

**Board of Mayor and Aldermen Meeting April 16, 2018
Dyersburg Municipal Court Room**

- (1) **Call to Order:** The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, April 16, 2018 in the Dyersburg Municipal Court Room at 7:00 p.m. Mayor John Holden presided over the meeting. The meeting opened with by Alderman Scott Staggs. Mayor Holden noted all Aldermen were present with the exception of Alderman Bob Kirk.

- (2) **Approval of Minutes:**

Mayor Holden called for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 2, 2018 meeting. Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. made a motion to approve the minutes. Alderman Bill Escue seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

- (3) **Unfinished Business:** None presented.

- (4) **New Business**

a. Public Hearing - Beer Permit

**NISHU INC
DBA JR Mart
1025 Harrell Avenue
Dyersburg, TN 38024**

Mayor Holden announced that this was a public hearing for this permit request. Dyersburg Police Chief, Steve Isbell presented information stating that the background investigation of the beer permit applicant showed no reason for the applicant to be denied from obtaining a beer permit for the business. Being this was noticed as a public hearing, Mayor Holden called for any persons to speak regarding this permit application. No public comment was presented. Mayor Holden entertained a motion for approval of the application. Alderman Kevin Chaney made a motion to approve the application, followed by a second from Alderman Mike Morgan. The motion passed by full Board vote.

b. Notice of Public Hearing – May 7, 2018 – An Ordinance amending the text of the Dyersburg Municipal Zoning Ordinance by amending the height requirements for billboards.

Mayor Holden noticed the public of the ordinance and called for a motion to approve the public hearing. Alderman Dennis Moody made a motion to approve the application, followed by a second from Alderman Terry Glover. The motion passed. Alderman Chaney abstained from voting.

c. Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes – April 6, 2018 – Chairman Terry Glover

Chairman Terry Glover presented the following minutes:

Recreation and Finance Committees Meeting

City of Dyersburg

Friday, April 6, 2018

The Recreation and the Finance Committees met at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 6, 2018 in the City Hall Second Floor Conference Room.

Committee Members Present: Mayor John Holden, Terry Glover, Dennis Moody, Scott Staggs.

Other Aldermen and Staff: Aldermen Mike Morgan, Robert Taylor Jr., Kevin Chaney, Andy Baker, Victor Mclin, Parks and Recreation, Brandon Hutcheson, State Gazette, Steve Anderson, Treasurer, Scott Ball, Storm Water and Construction Inspector, Greg Williams, Purchasing, Steve Isbell, Dyersburg Police Chief,

Community attendees: See attached Attendance Record.

The meeting opened with prayer, followed by a discussion to finalize projects for application of the 2018 LPRF Grant. Scott Ball re-discussed the response of the recent community meetings regarding the public sentiment regarding the status of the Bruce pool and the grant objectives of building spray parks.

He noted that the final project application is to be submitted in twelve days. There was significant discussion from community citizens in attendance. Significant points of discussion included the following:

- A 500-signature petition to repair and upgrade to ADA standards the Bruce pool, construct a splash pad at Bruce, build a spray pad at Future City.
- The Bruce pool would be open as routinely schedule this summer 2018.

- The City is developing a new Master Plan for all of the City's parks and recreation services in conjunction with the new City's National Disaster and Resiliency grant, that will include a maintenance component
- Noted the maximum amount of funding that can be requested in the 2018 LPRF grant is \$500,000.00, and the amount must be met with a 50% match by the City funding. It was noted that \$500,000.00 may not be enough funding to support a Bruce pool upgrade, and the construction of 4 slash parks.

At the conclusion of discussion Mayor Holden made a motion to move forward with final application plans for repair and ADA upgrade to the Bruce pool, and construct a spray pad at the Farmer's Market for the City of Dyersburg.

Alderman Terry Glover seconded the motion which passed by full committee vote.

