

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 23, 2014
TRENTON CITY HALL
6:00PM

Mayor Burriss called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Trenton City Council to order. Alderman Abbott led the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance to follow. Those present for the meeting were Mayor Burriss, Aldermen Gibson, Hammonds, Jackson, Wade, Abbott and Overall. City employees present were Terry Bailey, Ricky Bailey, Terrence Elam, Will Sanders, Scott Dahlstrom, Richard Gossum and Leigh Reynolds. Visitors present were Lanny Poteet, Myra Elam, Haywood Elam, Dona Leadbetter, Ricky Graves, Crystal Burns and Ken White.

Alderman Hammonds made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2014 council meeting. Alderman Wade seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

CITY HALL RENOVATION UPDATE

Mayor Burriss stated that there were a lot of bids opened today for the renovation of City Hall. Mr. Billy Hill (with Lashlee Rich) will go through all bids and will have recommendations at the next council meeting. Mayor Burriss stated that employees have started cleaning out things for the renovation and items that are no longer being used we will sell and things that have to be moved out of offices will be stored in T-Pot room. The T-Pot room will be sealed off for several months for storage and to protect the t-pots during the renovation.

THDA GRANT UPDATE

Mayor Burriss stated that Nelson Thornton came last Friday to go over the policies and procedures of the THDA Home Grant and a resolution needs to be passed in order for the grant to move forward. Alderman Hammonds made a motion to pass Resolution 2014-R-7 for THDA Home Grant policies and procedures. Alderman Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

SONS OF THE CONFEDERACY/KEN WHITE

Ken White asked the council for help paying for new brochures for the driving tour of the Battle of Trenton, they have received a 50/50 matching grant and need help coming up with their part. Ken stated that some places on the tour have changed and the original brochure was hard to follow.

Alderman Gibson made a motion to give \$200.00 for new brochures for the driving tour of the Battle of Trenton. Alderman Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

DISCUSSION OF 911 FIRE DISPATCH

Chief Elam stated that during the ISO rating inspection the department went from a rating of 5 to 6 and to get our rating back down there are a few things they suggest we do. Increase the amount of training our firemen receive, get a listing of fire hydrants where they are numbered with capacity listed and put all of this together in a notebook and to change our dispatch from Trenton to Central Control 911. Chief Elam stated that he had gotten prices from Central Control and they will charge \$1.00 per person in the city limits and also per rural fire subscription totaling \$4,470.00 per year. There will also be an expense of \$4,400.00 to purchase equipment from Area Wide Communications that will be needed for the transfer.

RECOMMENDATION TO HIRE A NEW FIREMAN

Chief Elam made a recommendation to hire Dwayne Coble as fireman. He has his EMT license and all certificates and is also certified to teach classes.

Alderman Wade made a motion to hire Dwayne Coble to the Trenton Fire Department as a fireman. Alderman Gibson seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPOINT A NEW VOLUNTEER FIREMAN

Chief Elam made a recommendation to appoint Pat Sawyer as a volunteer fireman. Pat is certified and can teach classes. Alderman Hammonds made a motion to appoint Pat Sawyer as a volunteer fireman to the Trenton Fire Department. Alderman Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

TERRENCE ELAM/FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Elam stated that the department has installed 109 smoke alarms and they received 112.

SCOTT DAHLSTROM/LIGHT AND WATER DEPARTMENT

Scott stated that they had pre construction conference on waste water project and he has hired an electrical engineer to map out their system. He also hired a lineman Howard Rollins.

MAYOR'S REPORT

October 14, 2014 at 5:00pm there will be a public meeting for application on phase 3 Downtown Renovation Project.

September 27, 2014 will be the last weekend for music on the square.

September 24, 2014 at 8:30am TL&W Board Meeting.

October 15, 2014 early voting starts

October 14, 2014 next council meeting

Alderman Hammonds made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Overall seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

Tony Burriss, Mayor

Leigh Reynolds, City Recorder