

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
MAY 9, 2017
6:00PM
TRENTON CITY HALL

Mayor Jackson called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Trenton City Council to order. Alderman Hammonds led the invocation with the Pledge of Allegiance to follow. Those present for the meeting were Mayor Jackson, Aldermen Abbott, Hammonds, Wade, Gibson, Graves and Alderperson Leadbetter. City employees were Danny Dunnagan, Will Sanders, Eric Horne, John Warmath, Justin Morris, Terry Brown and Leigh Reynolds. Visitors present were Carolyn Little, Peggy Thornton and Crystal Burns.

Alderman Hammonds made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2017 minutes. 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 Hammonds made a motion to approve the expenditures with the general fund being \$159,752.92 and sanitation \$42,551.63. Alderman Wade seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

TEAPOT FESTIVAL

Alderperson Leadbetter thanked city employees for all their hard work during Teapot Festival. Several lunches sold out and all in all a wonderful festival. Alderman Abbott stated the festival went very well and he thinks it was the best festival ever but hated that the block party had to be cancelled due to rain.

FREED HOUSE

Mayor Jackson stated there is still an interested party in the Freed house and he will keep everyone informed.

NEW BUSINESS

BUDGET MEETING

Mayor Jackson stated that he and the budget committee need to get together in the next couple of weeks to discuss 2017-2018 budget.

ALDERMAN'S REPORT

Alderman Abbott stated that he is concerned about citizens' yards with tall grass and not keeping their yards clean. 1704 South College has two wrecked cars in the yard, High Street has a trailer with junk parked on the side of the road and a house on South College has not been mowed in two years. He stated that if they cannot afford to mow their yard we should try to help them because the people that live on either side deserve better.

Alderman Leadbetter stated that she has always been in favor of cleaning up the town. The north end of town is ridiculous. She thinks we need to change some ordinances and enforce them. She wanted to thank TL&W for allowing them to ride in their truck and Josh for driving in the parade. She has had more compliments in us all riding together. She is concerned about the new lights on Phase II because they do not match the old lights and if whether the lights for Phase III will be different. Mayor Jackson has called and they are a different brand but were not supposed to be different.

All aldermen have received a call from a citizen about a neighbor's yard and Alderman Wade stated that we need to show her that we are trying to do something.

Alderman Gibson stated we have a long way to go as far as getting the town clean but it looks 200% better than it looked years ago. Someone from City Hall rides every week and if grass needs to be mowed letters are sent to that address.

MAYOR'S REPORT

May 7-12 Strawberry Festival

This is Public Service recognition and Nurses week

May 23, 2017 next city council

May 25, 2017 Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing

May 30, 2017 Utility Board Meeting

May 14, 2017 Mother's Day

Alderman Wade made a motion to adjourn at 6:27pm. Alderman Graves seconded the motion. The motion carried by voice vote.

Ricky Jackson, Mayor

Leigh Reynolds, City Recorder