With no other business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Alderman Glover motioned to move forward with final application plans for repair and ADA upgrade to the Bruce pool, and construct a spray pad at the Forked Deer River Park for the City of Dyersburg. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mike Morgan. Mayor Holden called for any discussion. Alderman Taylor asked the Mayor if this action would provide for a new pool at the Bruce community. Mayor Holden acknowledged that the pool would be upgraded to Americans with Disabilities Act standards as required. He noted that appropriate repairs would be made including concrete replacement. Alderman Taylor asked if new restrooms would be constructed. Mayor Holden noted that new restrooms would be in the plans. Alderman Taylor asked for any comments from those in attendance. No comment was made from the audience. Mayor Holden called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed.

d. Street and Sanitation Committee Meeting Minutes – April 10, 2018 – Chairman Mike Morgan

Chairman Mike Morgan presented the following minutes:

Street/Sanitation Committee Meeting

City of Dyersburg

April 10, 2018

The Street/Sanitation Committee met Tuesday April 10, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Hall second floor conference room.

Members Present Included: Mayor John Holden, Bill Escue, Kevin Chaney, and Committee Chairman Mike Morgan.

Other Alderman Board Members: Terry Glover, Bob Kirk, Robert Taylor, Jr.

Staff and Others Present: Steve Isbell, Dyersburg Police Chief, Greg Williams, Purchasing, Brandon Hutcherson, State Gazette, Mike McCulloch, Street and Water Department Superintendent, Steve Anderson, Treasurer, Scott Ball, Storm Water and Construction Inspector, Tiffany Heard, City engineer.

The committee convened with prayer and heard discussion of the Rolling Meadows Subdivision Study. The study was commissioned by the Street and Sanitation Committee.

Tiffany Heard presented the results of the SSR engineering study of the drainage issue primarily affecting the property at 166 Woodside Lane. A field study of the drainage conveyance system to determine:

- Cross sections
- Pipe and culvert dimensions
- Flow lines
- Top elevation of structures
- And several finished floor elevations of residences filing flooding complaints

A storm water model was built using national and local data from NOAA, NRCS, LIDAR, and GIS to model 2, 10, 25, and 100-year 24-hour storm events.

Data calculations, plus on-site staff video recording and observations concluded and confirmed that the first 190 feet of 26- inch by 43-inch arch pipe does not have the capacity to convey the storm water from a 25-year storm. SSR engineering recommends that because of the depth issue for underground drainage installation, the most cost-effective solution is to install another run of arch pipe parallel to the existing pipe (at both locations of concern) to bring the system up to adequate capacity. Additionally, staff recommended removing the wall of the concrete ditch and replacing it with grass embankments rounding out the current 90 degrees turn. This action will handle greater capacity and conveyance. Additionally, the property owner was advised to remove a small berm that tends to prevent rain water flow water from entering the ditch flow conveyance away from the home garage.

Alderman Kevin Chaney made a motion to put the project out for bid and attempt to include the project into the budget for 2018-19. Alderman Bill Escue seconded the motion which passed by full vote of the committee.

Alderman Mike Morgan made a motion to put the project out for bid and attempt to include the project into the budget for 2018-19. Alderman Bill Escue seconded the motion which passed by full vote of the Board. After the vote, Alderman Morgan commented that he would like for Mr. Ball, and the city engineer to meet with the property owner (Mr. Charlie Whitnel) on the east side of the proposed construction area for the project to inform him of the city's project. Mayor Holden stated that he and Mr. Ball had spoken with Mr. Whitnel Friday, April 13, 2018. However, he stated that they would speak with him again.

Additional discussions included the following:

- a. Persistent storm water pooling behind specific residences located on Victory Street. It was noted that the property was visited by representatives from the Municipal Technical Assistance Service (MTAS), and MTAS determined the property was private property without any easement. MTAS advised the city by official letter that the issue was a civil issue outside of city responsibility. The property was ordered surveyed by the city engineer. Results showed the property in question was 5 feet below the surface of adjacent street levels, and the design was a flaw in its original development conception. It was further noted there is no possible way to drain the water off the property without significant owner expense and perpetual maintenance. No actions were taken by the committee. However, the committee requested Mayor Holden send a cover letter and copy of the MTAS letter to Randy Burrow (the property owner) to explain the city position on the matter.
- b. Alderman Bob Kirk addressed the committee with two requests. He asked the committee to refer the need for street repair funding in the 2018-19 budget discussion for Aztec Drive. The city engineer has determined that continuous paving have raised the street level beyond the capacity for the existing curb to adequately convey rainfall, as originally designed, to the end of the cul-de-sac. Milling down and resurfacing will alleviate the problem. The committee agreed to review the requests during the budget meetings.
- c. Alderman Kirk noted that Aztec Drive was not a wide street and some residents park on the street with commercial trailers causing a hazard. He asked Chief Isbell to assist his concern by reviewing the current street ordinance and making a determination for the hazard and flow of traffic. Chief Isbell agreed to assist Mr. Kirk in the matter. No action was taken by the Committee.
- d. Engineering and Storm Water informed the committee that the State of Tennessee (TDEC) had renewed efforts to enforce operation mandates at landfills across the state. Mandates not properly enforced are not being presented for enforcement. The city is currently receiving and responding to citations for corrective actions. They noted the city is responding accordingly to the mandates as presented issued. No actions were required by the committee. The meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.
- e. **Gas/Water/Sewer Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2018 – Chairman Terry Glover.**

