

The City of Dyer Board of Mayor and Alderpersons met in regular session, Monday, March 27, 2017 at 7:00. Those present were Mayor Chris Younger, Alderpersons Ray Carroll, Richard Reed, Ryan Shanklin, Robert Johnson, Craig Blackburn, and Tom Mikkelsen.

Motion made by Ryan Shanklin, seconded by Ray Carroll to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 regular meeting. Motion carried with Carroll, Reed, Shanklin, Blackburn, and Mikkelsen voting aye; Robert Johnson abstained.

Alderperson Jennifer Hughey arrived at 7:01 PM.

#### **Visitors**

Carl Woods, owner of 113 Lee St., addressed the board about the status of his property. To date, he's been unable to secure a buyer for the property. Mr. Woods indicated his belief that the land is worth \$3,000-\$4,000; board members wondered if the cost of demolition of the property would exceed the \$3,000 mark. Mayor Younger said the City's best option would be to encourage the Building Inspector to begin the condemnation process, especially given the questions about the title to the property. Mr. Woods will continue to attempt to find buyers for the property; he will contact the City Attorney with any updates or questions. Motion made by Ray Carroll, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to instruct the City Recorder to contact the Building Inspector about inspecting the property and commencing condemnation procedures if appropriate. Motion carried with all ayes.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Younger asked the City Recorder to report on the bids opened for a new police vehicle. A portion of the cost of the vehicle will be funded through a grant. The City Recorder reported that one bid, from Steve Marsh Ford, had been received in the amount of \$28,661.28. Motion made by Ray Carroll, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to accept the bid. Motion carried with all ayes. Motion made by Ray Carroll, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to award the bid to Steve Marsh Ford for \$28,661.28. Motion carried with all ayes.

#### **Department Reports**

Dyer Fire Chief Roger Worrell asked the board to approve the purchase of 26 50 foot sections of 3" hose at a cost of \$5,500.00. Mayor Younger asked if all the hose was needed out of this budget year; Chief Worrell suggested that some could be purchased next year, and added that he is also asking for authorization to purchase \$8,400.00 in turnout gear, which should not be delayed. After much discussion, motion made by Ray Carroll, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to authorize the issuance of purchase orders totaling \$13,900.00 for the purchase of new hose sections and turnout gear. Motion carried with all ayes.

Dyer Police Chief Brad Lindsey reported that the THSO (Tennessee Highway Safety Office, formerly the Governor's Highway Safety Office) grant increased from \$2,500 to \$5,000 next year.

Street Supervisor Steven Tucker said that he had examined the truck for sale at Custom Ag Services and that he felt the bed was too short for the City's purpose. He's contacted another dealer for information on used vehicles which might be appropriate for the City.

The City Recorder said that financial reports for the month ended February, 2017 were at the members' seats. He also reminded the Board that City Stickers are on sale.

Water Superintendent Randy Gregory informed the Board that a sensor and relay had malfunctioned at the Industrial Park water tank and a pump had run over the weekend causing an overflow of the tank (and for the water plant to run for a lengthy period of time). Tyler Landrum discovered the malfunction over the weekend and shut down the sensor. Higdon Electric is replacing the damaged components. The repair estimate is approximately \$1,000.00.

**Committee Reports**

Street Committee Chair Tom Mikkelsen asked about a herbicide that might kill weeds but not grass. Mayor Younger said that the City doesn't have a permit to spray certain types of herbicides, but that personnel would look into it. Mayor Younger also said that a resident on Hull Street suggests that a larger culvert might prevent water flooding his yard. A representative from MTAS is coming to Dyer this week and will evaluate that location as well as others.

**New Business**

Motion made by Ryan Shanklin, seconded by Ray Carroll to adopt Resolution 2017-224, a Resolution to Revise Policies and Procedures for the Handling and Disposal of Bulk Waste. The City Recorder reviewed the major provisions of the resolution with the Board and answered questions. Motion carried with Carroll, Shanklin, Johnson, Blackburn, Mikkelsen, and Hughey voting aye; Reed abstained.

Motion made by Ryan Shanklin, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to adopt Resolution 2017-225, a Resolution to Establish Fees for Copies and Facsimile Services. The City has long had a policy for copies and faxes, but it has not been formally adopted by the Board. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Ryan Shanklin, seconded by Robert Johnson to approve PO 8071 to Stalker Radar, Applied Concepts for \$1,859.20 for a new radar unit for the part-time car. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Ryan Shanklin, seconded by Ray Carroll to pay the accounts. Alderman Shanklin expressed displeasure that the police radios were still not reliable and pondered not paying the dispatch bill from Central Control. Ultimately, the City has no choice in dispatch. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Ryan Shanklin, seconded by Robert Johnson to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes.



Chris Younger, Mayor

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Nathan Reed, City Recorder