

The City of Dyer Board of Mayor and Alderpersons met in regular session Monday, June 9, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall. Those present were Mayor Scott Jewell; Alderpersons – Judy Baker, Bitsy Gilliland, Nathan Reed, Roger Gray, Robert Johnson, Cody Childress, George Fisher, and Attorney Bill Barron.

Motion made by Roger Gray seconded by Nathan Reed to approve the May 12, 2008 meeting minutes as written. Motion carried with all ayes.

Megan Hurley, who lives at 400 East College, spoke about the storm water drainage ditch that divides the property between her and her neighbor. Megan advised that on the West side of her house, there are holes where the ground is sinking. These holes are up to eight feet deep. She advised that these large holes are thirteen feet from her house. She has a toddler and is afraid that her child or any other child, unknowing of the holes, might fall into these holes. She asked if there was anything that the City of Dyer could do to resolve this situation since it is part of the storm drainage ditch.

Rex Mercer, Megan's grandfather, also spoke concerning the sink holes at this residence. Mr. Mercer reported that the City had put concrete at this storm drainage ditch, but now the concrete has fallen in.

Jimmy Landrum also spoke concerning the drainage ditch at 400 East College. Mr. Landrum advised that this area is a catch basin for storm water. He related that this has been an ongoing problem for several years.

This issue concerning the storm drainage ditch at 400 East College was referred to committee. A committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 16, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Jimmy Landrum also spoke concerning unsightly Yard Sale signs that are attached on telephone poles around town. Mr. Landrum believes that if citizens advertise yard sales by placing signs on poles, they should have to take the signs down after the yard sale. This is becoming unsightly. Mr. Landrum also advised that the Mini Park needs some dirt to fill in holes.

In the Mayor's Report, Mayor Jewell read a letter of resignation from Alderperson Tom Lannom. In his letter, Tom stated that "due to present and future family commitments I regretfully resign as an alderman of Dyer effective June 9, 2008. I want to thank all of the citizens of Dyer for giving me an opportunity to serve them in the alderman capacity and I am looking forward to serving the citizens of Dyer in the future".

Motion made by Reed seconded by Baker to accept Tom Lannom's resignation. Motion carried with all ayes.

Mayor Jewell announced that he will not seek re-election for a second term. He has accepted the position of full-time pastor of Beech Grove Baptist Church and wishes to direct his time and efforts to this new endeavor. Mayor Jewell reminded others that they may now file petitions for public office in the next election.

In the Street Department report, Marc Estes stated that the Street department had replaced all of the street signs that were missing. Nathan Reed advised that one of the new street signs on Elm Street is already missing.

Severn Trent employee, William Caton, advised that the West State Steel lift station experienced problems on June 9, 2008. The lift station was stopped up and had to be pumped. The cause of the problem was found to be that grease, gloves, and rags had stopped up the pumps. This caused a bypass in the sewage system. Approximately 30,000 gallons of raw sewage spilled into a neighboring field. William advised that this incident was immediately reported to the State of Tennessee. This issue will be further discussed in the Public Works Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, June 16, 2008 at 6:00 a.m.

In unfinished business related to the purchase of a new vehicle for Meals On Wheels, Police Chief Brad Lindsey reported that he was having difficulty finding an adequate vehicle through the State Surplus. His recommendation was to find a vehicle locally to purchase. The Alderpersons asked Mayor Jewell to find a vehicle, not to exceed \$5,000.00, for the Meals On Wheels program to be purchased in this fiscal year.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Robert Johnson to approve PO 5374 to Area Wide Communications for \$950.25 for two fire pagers and one radio. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by George Fisher to approve PO 5380 to 10-33 Equipment for \$1,431.00 for the purchase of three SCBA bottles for the Fire Department. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Roger Gray to approve PO 5375 to Newbern Machine & Welding for \$465.00 for repairs to a gearbox at the WasteWater Plant. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Judy Baker to approve PO 5376 to Higdon Electric for \$446.38 for repairs to a lift station. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Judy Baker to approve PO 5385 to Stuart Irby Co. for \$885.20 for light bulbs for the ball fields. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Robert Johnson to approve PO 5392 to Brann & Whittemore Inc. for \$457.00 for the calibration of flowmeters at the Waste Water Plant. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Cody Childress to approve PO 5394 to Tops Business Forms for \$660.00 for blank utility bills. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Robert Johnson to approve PO 5364 to Bates Bearing Co. for \$1,074.70 for repairs to an aerator at the Waste Water Plant. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion was made by Nathan Reed seconded by Robert Johnson to approve PO 5397 to Heritage Fire Equipment for \$2,000.00 to rebuild the piping on a fire truck. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion was made by Nathan Reed seconded by George Fisher to approve PO 5400 to Thompson Caterpillar for \$1,344.74 for repair to the generator at the Industrial Park. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion was made by Nathan Reed seconded by Judy Baker to approve PO 5402 to Gibson Farmers Co-Op for \$468.35 for weed killer. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion was made by Nathan Reed seconded by George Fisher to approve PO 5405 to Heritage Fire Equipment for \$1,200.00 to extend and mount a deck gun on a fire truck. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Roger Gray to adopt Resolution 2008-167 (Refuse & Trash Disposal Fee). Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Robert Johnson to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2008-160 (Fuel Surcharge). Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Cody Childress to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2008-161 (Flood Damage Amendment). Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Robert Johnson to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2008-162 (Rural Fire Service Increase). Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Robert Johnson to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2008-163 (Water Rate Schedule). Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Cody Childress to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2008-164 (Sewer Rate Schedule). Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Bitsy Gilliland to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2008-165 (2008-2009 Annual Budget). Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Robert Johnson to approve and accept the annual audit contract (July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008) with Alexander, Thompson, Arnold for \$16,650.00. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Judy Baker seconded by Robert Johnson to purchase a new truck and trailer for the Street department. After much discussion the motion was amended.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by George Fisher to amend the motion to purchase a new truck and trailer for the Street department to include that the purchase of the new truck be made through a State Contract during this fiscal year. Nathan Reed asked that Assistant City Recorder, Jason K. Griggs, facilitate the purchase of the new truck. Motion carried with all ayes.

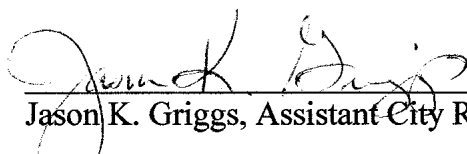
The issue concerning the drainage ditch on East College Street between Johnny & Jana Morris and Phillip & Megan Hurley was referred to the Public Works Committee. A Public Works Committee meeting will be held Monday, June 16, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

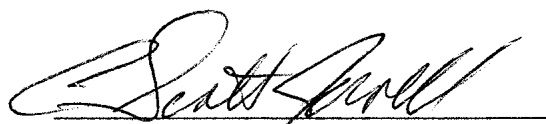
Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by George Fisher to approve PO 5409 to White's Painting & General Carpentry for \$700.00 for repairs to the gazebo at the park. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Nathan Reed seconded by Judy Baker to approve PO 5401 to Nail's Septic Tank Service for \$600.00 for repairs to the West State Steel lift station. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Robert Johnson seconded by Judy Baker to pay the general account of \$61,722.10. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Cody Childress seconded by Judy Baker to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes.


Jason K. Griggs, Assistant City Recorder


C. Scott Jewell, Mayor