Chairman Terry Glover presented the following minutes:

Gas/Water/Sewer Committee Meeting

City of Dyersburg

April 13, 2018

The Gas/Water/Sewer Committee met Friday, April 13, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in the City Hall second floor conference room.

Members Present: Mayor John Holden, Aldermen Kevin Chaney, Robert Taylor, Jr., and Terry Glover.

Others Present: Scott Ball, Engineering/Construction Storm Water Inspector, Mike McCulloch, Street/Water/Sewer, Greg Williams, Purchasing, Steve Anderson, Treasurer, Brandon Hutcheson, State Gazette, Michael Hunter, Gas Department.

The meeting opened with prayer.

New Business:

Items to be discussed: Dyersburg Community Block Development Grant (CDBG), Disaster Resiliency Grant and Request to Bid a new gas line on Highway 104 West (Ford Asphalt Plant).

Scott Ball presented results from the official bid meetings held at the City Public Works conference room. All requests for bids were placed in the Dyersburg State Gazette newspaper, and in two planning rooms. The following results represent the lowest bidders in each category, and/or the only bid per each category:

Disaster Resiliency Grant

1. Replace deteriorating Grit Removal System equipment at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

| Company | Total Bid | ADD. NO. 1 | Bonds/Certifications |
|-------------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Water SERV, Newbern, TN | 119,207.00 | 0 | yes |

2. Rehabilitation of Sewer Collection System (Sewer Piping)

| Company | Total Bid | ADD. NO. 1 | Bonds/Certifications |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------|----------------------|
| SAK, Nashville, TN | 1,832,323.20 | yes | yes |
| Insituform | 2,759,666.95 | yes | yes |
| Layne | 1,925,340.00 | yes | yes |
| VacVision | 2,6000,869.13 | yes | yes |

3. Rehabilitation of Sewer Collection System (Sewer Manholes) in the South Town community of Dyersburg.

| Company | Total Bid | ADD. NO. 1 | Bonds/Certifications |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Culy Construction, Winchester, TN | 216,915.00 | yes | yes |
| CK Masonry | 230,120.00 | yes | yes |
| Marbury | 370,901.00 | Yes | yes |

4. Replace deteriorating Weir for #3 Intermediate and #3 Primary Clarifier equipment at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

| Company | Total Bid | ADD. NO. 1 | Bonds/Certifications |
|-------------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Water SERV, Newbern, TN | 266,580.00 | N/A | yes |

Mr. Ball noted that the NDR sewer construction grant portion is funded at 2.4 million dollars, and the combined bid totals are \$2,435,025.00.

The committee discussed each proposal and a motion was made by Alderman Kevin Chaney, with a second by Mayor Holden to approve the (4) bid proposals. The motion passed by full vote and will be presented before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

Mr. Ball further informed the committee that since 2008 the Waste Water Treatment Plant facility upgrades are nearly complete.

Alderman Terry Glover made a motion to approve the (4) bid proposals as presented. Alderman Kevin Chaney seconded the motion which passed by full vote of the Board.

Request to bid new gas line on Highway 104 West (Ford Asphalt Plant).

A request has been made by Ford Construction Company, Paving Division to extend the Dyersburg gas line to the Highway 104 West from Highway 51 By-Pass to the Ford Asphalt plant. Mr. Michael Hunter shared specific information as to the need to fulfill request including the installation parameters involved in the construction. He noted city engineering had evaluated and approved the proposal which will utilize a dedicated six-inch pipe line the entire distance to the regulator station.

A motion was made by Alderman Kevin Chaney to put the project out for bid. The motion was seconded by Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. The motion passed unanimously by the committee. The action will be recommended for Board approval.

