

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 14, 2016
6:00PM
TRENTON CITY HALL

Mayor Jackson called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Trenton City Council to order. Alderman Gibson led the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance to follow. Those present for the meeting were Mayor Jackson, Aldermen Hammonds, Wade, Gibson, Graves and Alderperson Leadbetter. City employees were Terry Brown, Jeff McCoy Ricky Bailey, Scott Dahlstrom, Eric Horne, Terrance Elam, Terry Bailey, Richard Gossum and Leigh Reynolds. Visitors present were Carolyn Little, Peggy Thornton, Kevin Allen, Crystal Burns, Barbara Johnson, Shirley Partee, Aaron Partee, Julie Jones and Angela Ward.

Mayor Jackson stated on the agenda under New Business 1st reading of the 2016-17 budget the ordinance #306 needed to be added.

Alderperson Leadbetter made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2016 council meeting. Alderman Graves seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

RECORDER'S REPORT

City Recorder Leigh Reynolds reported the expenditures for the month. Alderman Wade made a motion to approve the expenditures with the general fund being \$36,342.87 and sanitation \$59,147.39. Alderman Hammonds seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

CITIZEN'S INPUT

Barbara Johnson residing at 301 Gibson Road, Trenton, TN was thankful for the house being torn down on 2nd Street. She appreciated that the City said they would get it down and you did.

Julie Jones also was thankful for the house down on 2nd Street and stated that she has been told by many people that it looks a lot better. She also thanked the

police department for more patrol and stated that people are feeling safer. She would like more houses to go down and more patrol by police.

OLD BUSINESS

2nd READING ORDINANCE #305. AMEND TITLE 12 OF MUNICIPAL CODE CITY OF TRENTON

Alderman Graves made a motion to pass 2nd reading on Ordinance #305 amending Title 12 of municipal code of City of Trenton. Alderperson Leadbetter seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

1ST READING ORDINANCE #306 OF THE 2016-17 BUDGET

Alderperson Leadbetter made a motion to pass 1st reading on Ordinance #306 for the 2016-17 budget with an increase in property tax to \$1.61 per \$100 of assessed value. Alderman Hammonds seconded the motion. Motion carried, Aldermen Hammonds, Wade, Gibson, Graves and Alderperson Leadbetter yea.

REPORT ON DEBT OBLIGATION, \$500,000 FINANCING FOR 1 YEAR

Mayor Jackson stated that there is a debt obligation for \$500,000 at 2% interest for 1 year for water and sewer system improvements.

OPEN BIDS FOR STREET TRUCK

Leigh open bid for street truck from Gene Langley Ford. The bid was for 2017 F-350 for \$26,118.00 (only received one bid). Alderman Graves made a motion to accept Gene Langley Ford's bid on street truck for \$26,118.00 and to be purchased in 2016-2017 budget. Alderman Hammonds seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

GRANT EASEMENT TO MOVE FARM EQUIPMENT ON LAND IN INDUSTRIAL PARK

Two farmers would like an easement on the South side of Gibson County Fair property under the power lines to get to farm property. Alderman Wade made a motion to grant easement on South side of Gibson County Fair property under the power lines so farmers can get to their property. Alderman Hammonds seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

RICKY BAILEY/BUILDING & ZONING DEPARTMENT

Ricky Bailey stated that the owner of property on 214 East 2nd Street wants time to fix the house. Ricky stated that he will work hard to save houses when someone wants to repair their property.

TERRY BROWN/PARK DEPARTMENT

Terry stated that the All Star Tournament will start Thursday for the 7 to 9 year olds. On June 27, 2016, Terry will have knee surgery and will be off from work six to eight weeks.

JEFF MCCOY/ ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF

Assistant Chief McCoy recommended the hiring of Bill Cusson for patrol officer. Mr. Cusson has 21 years' experience and is a certified officer. He has bought a house on High Street. The department will have to send him to transit school because he is coming from another state, with the cost being \$750.00. Alderman Hammonds made a motion to hire Bill Cusson for patrol officer. Alderman Graves seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

SCOTT DAHLSTROM

Scott reminded the council that Utility Board meeting will be next Wednesday.

ALDERMAN'S REPORT

Alderman Gibson stated that houses are being torn down in Trenton. It is not easy to tear someone house down just because it is abandon. It requires a lot of paper work and Ricky Bailey is doing a good job.

Alderman Graves thanked the guests for coming to the council meeting. Their points and suggestions are appreciated.

MAYOR'S REPORT

June 19, 2016 Father's Day

June 22, 2016 Utility Board meeting 8:30am at TL&W

June 22, 2016 TVA ECD 101 class 10:00am-12 noon at TL&W

June 23, 2016 Healthy West Grant/Park Kickoff 1:00pm at Shady Acres Park

June 24, 2016 Graduation for Keys and Warmath at Police Academy 10:00am

June 28, 2016 next Council Meeting 6:00pm

June 30, 2016 Special Called meeting 12:00 noon

Alderman Hammonds made a motion to adjourn at 6:24pm. Alderman Wade seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

Ricky Jackson, Mayor

Leigh Reynolds, City Recorder