

**City of Dyersburg
Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Monday, August 1, 2022**

1. **Call to Order:** The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 1, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Dyersburg Municipal Court Room. Mayor John Holden called the meeting to order. All members were present except for Alderman Dennis Moody. The meeting opened with a prayer by Alderman James Baltimore.
2. **Approval of Minutes – July 18, 2022:** Mayor John Holden called for a motion to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2022, meeting. Alderwoman Mary Claire Hopper made a motion to approve the minutes and Alderman Willie Cole seconded the motion. All were in favor.
3. **Unfinished Business**

A. Distribution of New Garbage Bins and Automated Service – Greg Wilson

Dyersburg Mayor John Holden asked City Sanitation Supervisor Greg Wilson to provide an update on the distribution of the new garbage bins and automated service.

“It has been a busy month,” said Wilson. “Everything seems to be going smooth with the rollout of the new cans. I think we are down to around 1,000 cans to distribute. We’ve had a lot of positive feedback and some negative. We have had about 50-60 turn in hardship applications. If you get questions about those, we need to make sure everyone in the household gets a doctor’s statement, fills out one of these [hardship] forms, and turns them back to us. Trucks are ready to roll out, hopefully we will get distribution completed Wednesday (Aug. 3), and we’ll be out with the trucks Monday (Aug. 8) morning. That is what I’m hoping for.”

Alderman Edward Burks said he received his garbage bin Monday and noted the door hanger which listed his day of pickup was inside of his can. He encouraged residents to check the inside of their cans for the card and note there may be a change in their pickup day.

Wilson reminded residents to set their cans out by 6 a.m. on their pickup day and place the container 2-3 ft. from the road and away from a mailbox, fence, telephone pole or structure.

Baltimore also asked if the resident could add a personalized marking on their can, such as a sticker, to differentiate their can from others in the event the can is taken by someone else. Wilson noted each can has a serial number assigned to the address and noted the current Ordinance does not allow it.

Alderman Ricky Hammond noted several residents have taken a photo of the serial number to keep for their records.

The garbage bins belong to the City of Dyersburg, which is not charging residents for the initial can. Baltimore asked if residents could purchase the can from the City, to which Wilson replied they could not.

Additionally, the property owner would also be responsible for the container.

“This is us doing this – this is not an outside contractor. It is City employees,” added Mayor Holden. “We have said it numerous times – this is a big change for our community. We just ask people to be patient with us.”

B. Resolution 08012022

Mayor Holden also presented Resolution 08012022 regarding the allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

“This is a resolution for the ARPA money and allows us to spend on items listed in section one. This is a housekeeping item,” he explained.

The City of Dyersburg was notified it would receive funding in the amount of \$4,840,583.42 which can be used for items such as public service and public safety personnel, infrastructure improvements, parks and recreation improvements, professional consultant service, or all activities consistent with the provision of government services.

Alderwoman Vanedda Webb motioned to approve the resolution with a second from Alderman Ricky Hammond. The motion passed. All were in favor.

4. New Business

A. Bids – Greg Williams

- Storm Drainage/ Stormwater retention basin at Okeena Park

The item would improve drainage across Country Club Rd. Notification was not given as the project was inadvertently left out of the budget and would require a budget amendment.

Mayor Holden explained, “This was a project that was bid during last budget year. We failed to bring it over to this budget, and we are going to have to do a budget amendment anyway.”

Alderman Burks asked if the basin would affect the walking trail?

“No. The basin is at the corner of Country Club Lane and Lake Road,” replied City Recorder Scott Ball.”

Notification was given to the State Gazette and to plan rooms. The recommendation was to award the bid to Bennett Excavation of Dyersburg in the amount of 49,402.25.

A motion to approve the bid was made by Alderman Baltimore and seconded by Alderwoman Hopper. All were in favor.

Alderwoman Gilbert asked, “If this was for the previous budget year, what is the reasoning we did not take care of this last year?”

“We got the bids late and could not get the work done,” replied Mayor Holden. “The contractor was unable to get everything together to get done by the end of the (fiscal) year. Even though it was bid last year, work must be complete by June 30, and we just could not do it.”

The remaining bids did not require board approval as they were budgeted items.

- Runway End Indicator Lights at the airport

Notification was not given due to using the sole source provider for existing runway light system. The bid was awarded to ADB Safegate of Columbus, OH in the amount of \$22,998.04

- Tractor for Water Treatment Plant

Notification was not given due to using the Sourcewell Contract. Bid was awarded to First Choice Farm & Lawn of Dyersburg in the amount of \$45,647.40.

- Mower for Water Treatment Plant

Notification was not given due to using the Sourcewell Contract. Bid was awarded to First Choice Farm & Lawn of Dyersburg in the amount of \$13,082.

- Utility Vehicle for Recreation Department

Notification was not given due to using the Sourcewell Contract. Bid was awarded to First Choice Farm & Lawn of Dyersburg in the amount of \$18,409.85.

REPORT FROM ALDERMEN AND ALDERWOMEN

James Baltimore: Alderman Baltimore encouraged everyone to exercise their right to vote Thursday.

Edward Burks: No report

Willie Cole: No report

Meghan Gilbert: No report

Ricky Hammond: No report

Mary Claire Hopper: Alderwoman Hopper thanked Wilson and his crew for their work. She also encouraged residents to take a photo of the new can serial number.

Dennis Moody: Absent

Vanessa Webb: No report
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Mayor John Holden



Scott Ball, City Recorder