Alderman Terry Glover made a motion to approve putting the project out for bid. Alderman Mike Morgan seconded the motion which passed by full vote of the Board.

In other non-agenda business, the following was discussed:

- Greg Williams updated the committee on the status of natural gas purchasing rates and the downward trend in consumer use with warmer than usual winters experienced. He noted that because the city participates in a purchasing program through MuniGas, the city has been able to save money in natural gas purchases, resulting in a cost savings since 2008 of approximately three million dollars. The savings have been directly passed on to customers. Additionally, Mr. Williams provided a chart comparison survey of natural gas rates of area gas systems. The information showed that out of eleven West Tennessee cities, Dyersburg was the third lowest in customer charge.
- Mayor Holden discussed a private party contractor who has contacted the city offering “backflow testing” services to the city. From discussion, the committee determined that the city has and continues to provide the service to the citizens at no cost, and the city services is the most appropriate service at this time.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Alderman Mike Morgan, as well as, Mayor Holden extended appreciation to Mr. Williams Mr. Williams for his efforts to provide cost savings to the city.

f. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2018 – Chairman Kevin Chaney

Chairman Kevin Chaney presented the following minutes:

Finance Committee Meeting

City of Dyersburg

Friday, April 13, 2018

The Finance Committee met at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, April 13, 2018 in the City Hall Second Floor conference room.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Kevin Chaney, Aldermen Bob Kirk, Terry Glover, and Mayor John Holden.

Other Aldermen in Attendance: Aldermen Mike Morgan, Robert Taylor, Jr., Greg Williams, Purchasing, Brandon Hutcherson, State Gazette, Steve Anderson, Treasurer, Kevin Howell, Alexander Thompson Arnold.

Chairman Kevin Chaney called the meeting to order noting the meeting agenda was to receive and review the Audit Report ended June 30, 2017. Steve Anderson distributed the 2016-17 audit report completed by ATA. Mr. Howell of ATA presented an overview of sections within the bound copy. Highlighted for review were the following areas:

- Opinion letter from ATA
- Management discussion
- Net position assets
- Liabilities
- Findings and responses

Findings were noted in the audit of the Dyersburg City Schools, Dyersburg Electric System, and the City of Dyersburg. All findings have been discussed with the organizations. Each finding noted specific corrective recommendations and organization responses. Mr. Howell referenced a specific finding within the City audit for further discussion as follows:

It was noted that the City has an outstanding interfund liability due from the School Capital Project Fund to the Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$500,000. This balance is the result of funds disbursed from the City to the Dyersburg City School System for construction of a new baseball/softball building at Dyersburg High school. The funds are to be repaid by the Dyersburg City Schools at \$50,000.00/yr. over a ten-year period.

Mr. Howell explained that Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA) 9-21-601 requires a governing body to receive authorization from the State Comptroller's office before issuing new long-term debt. The City did not comply with TCA 9-21-601 in connection with obtaining appropriate authorization and approval from the State Comptroller's Office.

The source of funding for this fund is a portion of the local sales tax which is designated for the school system. In the past the City has made transfers from this fund to the school system for capital project activity.

Mayor Holden presented an historical listing of similar transactions dating back to 1993 between the City of Dyersburg and the Dyersburg City School System which totals 6.5 million dollars.

The City operates a fund that pays debt service for the Dyersburg City School System. Mr. Howell discussed several options going forward to comply with the State requirements relating to authorization for issuance of new long-term debt or consider other options to satisfy the debt obligation on the books between the City and the School.

It was suggested that the city may want to explore the possibility of approving a transfer of these funds during this fiscal year 2017-18 to satisfy the debt obligation between the two entities.

Mayor Holden motioned to forgive the loan debt and initiate an inter-account transfer that would permanently remove the finding. Alderman Bob Kirk seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the committee.

Mr. Howell ended his discussion noting recommendations to strengthen the controls of payroll backup, and specific billing procedures. He noted this had already been discussed with Steve Anderson and actions plans had been implemented.

