

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 9, 2015

Mayor Greg Smith 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 Frank Dunmire, Jeanne Hill, Doug Huggins, Mac Morey, and Mike Baker. Also present were Joe Gipson, Cathy Gipson, Sue Cole, Gene Alcorn, Kimberly Claussen, Cody Holsapple, Charlie Dunmire, and Darrick Hulva.

The minutes from the February 9, 2015 regular meeting were approved.

Mayor Smith opened the one bid that was received for 401 West Andrews submitted by Joe and Cathy Gipson. The bid amount was for \$102.00.

A motion was made by Alderman Frank Dunmire, seconded by Alderman Mike Baker to accept the bid of \$102.00. Motion carried.

Mayor Smith presented the police report.

Alderman Dunmire presented the P & L report.

Mayor Smith informed the Council that the Macon Street Fest Committee is requesting a donation. His recommendation was to give \$2,000.00.

A motion was made by Alderman Mike Baker, seconded by Alderman Mac Morey to donate \$2,000.00 to the Macon Street Fest. Motion carried.

Alderman Dunmire requested waiting until after May 1st to make the donation so it could be included in the fiscal year budget. It was the consensus of the Council to make the donation after May 1st.

The employee benefits concerning insurance coverage is vague in the ordinance. The clerk will provide the correct information to the attorney and he will have an updated and amended ordinance at the meeting in April.

The Meridian High School FCS Club is wanting to volunteer their time to help get the park ready to open in April. The Clerk will put their sponsor in touch with Linda Markham the park custodian to setup the time to do the work and discuss what needs to be done.

Cody Holsapple presented the Council with three bids for a new wire feed welder. He informed the Council that the present welder is at least 60 years old. His recommendation is to purchase the Millermatic 252 welder for \$2,305.00 from S. J. Smith Co.

A motion was made by Alderman Frank Dunmire, seconded by Alderman Mac Morey to purchase a new welder for \$2,305.00. Motion carried.

Mayor Smith appointed Doug Huggins and Jeanne Hill to be the TIF committee.

Alderman Dunmire informed the Council that the finance committee will be meeting at 6:00 p.m. on March 26th.

Mayor Smith informed the Council that Monte Hogan will allow the new business sign to be installed on his property by the Route 51 north connector.

Mayor Smith has been in contact with Lt. Butts of the Macon Sheriff Department about radio and laptop for the City's squad car. The City will have to pay \$2,500.00 annually.

Attorney Mike Antoline informed the Council that he sent a letter to a resident on Eckhardt St informing him that he could not park a semi-truck on the street in front of his house. The Council will have Attorney Antoline send a letter informing the resident he has two weeks to move the semi-truck.

Gene Alcorn requested to have rock put in his alley.

Darrick, Cody, and Charlie will be working on alleys as soon as the weather permits.

Sue Cole informed the Council that Darrick, Cody, and Charlie did a good job cleaning the snow off the streets especially the intersections.

Sue also wanted to thank the Council for the donation to the Macon Street Fest.

Charlie informed the Council that he, Cody, and Darrick had repaired a water main leak on Ruby Street.

Darrick wanted to thank Cody and Charlie for their help with snow removal. He also wanted to thank the Council for allowing him to attend the Illinois Rural Water Association conference. Darrick informed the Council that the conference was very informative.

Treasurer Dale Tomlinson presented the Treasurer's report.

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

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

A motion was made by Alderman Doug Huggins, seconded by Alderwoman Jeanne Hill to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Windell, City Clerk