The turkeys that are given to employees are not purchased with city funds. The employees have an employee fund that the turkeys are purchased with. All of the aldermen said they didn't really want a turkey.

A motion was made by Blankenship/Bailey to take a 10 minute recess then go to executive session.

Ayes: All. Nays: None.

A motion was made by Pogue/Crisp to return to regular session. Ayes: All.

A motion was made by Crisp/Pogue to send Duane Sanders to police officer classes to obtain his 650 hour accreditation, sign a contract for a 3 year commitment to the police department at board's decision, if he leaves before the 3 year committal period he agrees to pay the city \$1600 per year and he puts in 40 hours which includes classes and work. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

A motion was by Blankenship/Bailey to adjourn. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

Jerry Miller, Mayor

Doylita McCormack, City Clerk