

COUNCIL

Trenton City Council convened in regular session on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers of Trenton City Hall with Mayor Tony Burriss presiding. Those present were council members Abbott, Cannon, Gibson, Hammonds, Jackson and Overall. Also present were City employees Richard Gossum, Sammy Dickey, Bret Fisher, Terry Bailey, Ricky Bailey, Terry Brown, Will Sanders, James Frazier and Barry Green. Visitors were Danny Jones, Dinah and Danny Corley, Jeff Woods, Randy Lewis, Darryl Word, George Wade and Shirley Ray.

Mayor Burriss welcomed everyone and asked Alderman Overall to give the invocation. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by everyone.

A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2008 council meeting. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all.

RECORDER'S REPORT

City Recorder Sammy Dickey reported 10th of the month bills as follows:

General Fund	\$92,370.75
Sanitation Department	\$19,847.84
Electric Department	\$618,202.35
Water & Sewer Department	\$29,893.13

A motion was made by Alderman Jackson to pay these bills as presented. This motion was seconded by Alderman Hammonds and passed by all.

FRONT END LOADER

Bids were opened for the purchase of a new front end loader for the street department as follows:

JCB	\$43,603.53
New Holland	\$40,298.00
Liles Brothers & Sons Case	\$41,000.00

Street Superintendent Terry Bailey stated that the Case bid includes an extended 4 year power train warranty and recommended the Case bid. A motion was made by Alderman Gibson to purchase the front end loader from Liles Brothers and Sons. This motion was seconded by Alderman Hammonds and passed by all.

2nd & FINAL READING/ORDINANCE # 252

A motion was made by Alderman Cannon to approve on second and final reading Ordinance # 252 regulating parades in the City of Trenton. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all.

CIVIL WAR HERITAGE TRAIL

Mayor Burriss informed council about the Civil War Heritage Trail that exists in Virginia, Maryland and South Carolina is also being formed in Tennessee. This trail is considered a prime tourist attraction and the City of Trenton has enough sites that they are being encouraged to participate. The cost to participate is \$5,500.00. There is the potential for an 80/20 grant through Middle Tennessee State University and the cost to the City would be \$1,100.00 if awarded the grant. Alderman Gibson asked if the City could afford not to try for the grant money. A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to seek funding for the Civil War Heritage Trail. This motion was seconded by Alderman Gibson and passed by all.

RURAL FIRE SERVICE

A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to raise the fee charged for Rural Fire Service from \$75.00 to \$100.00. This motion was seconded by Alderman Cannon and passed by all.

RICKY BAILEY/BUILDING INSPECTOR

Building and Zoning Inspector Ricky Bailey reported that 16 buildings have been razed in the City of Trenton.

TERRY BROWN/PARK SUPERINTENDENT

Park Superintendent Terry Brown reported to council that a softball tournament is scheduled for this weekend.

BARRY GREEN/FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Green reported that the department is working on a grant to purchase vehicle extrication equipment. The cost of the equipment is \$34,000. The grant will fund 95% leaving the City with a 5% match.

WILL SANDERS/POLICE DEPARTMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to allow James Frazier, Animal Control Officer, to issue citations for animal control. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all.

Police Chief Sanders commended Lt. Wilson, and officers Vickers, Williams and Robertello for work well done apprehending a burglar and investigating a child abuse/cocaine possession case.

BRET FISHER/LIGHT & WATER DEPARTMENT

Bret Fisher reported that the Light and Water department will finance \$100,000.00 to repair lines on South College Street. The work on the lagoon and lines are on schedule to be completed by the August deadline. The work to be done on the Alamo Highway intersection has started and will be completed in the next few weeks.

OTHER BUSINESS

Alderman Gibson would like council to consider purchasing a dozier for City work and has contacted Bret Fisher who stated that the Utility Department will split the cost with the City. Alderman Gibson will begin beautification work at City Hall next week.

Alderman Overall has scheduled park meetings for the first Sunday of each month.

Mayor Burriss complimented all City employees for their hard work.

A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all.

ADJOURN 7:23 P.M.

