

The City of Dyer Board of Mayor and Alderpersons met in Special Call Session Monday, June 22, 2010 at 6:20 p.m. at the City Hall. Those present were Mayor Walton Thompson; Alderpersons – Judy Baker, Bitsy Gilliland, Nathan Reed, Jimmy Landrum, Robert Johnson, Cody Childress, Roger Gray, George Fisher, and Attorney Jennifer Deen.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the following:

1. Nicholas W. Corbin Employment Status
2. State T-Ball Tournament

Mayor Thompson opened the meeting by laying out three guidelines for the first item of business:

1. Mayor Thompson asked any persons desiring to speak to limit their comments to five minutes.
2. Mayor Thompson asked that following comments from any persons wishing to speak that Attorney Jennifer Deen read a letter addressed to the Board of Mayor and Alderpersons from Mr. & Mrs. Richard Gilmore who are grandparents of Mr. Corbin.
3. Mayor Thompson asked that at the completion of the reading of the letter from the Gilmore's that the recommendation from the committee concerning the employment status of Nick Corbin be stated from committee chairperson, Robert Johnson.

Mitzi Corbin, mother of Nick Corbin, made an earnest plea to the Board asking them to give Nick another chance.

Attorney Jennifer Deen was instructed by Mayor Thompson to read the letter addressed to the Board of Mayor and Alderpersons. Via the letter, Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore asked the Board to give Mr. Corbin another chance.

Mayor Thompson called for the recommendation from the committee regarding the employment status of Nick Corbin.

Chairman Robert Johnson advised that if the Board violates the Personnel Policy for one man, the Board will be in trouble. Mr. Johnson advised that due to the Personnel Policy, the recommendation from the committee is termination.

Motion made by Robert Johnson seconded by George Fisher to terminate Nick Corbin's employment with the City of Dyer. Motion did not carry. Ayes – Landrum and Fisher. Nays – Baker, Gilliland, Reed, Johnson, Childress, and Gray.

Tom Lannom spoke representing the Dyer Volunteer Ball League. Mr. Lannom advised that the City of Dyer had been selected to host the State T-Ball tournament. He advised that 25-28 teams would participate in this event. Mr. Lannom advised that the city park is garnering a reputation for having great ball fields. He further stated that he believes that this could be a make or break event for the City of Dyer.

Mr. Lannom asked permission from the Board of Mayor and Alderpersons to hold two tournaments at the David Robinson Recreation Park. The tournaments and dates are as follows:

1. State T-Ball Tournament – July 2 – 4, 2010
2. Sub-State Babe Ruth Tournament – July 16 - 18, 2010

Mr. Lannom reminded the Board of the problems regarding the bathroom facilities and sewage lines at the park. He advised that there will be an issue with the sewage system when considering the amount of people coming to participate in this tournament along with the people from the Dyer Station Celebration all using the bathroom facilities at the same time.

Mr. Lannom advised that the ball league is willing to pay for four porta-potties to be placed at the park during this event to help with the sewage issue.

Alderman Nathan Reed stated that for a short-term solution, the City would fix the field line attached to the septic tank and have four porta-potties on site for the ball tournaments.

Reed further stated that the Board would work with engineers on a long-term solution to alleviate the sewage issues at the city park.

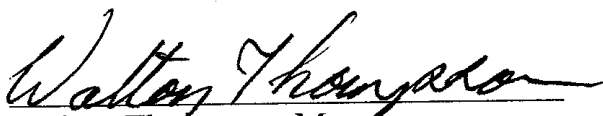
Alderman George Fisher advised that the City should have the septic tank pumped out before the tournament begins to help with the sewage issue.

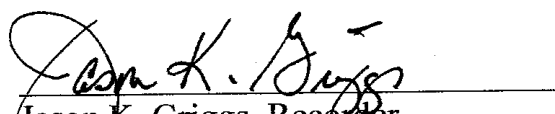
Mr. Lannom also requested that the City purchase painting supplies for the parking areas at the park. Mr. Lannom advised that he would get volunteers to paint the striping and handicapped parking areas.

Motion made by Roger Gray seconded by Childress to allow the Dyer Volunteer Ball League to host the State T-Ball tournament and the Sub-State Babe Ruth tournaments. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Bitsy Gilliland seconded by Robert Johnson to allow the Dyer Volunteer Ball League to purchase paint and painting supplies for striping the parking lanes and handicapped areas at the city park. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Roger Gray seconded by George Fisher to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes.


Walton Thompson, Mayor


Jason K. Griggs, Recorder