Other non-agenda discussion included the following:

- Discussed the City of Dyersburg Pension Plan current liability. Information from June 30, 2016 was \$34,427,086, and net position \$3,267,837. It was noted the numbers have moved some. Mr. Howell discussed the net pension liability has moved from \$34.3 million in 2014, \$37.5 million in 2015, then went down to \$31.1 million in 2016.
- Mayor Holden acknowledged Steve Anderson and the City of Dyersburg is in compliance with the State of Tennessee Municipal Finance Officer Certification and Education Act of 2007.
- Mayor Holden praised Steve Anderson on the reduction of debt in 2007 of 13.7 million to 6.1 million currently.
- Mayor Holden further noted that the Solid Waste Fund is debt free.
- Updated the committee on the recently amended proposal from the County Mayors' Association that was brought before the State House Finance Committee earlier in the week. The proposal was to amend the online collections tax where 75 percent would go toward counties, while the remainder would go to cities.
- Mayor Holden stated the recent amendment by the County Mayors' Association to be presented include taking 5 percent of state-shared taxes sent to municipalities starting in 2019, with a 5 percent increase each year for 10 years. He encouraged everyone to contact their state representative and senator about the issue, which will again be presented in the upcoming week.
- Discussed an upcoming \$240,000.00 tax revenue loss from the sale of Tennova-Dyersburg to status of West Tennessee Healthcare.

With no further business, the committee adjourned at 12:37 a.m.

Alderman Kevin Chaney made a motion to approve forgiving the loan debt and initiate an inter-account transfer that would permanently remove the finding. Alderman Scott Staggs seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the Board.

In following discussion, Alderman Chaney asked the question (referencing the minutes from the April 13, 2018 Finance committee, page 1, Paragraph 4), if the Finance committee should have

approved the action, then sending the request to the state comptroller's office. Mayor Holden noted the historical data presented at the meeting had all been done in-house without any board or committee approval. He noted the city had contacted the Comptroller Office did get their approval. Mayor Holden noted that in moving forward he had no problem in notifying the committee.

Once completing the committee minutes, Alderman Chaney referred back to the historical data of the transfers mentioned in the April 13 meeting.

"I guess my question is, should we have as a committee approve that then send it to the Comptroller?" asked Alderman Chaney.

"The historical data that we found it was all done in house without any board approval or committee approval," replied the mayor. "Obviously, we talked about that at the meeting on Friday that we investigated that. It has been done before through previous administrations. The City School System was willing to do that. We contacted Nashville and got their approval to do it. But obviously, it was a finding in the audit.

"Going forward, I don't mind letting the committee or board know about it," he added.

Chaney mentioned that he had read in the City Charter that he believed alluded to the topic.

"I don't want to get into a situation where the Board is excluded from a transfer," said Alderman Chaney.

Mayor Holden reiterated that there were Board members aware of the transfer.

"Not all board members were excluded," stated Mayor Holden. "Some of them knew about it and agreed with it.

"I don't know specifically in the charter what you're alluding to. Would you like to share that with us?"

Alderman Chaney then noted he was referring to Section 17 entitled "Contracts", C-30, which refers to contracts, of the City Charter and read, "Be it further enacted, That the Board of Mayor and Aldermen may make all necessary and proper contracts for corporate purposes and uses, which shall be made in the name of the corporation and signed by the Mayor and Recorder, and no person shall have power to create any liability against the corporation except by express authority of the Board conferred at a meeting duly and regularly convened."

Alderman Chaney continued on with Section 18, entitled "Expenditure of Corporate Funds", and read, "No money shall be drawn from the treasury by anyone except for purchases and expenditures of the municipality which have been approved by the corporation in accordance with the provision of this charter and the general state laws."

“I think the key words there are ‘may make’ and ‘shall make’,” said the mayor. “But we can get an opinion about that.”

e. Bids – Greg Williams, Purchasing Agent.

1. Department: Solid Waste - Landfill
Item: Engine Replacement
Purpose: Repair emergency backup generator for leachate pumps
Budgeted: No – Repair & Maintenance
Notification: State Gazette – Direct to 4 Vendors
Bids: J & P Machine No Response
 Century Equipment No Bid
 Thompson Power \$24,400.00
 CAM Electric \$14,128.00

Recommendation: Mr. Williams recommended awarding the bid to CAM Electric, Union City, TN at \$14,128.00. He further noted that he had priced out the cost of replacing with a new generator and the lowest price was \$36,000.00. He determined that rebuilding the current generator engine would be the most cost-effective option and ideally last for many more years. Mr. Williams stated the city had a mobile generator that could be temporarily used while the rebuild occurs, and the city may want to place the cost into next year’s budget.

