

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 8, 2015

Mayor Frank Dunmire called the Macon City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Clerk Pam Windell, Treasurer Dale Tomlinson, Attorney Mike Antoline, Aldermen Jeanne Hill, Doug Huggins, Chad Rappe, Mike Baker, Kimberly Claussen, and Blake Noland. Also present were Sue Cole, Richard Zerfowski, Gene Alcorn, Lt. Jamie Belcher, Caleb Beasley, Barb Beasley, Dennis Steiling, Jim Reynolds, Andrea Reynolds, Ben Murray, Matt Foster, Jeff Hackert, Nancy Hackert, Gil Benson, Joe Murray, Ryan Murray, Bart Craycroft, Kent Damery, Dave Munson, Teresa Morey, Lucille Shasteen, Pat Beals, Cody Holsapple, Charlie Dunmire, and Darrick Hulva.

The minutes from the May 11th meeting were approved.

Mayor Dunmire informed the Council and all residents present he wanted the Attorney to explain why he had included golf carts on the agenda.

Attorney Antoline explained that the state of Illinois had changed golf cart regulations and that the Mayor wanted everyone to be aware of the changes and possibly make an Ordinance to make sure that golf carts are being operated legally.

After a lengthy debate between residents and the Council the Attorney recommended that the Council vote or whether or not to pursue having an Ordinance concerning golf carts at the meeting in July.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Jeanne Hill, seconded Alderman Chad Rappe to continue to work on golf cart Ordinance or to drop the matter. Motion denied.

Doug – drop it

Chad – continue

Jeanne – continue

Mike – drop it

Blake – drop it

Kimberly – drop it

Lt. Belcher presented the police report. He informed the Council that during the Macon Street Fest there will be extra officers in Macon.

Matt Foster recommended that the City accept the bid from Earl Walker Co for oiling and chipping in the amount of \$30,070.00.

A motion was made Alderwoman Kimberly Claussen, seconded by Alderman Doug Huggins to accept the bid for oiling and chipping in the amount of \$30,070.00 from Earl Walker Co. Motion carried.

Dave Munson a contractor who is constructing a house in Hogan Hills was at the meeting to explain to the Council that he is asking the City to assist with extra cost incurred at the house that he is building due to information about the sewer main he was given by a City employee that was wrong.

Alderman Mike Baker recommended that the City split the cost with the homeowners. He does not want to discourage people from building in Hogan Hills. Alderwoman Jeanne Hill asked if the cost could be paid out of the TIF fund and if it can she recommended paying the full amount out of the TIF fund.

A motion was made by Alderman Blake Noland, seconded by Alderman Chad Rappe to enter into a written agreement with the homeowner to pay half of the cost incurred due to the mistake. The amount is \$1,412.50

Doug – Yes  
Jeanne – No  
Blake - Yes

Chad - Yes  
Mike - Yes  
Kimberly – Yes

Mayor Dunmire explained why he formatted the agenda a little differently. He will have listed what he wants the committee chairperson to report on.

Blake Noland presented his recommendation for the new utility tractor. His recommendation is a John Deere tractor with a cab. He thinks the cab is necessary for use in the winter. His recommendation for a roto-tiller is a King Kutter. Alderman Noland would like to sell that Kubota the City now has and not use it for a trade-in. Alderman Noland recommended compensating Darrick Hulva \$100.00 a day for use of his tractor and tiller.

Treasurer Dale Tomlinson informed the Council that the new tractor would be paid out of the TIF fund.

A motion was made by Alderman Mike Baker, seconded by Alderwoman Kimberly Claussen to purchase the John Deere tractor and cab that Alderman Blake Noland presented not to exceed \$37,500.00. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Doug Huggins, seconded by Alderman Kimberly Claussen to try and sell the existing Kubota tractor at minimum price of \$15,000. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Mike Baker, seconded by Alderman Blake Noland to reimburse Darrick Hulva a \$100 a day for use of his tractor and tiller. Motion carried.

Alderman Noland reported that he had looked at the sidewalks in the City and would like to have the sidewalks be more consistent.

Alderwoman Kimberly Claussen presented the Profit and Loss report for the month of May. Alderwoman Claussen reported that she will have an answer at next month's meeting about whether a part-time mowing position needs to be filled.

Alderman Doug Huggins reported that he and Kimberly had met about relocating Memorial Park. Alderman Huggins is waiting for information or what can be done with the existing property where Memorial Park is now located.

Attorney Antoline is in the process of locating the agreement about the property. He will have the information at next month's meeting.

Alderman Chad Rappe presented a proposal from Deputy Roseman for a new Ordinance to combat the presence of synthetic drugs in the community.

Attorney Antoline will investigate the state regulations about synthetic drugs. If possible to have an Ordinance he will present it at next month's meeting.

Alderman Jeanne Hill presented the new business sign configuration. There will be two large spaces and six small spaces at present to rent out by businesses. It is suggested that it be changed to three large spaces and four small spaces.

A motion was made by Alderman Doug Huggins, seconded by Alderwoman Kimberly Claussen to combine two of the small spaces to make another large space at a cost not the exceed \$900.00. Motion carried.

It is the consensus of the Council that since several businesses want the large spaces that the Council will have a drawing and give the businesses their choice of the space they want.

Attorney Antoline presented the business sign contract. He will have the updated contract at next month's meeting for the Council to approve.

Barb Beasley and several residents from the City were present to request that the City not close Memorial Park. They are fine with a new park where the grade school was but they do not want Memorial Park closed. Alderman Doug Huggins informed those present that there will be a meeting that everyone in Macon can attend and voice their concerns about the parks.

Clerk Pam Windell presented the bids for the sealing coating and striping of the Community Center parking lot.

A motion was made by Alderman Chad Rappe, seconded by Alderman Blake Noland to accept the bid submitted by ALHENCAM, Inc. in the of \$4.2000.00. Motion carried.

Treasurer Dale Tomlinson presented the Treasurer's report.

A motion was made by Alderman Doug Huggins, seconded by Alderwoman Jeanne Hill to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Kimberly Claussen, seconded by Alderman Doug Huggins to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Blake Noland, seconded by Alderman Chad Rappe to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Windell, City Clerk