

**Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting  
Monday, May 20, 2013  
Municipal Building - Court Room**

- (1) **Call to Order:** The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, May 20, 2013 in the Municipal Building Court Room at 7:00 p.m. Mayor John Holden presided. The meeting opened with prayer by Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. Mayor Holden noted all were present.
- (2) **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the May 6, 2013 meeting were approved on a motion by Alderman Bart Williams, followed by a second from Alderwoman Jewell Horner. The motion passed approving the minutes.
- (3) **New Business:**

**a. Attorney Invoice – April 1, 2013 to April 30, 2013.**

Mayor Holden presented an invoice from the City Attorney's office to be approved for payment. The April 1, 2013 to April 30, 2013 invoice totaled \$6,468.75. Alderman Bart Williams made a motion to approve the payment, with a second by Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. The motion passed by full Board approval.

**b. Bids – Greg Williams – Purchasing Agent, City of Dyersburg.**

1. Department: Water Plant  
Item: Cleaning of Water Well #9  
Purpose: Increase capacity and prolong life of well  
Budgeted: Yes  
Notification – State Gazette – Direct to 3 vendors  
Bids: Mid-South Water & Machine Works    No Response  
National Water Services                      \$22,765.00  
Layne-Central                                      \$12,412.00

Recommendation: Mr. Williams recommended awarding the payment to Layne- Christenson Co., Memphis, at \$12,412.00. A motion to approve the recommendation as presented before the Board was made by Alderman Bob Kirk, with a second by Alderwoman Joan Wyatt. The motion passed by full Board approval.

**c. Joint Recreation & Street Committee Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2013 – Chairman Bart Williams & Chairwoman Jewell Horner**

Alderman Bart Williams presented the minutes of the joint Recreation & Street Committees meeting. From the reading of the minutes Alderman Williams motioned to approve the Committee recommendation

for the addition of bicycle lanes on the Lake road resurfacing project. A second was made by Robert Taylor, Jr. The Board voted to approve the motion with the exception of Alderman Kevin Chaney who voted against the motion.

**d. Dyersburg Police Department Update: Lt. Billy Williams.**

Because of a series of recent shootings in the last three weeks, Lt. Billy Williams of the Dyersburg Police Department discussed events of a May 2 (an armed robbery at Junior Food Mart) and a May 11, 2013 shooting event in the City.

Lt. Williams provided descriptive information of both incidents. A DPD investigation into the May 2, 2013 has resulted in the arrest of two individuals. Community citizens providing tips and Crime Stoppers information helped lead to the arrests.

Lt. Williams additionally reported five shootings that occurred in the early morning hours of May 11, 2013.

Because of these shootings the DPD has stepped up its patrol of those areas that has resulted in 11 arrests. He stated that the City Curfew for minors would be strictly enforced and appealed to parents to keep up with the whereabouts of their children.

It was noted by Mayor John Holden that the curfew is in effect after 10 p.m. on weekdays and 11 p.m. on weekends, with specific exceptions for minors who are traveling home from work with a note from a parent or work supervisor.

**Report from Alderman and Alderwomen:**

**Alderman Bob Kirk:** announced the simultaneous play of the Dyersburg High School and Dyer County baseball team who are playing in the state tournament this week in Murfreesboro, TN. He remarked as to how fortunate and unique to have two teams from the same county in the tournament.

**Alderman Bart Williams:** commended Coach Tom Mathis for his State tournament bound winning baseball team and suggested the Board have to have a "coach Mathis night" celebrating his remarkable 25-year career. Additionally he thanked the DPD for their efforts with their seizure of two guns found in the Bruce Community. He further stated that these guns could easily have ended up in the hands of children. He implored parents to know where their children are and maintain respect for safety and the law.

**Alderman Terry Glover:** announced the 4 p.m. time of the state baseball game for DHS on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 in Smyrna, Tn. Glover also reminded everyone that the DHS graduation is Thursday evening May 23, 2013.

**Alderman Kevin Chaney:** No report.

**Alderman Jewell Horner:** inquired if the City has received its latest audit report. Mayor Holden stated that the City received the report earlier in the day and it would be distributed at the Wednesday, May 22, 2013 Finance committee meeting.

**Alderman Dennis Moody:** commented that the City has torn down additional houses that needed to be torn down, and as a result the City looks better for the effort the Mayor has put forth in this needed area of concern.

**Alderman Joan Wyatt:** No report.

**Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr.:** expressed concern that when residents appropriately properly place their household waste for curbside pickup, often results in other individuals who come and scatter that garbage in search for other items. He asked the Mayor as to who is responsible for that cleanup. Mayor Holden responded that it was currently the City's responsibility, however, the City Codes Department has been charged with the strengthening of the City's existing codes. He further stated the City feels it should be the responsibility of the property owner.

**Communications from the Mayor:**

- discussed an issue brought up by Alderman Kevin Chaney at a prior held Board meeting. It appears a company is offering insurance coverage for water lines from the meter to the citizen's home structure. Mayor Holden reported that the City is in no way affiliated with this business identified as HomeServe. Additionally, he stated the City does not endorse the business.

- announced this week as National Public Works week, and read a City official proclamation acknowledging public works employees. A luncheon on Friday, May 24, 2013 will be held to recognize public work employees.

- announced that fire hydrants would be flushed in the City throughout the month of May. Citizens may call 311 or (731) 288-0724, for any concerns or questions.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

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John Holden, Mayor

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Robert C. Jones, City Recorder