

**TRENTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**MARCH 22, 2016**  
**6:00 PM**  
**TRENTON CITY HALL**

Mayor Jackson called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Trenton City Council to order. Alderman Hammonds led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present for the meeting were Mayor Jackson, Aldermen Abbott, Hammonds, Wade, Gibson, Graves, and Alderperson Leadbetter. City employees were Terry Bailey, Ricky Bailey, Terry Brown, Terrence Elam, Will Sanders, Scott Dahlstrom, Eric Horne, Xavier Keys and Leigh Reynolds. Visitors present were Crystal Burns, LaKen Burpo, Steve Smith, Carolyn Little, Peggy Thornton, Donna Carr, Kevin Allen, and Tommie Hyde.

Alderman Wade made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2016 council meeting. Alderman Hammonds seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

**CITIZEN'S INPUT**

Donna Carr residing at 6 Quail Ridge, Trenton, TN., addressed the problem with dogs. She stated that in January 2016 there is a new Federal Law targeting animal abusers and the punishment can be a Group A felony. She sees that citizens are not giving proper care to their animals. She would like for the city to enforce the leash law, review state and local laws, educate the citizens and run a newspaper article once a year on the care of animals.

Charles Ables residing at 609 North College, Trenton, TN., complaining of water problems on North College. He stated that he is getting a petition with citizen's names and sending to the state to see if they can make the River Basin clean out the ditch. There are two trees in the ditch and we have to do something to get this water out of here.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**REVIEW PROPERTY AT 1223 HWY 45 BYPASS**

Ricky Bailey gave an update on 1223 Hwy 45 Bypass stating they are continuing to clean, it is just a slow go.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **1<sup>ST</sup> READING: ORDINANCE #313 AMEND TITLE 4 TO MUNICIPAL CODE**

Alderman Graves made a motion to pass 1<sup>st</sup> reading on ordinance #313 amending title 4 to the municipal code. Alderperson Leadbetter seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

### **PRESENTATION FROM RED RIVER WASTE SOLUTIONS**

Steve Smith and LaKenBurpo representing Red River stated they would be interested in bidding on waste removal when it comes due. They stated that they have saved communities around here quite a bit of money. Their main office is in Nashville TN and they have a regional office in Union City.

### **RE-APPOINT MARY HOOKER TO TRENTON HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD-TERM TO EXPIRE 03-24-21**

Alderman Wade made a motion to reappoint Mary Hooker to Trenton Housing Authority Board with term expiring 03-24-2021. Alderman Hammonds seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

### **KENT COLEMAN-CORNER OF EATON AND LEXINGTON STREET PROPERTY**

Ricky Bailey stated that Kent Coleman has put in an offer for the property on corner of Eaton and Lexington Street in the amount of \$6000.00. The initial offer was \$11,500.00. The council would like to make a counter offer, ask him questions and to encourage him to attend a meeting.

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING-APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup> (TEAPOT FESTIVAL WEEK)**

Alderman Abbott made a motion to eliminate City Council Meeting April 26, 2016 due to Teapot Festival. Alderperson Leadbetter seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

### **REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS**

#### **RICKY BAILEY/BUILDING & ZONING DEPARTMENT**

Ricky stated that he has inquired about the house on High Street and they hope to tear it down before Teapot week.

### **WILL SANDERS/POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Sanders stated that the department is working hard on the robbery that happened Saturday night at Maverick. They have several leads and are offering an award for information.

Chief Sanders and Jimmy Wilson were questioned about a homeless lady from a Humboldt shelter that was dropped off in Trenton that is on parole. Chief stated that we get into situations where there is no good answer. There are no funds appropriated for mental health anymore.

### **SCOTT DAHLSTROM/LIGHT & WATER DEPARTMENT**

Scott stated that the department should hear back real soon on the State Revolving Fund Loan for the wastewater plant. and signed an order on engineering firm to design the building. Working on interim financing until State Revolving Fund kicks in.

### **ALDERMAN'S REPORT**

Alderman Abbott stated that he has had a couple of people asking if the water is good. Alderman Abbott told them it was fine and asked Scott Dahlstrom to write an article to the newspaper ensuring everyone that the water is fine.

Alderman Leadbetter stated that April 22, 2016 will be Spruceup the Square Day. April 24, 2016 thru April 30, 2016 will be T-Pot Festival. The new t-shirts are in and brochures are out.

Alderman Wade gave a report on TML Conference, gas and road tax is going up because of lack of funds to fix roads. Hotel and Motel taxes will be taken away from cities.

Alderman Graves thanked Ricky Bailey for checking on the house on High Street.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

March 23, 2016 Utility Board Meeting at 8:30am at TL&W

April 12, 2016 next regularly scheduled council meeting

April 24<sup>th</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup> will be Teapot Festival

Alderman Abbott made a motion to adjourn at 6:42 pm. Alderperson Leadbetter seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

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Ricky Jackson, Mayor

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Leigh Reynolds, City Recorder