Mayor Holden entertained a motion for approval of the bid. Alderman Mike Morgan made a motion to approve the bid as presented, followed by a second from Alderman Dennis Moody. The motion passed by full Board vote.

2. Department: Industrial Park RR
Item: Various track repairs
Purpose: Correct defects found by CN inspector
Budgeted: No
Notification: Emergency Repair to prevent shutdown – Direct to 3 Vendors
Bids: TennKen RR No Bid
 Shelby Railroad Service \$35,125.00
 Lone Star Railroad Contractors \$20,000.00

Recommendation: Mr. Williams recommended awarding the bid to Lone Star Railroad Contractors, Ennis, TX, at \$20,000.00.

Mr. Williams was asked by Alderman Morgan the last time repair had occurred. He noted repair had occurred within the past six months, and the city could anticipate more

frequent and stringent citations from the CN inspection, because new guidelines have been implemented.

Mayor Holden entertained a motion for approval of the bid. Alderman Kevin Chaney made a motion to approve the bid as presented, followed by a second from Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr. The motion passed by full Board vote.

After, the vote Alderman Morgan asked Mr. Williams for an update regarding Jenny Bell School demolition. Mr. Williams noted that the city has determined the 1989 asbestos survey data, reported by the school system, may not have reflected the entire conditions. He stated the 1989 survey appears to have only that information reflecting the impact and exposure concerns related to the student population. He feels the survey is not accurate. Currently, the city is awaiting a final survey report from the contractor the city has secured for a final survey and cost estimate for asbestos removal. He stated that there is a potential from the upcoming survey results that may require the city to re-evaluate the prior bid proposal and determine a more effective and cost-efficient method for the project.

Reports from Aldermen:

Aldermen Bob Kirk: Not present.

Alderman Bill Escue: No report.

Alderman Terry Glover: No report.

Alderman Kevin Chaney: No report.

Alderman Mike Morgan: Inquired about the status of request to the city attorney several months prior regarding the city ordinance of properties with junked vehicles. Mayor Holden the city has not received a response to date.

Alderman Dennis Moody: No report.

Alderman Scott Staggs: No report.

Alderman Robert Taylor, Jr: Asked Mayor Holden about a volunteer citizen committee formation from the Bruce community. He noted the subject had been brought up in recent community meetings. Mayor Holden responded that he had not made a decision yet and expressed his lack of support for such a committee, because it creates another layer of bureaucracy. Alderman Taylor asked who makes the decision, the Mayor or the Board in these matters. Mayor Holden stated that several committees are called for in the City Charter. Additionally, Alderman Taylor asked about a request by several people for a copy of the past

TVA survey that involved the Bruce community participation. Mayor Holden stated that he was waiting to receive to e-mail addresses from specific individuals who requested the information but had not received the addresses to date. He asked mayor Holden for a copy as well.

In other comments, Alderman Taylor re-discussed a property drainage issue recognizing Ms. Deborah Taylor (316 St. George Avenue). Ms. Taylor came before the board March 19, 2018 and discussed her need for relief from localized water flooding upon her residential property. Mayor Holden noted that Ms. Taylor came to visit with him at his office to discuss her issue, and it was turned over to the Codes Department as a first order of city response.

Mayor Holden stated the alley behind her property has been closed for some time. Also, her next-door neighbor created a barrier that has redirected the flow of water away from the alley area, restricting the water flow from her property. Mayor Holden noted that he and Codes and Street departments have reviewed the situation, and determined the problem is a civil matter between the property owners. He further noted the problem was similar to the water detention matter on private property on Victory Street.

Communications from the Mayor:

- Acknowledged the success of the Saturday April 14, 2018 Dogwood Dash event as part of an April month long celebration. He thanked all participants and volunteers who assisted in this year's event.
- Announced the "Pedal and Blooms" bicycle ride scheduled for Saturday April 21, 2018. The event will stage at the Dyer County Fairgrounds and involve riding marathons of 20, 30, and 65-mile ride events.
- Announced the May 3, 2018 Mayor's National Day of Prayer to be held at the Dyersburg First Baptist Church at 6:30 a.m. This is the 67th national annual event and the 38th held annually in Dyersburg/Dyer County. He encouraged all to attend.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

John Holden, Mayor

Robert C. Jones, City Recorder