

## **BEER HEARING**

A beer hearing was held on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 p.m. at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers of Trenton City hall. Those present were Sammy Dickey, Randy Russell, Margaret Russell and Mayor Tony Burriss. The purpose of the hearing was to hear comments, pro or con, concerning Margaret Russell's application to operate Margaret's Come Back at 411 north College Street. There being no comments, the hearing was closed at 6:32 p.m.

## **COUNCIL**

Trenton City Council convened in regular, but rescheduled session, on Thursday, June 26, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers of Trenton City Hall. Those present were Aldermen Abbott, Cannon, Gibson, Hammonds, Jackson and Overall. Also present were City employees Sammy Dickey, Bret Fisher, Richard Gossum, Ricky Bailey, Terry Brown, Barry Green, Will Sanders, Jenny Corbin and James Frazier. Visitors were John Glenn, Shavarius Franklin, William Word, Jr., David Graves, Margaret & Randy Russell, Ruby Ganaway, Danny Corley, Kathi Burriss and Darryl Word. Mayor Tony Burriss welcomed everyone and asked Alderman Gibson 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 June 10, 2008 council meeting. This motion was seconded by Alderman Gibson and passed by all.

## **RECORDER'S REPORT**

City Recorder Sammy Dickey presented resolution 2008-R-5 authorizing the City to participate in the TML Safety Partners Grant. This is a matching grant requiring \$1,500.00 from the City. A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to participate in this grant. The motion was seconded by Alderman Overall and passed by all.

## **BEER PERMIT**

A motion was made by Alderman Cannon to approve Margaret Russell's request to operate Margaret's Come Back at 411 North College Street. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed 5 yes/1 no from Alderman Hammonds.

## **RATIFY PRIVATE ACT/MAYORAL ELECTION**

A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to ratify the private act requiring the mayoral election to be won with a vote of 50% + 1. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all.

## **ORDINANCE #254/FIREWORKS**

A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to pass on 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading Ordinance # 254 regulating fireworks sales and shooting in the City of Trenton. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all.

## **2<sup>ND</sup> AND FINAL READING/2008-2009 FISCAL BUDGET**

A motion was made by Alderman Jackson to approve on second and final reading the 2008-2009 fiscal budget for the City of Trenton. The 2008-2009 fiscal budget includes \$3,546,999.00 for general government and \$535,600 for the sanitation department for a total of \$4,082,599.00. The budget has been balanced without use of reserve funds and with no increase in the \$1.72 tax rate. Department heads will be required to be diligent in the use of City funds to allow for increases in fuel prices. The 2008-2009 budget includes \$50,000 capital outlay for 2 cars and equipment for the police department, \$8,000 for pipe drainage at Shady Acres Park, \$7,675 for turnout gear, pagers, fire hose and other equipment for the fire department, lease payments of \$37,211.83 towards purchase of a new fire truck costing \$224,678.00 and funds to resurface some streets during the fiscal year. The budget provides for a \$500.00 raise for full time employees and \$250.00 for part time employees. This motion was seconded by Alderman Overall and passed by all.

## **RECYCLE BINS**

Mr. Charles Carr appeared before council requesting permission to place recycling bins on City property at City Hall, the Light and Water Department and on First Street. These bins would be for paper and cardboard and the City would be reimbursed at a rate of .03 cents per pound every 60 days. A motion to allow this request was made by Alderman Hammonds, seconded by Alderman Cannon and passed by all.

## **CROSSROADS WIRELESS**

Bret Fisher informed council that Crossroads Wireless would like to place antenna on the water tower behind old Peabody High School. The City would be reimbursed \$500.00 a month for the next 5 years with an option for an additional 5 years. City Attorney Richard Gossum will check the deed before a decision is made by council.

## **HEALTH & EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES BOARD**

A motion was made by Alderman Cannon to appoint Dr. Jim Williams to fill the unexpired term of Dr. A. L. Schrader expiring October 24, 2010 and to reappoint Chairman Danny Corley and Vice Chairman Dotty Jones to four year terms expiring October 24, 2010; Jimmy Milligan, Ed Norman, Dr. C.L. Culbreath and George Rasberry to four year terms expiring October 24, 2008 and City Attorney Richard Gossum to the Health and Educational Facilities Board. This motion was seconded by Alderman Hammonds and passed by all.

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

Building and Zoning Inspector Ricky Bailey reported that he has signed releases for 5 condemned houses to be torn down in the City.

## **TERRY BROWN/SHADY ACRES PARK**

Park Superintendent Terry Brown reported that new rules signs have been put up at the park.

## **BARRY GREEN/FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Fire Chief Barry Green reported that the new fire truck is in Memphis now.

## **WILL SANDERS/POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Police Chief Will Sanders reported that Mark Graves has had a heart cath but no stints. He complimented Shawn Evans, Jimmy Wilson, and Steve Gosney for work well done in the arrest of Steven Bell and the recovery of over 4000 hydrocodone tablets. Will stated that the Police Department will enforce the new fireworks law.

## **BRET FISHER/LIGHT & WATER DEPARTMENT**

Bret Fisher reported that the WTIA mid-year meeting will be at Crenshaw's on July 30 at 5:30 p.m. A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to make a water rate adjustment later in the year to cover expenses that are coming. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all. A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to hire Amy Avery to fill the vacancy as the customer service representative for the department. This motion was seconded by Alderman Overall and passed by all. A motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to authorize a raise of \$1.25 to top out Dennis Albea. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all.

## **RICHARD GOSSUM/CITY ATTORNEY**

Richard reported that the Health and Educational Facilities Board needs to meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in July and that the Harold Gunn case will be heard on July 7, 2008.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Burriss reported that the Enhancement Grant to repair the gazebo at Oakland cemetery has been approved. The City will be responsible for \$10,000.00 to match the State's \$15,000.00 to repair the gazebo.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Hammonds to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Alderman Jackson and passed by all.

**ADJOURN 7:14 P.M.**

