

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2012

The Jackson, Tennessee, City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 7, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in the George A. Smith Meeting Room at City Hall with Mayor Jerry Gist and Councilmembers Charles “Pepper” Bray; David Cisco; Scott Conger; Johnny Dodd; Vicky Foote; and Charles Rahm present. Councilmembers Ernest Brooks II, Harvey Buchanan and Randy Wallace were absent. Also present was Anita Brooks, recorder of the minutes.

Councilmember David Cisco gave the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the January 3, 2012, meeting were approved and signed.

Mayor Gist presented a Mayor’s Commendation Certificate to Charisse Amos for her heroic actions in assisting with the rescue of Councilman Harvey Buchanan from his burning vehicle on January 3, 2012, and advised that a Mayor’s Commendation Certificate would be presented to Cris Malone, Jr., who also assisted with the rescue, at a later date since he was not present at the meeting. Fire Chief Maxie Stewart, Jr. gave a narrative account of the actions that led to the rescue of Councilman Buchanan from the burning vehicle.

Alan Laffoon, City Recorder, briefed the City Council on the proposed sale of 1.0 acres of city surplus property located at 439 Pipkin Road – Map 045, Parcel 16.01, for \$22,500.00, and 1.5 acres of city surplus property located on Pipkin Road – Map 045, Parcel 9.03, for \$15,000.00 to the Broadview Church of Christ and advised that he ran a

notice of the proposed sale in a local newspaper on January 19, 2012. Lewis Cobb, attorney for the City of Jackson, was present and advised that the 1.5 acres of property on Pipkin Road had restricted covenants on it like the other lots in the Evergreen Subdivision and the property had certain stipulations associated with it, one of which gave the seller the right of first refusal, whereas the 1.0 acres of property on Pipkin Road did not have restrictions on its land use or on its method of sale. Danny Sheffield, a deacon at the Broadview Church of Christ, was present and expressed his church members' desire to build a church that would seat 100 to 130 people, if the city approved the sale of the properties to his church. Richard Hollin, representative for the Evergreen Homeowners' Association, was present and expressed opposition to the sale of 1.5 acres of city surplus property located on Pipkin Road to the Broadview Church of Christ for \$15,000.00 on behalf of the homeowners' association that represented the Evergreen Subdivision residents and on behalf of Marsha Dabney, widow of Rhea Dabney, original developer of the Evergreen Subdivision and Vice President of Evergreen, Incorporated. Richard Hollin summarized some of the stipulations that were associated with the 1.5 acres of land located on Pipkin Road and advised that the Evergreen Homeowners' Association (Evergreen West, LTD.) wanted to exercise their option to purchase the 1.5 acres of land on Pipkin Road back from the city for \$15,000.00, as set forth in the terms of the sales agreement with Evergreen West, LTD. and the City of Jackson when the property was purchased in 1991. On the motion of Councilmember Dodd, seconded by Councilmember Foote, the sale of 1.5 acres of city surplus property located on Pipkin Road to the Evergreen Homeowners' Association (Evergreen West, LTD.) for \$15,000.00 was approved 5-0-1, with Councilmember Cisco abstaining. The City Council took no action on the proposed sale of 1.0 acres of city

surplus property located at 439 Pipkin Road to the Broadview Church of Christ for \$22,500.00.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, a proposal to provide matching funds with Madison County to rehabilitate McKellar-Sipes Regional Airport Crosswind Runway 11-29 was approved 5-1, with Councilmember Foote voting nay. The city's portion of the match would be approximately \$94,500.00, if the 10% local funding match of \$189,000.00 was approved by Madison County. Steve Smith, Executive Director of the Jackson Madison County Airport Authority; Bob Maniss, Secretary-Treasurer for the Jackson Madison County Airport Authority; and Randy Hudgings, a consultant for Barge, Waggoner, Sumner and Cannon, Inc., were present. Randy Hudgings advised the three options that were considered for the McKellar-Sipes Regional Airport crosswind runway rehab. Steve Smith advised that 90% of the cost to rehabilitate the runway would come from state funds and the city and county would both have to agree to equally fund the remaining 10% cost to rehabilitate the runway in order for the project to move forward.

On the motion of Councilmember Cisco, seconded by Councilmember Rahm, unanimous approval was given to award a contract to Southern Electric and Controls, LLC, based upon unit pricing, in the amount of \$129,612.15 for material and labor required for the installation of a traffic signal located at North Highland Avenue and Demonbreun Drive, lowest and best bid received.

On the motion of Councilmember Bray, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to award a contract to Bubba Johnson Sand and Gravel, LLC, based upon unit pricing, for fill dirt and fill sand, lowest and best bid received.

On the motion of Councilmember Foote, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to award a contract to West Tennessee Coffee Service for coffee services, lowest and best bid received.

On the motion of Councilmember Conger seconded by Councilmember Cisco, unanimous approval was given to the following FY12 budget amendment requests:

GENERAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-43195-111	Street Cleaning Salaries	257,207.37	36,580.53	293,787.90
110-43195-130	Street Cleaning Benefits	96,700.33	9,439.81	106,140.14
<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-37840	Transfer from Other Funds	2,000,000.00	46,020.34	2,046,020.34
H & S FUND:				
<i>Expenses:</i>				
131-43230-111	H & S Salaries	1,043,352.21	-36,580.53	1,006,771.68
131-43230-130	H & S Benefits	362,459.30	-9,439.81	353,019.49
131-43230-530	Transfer to Other Funds	2,064,500.00	46,020.34	2,110,520.34

Transfer salary and benefits of H & S employee in amount of \$46,020.34 back to Street Cleaning division.

On the motion of Councilmember Rahm, seconded by Councilmember Conger, unanimous approval was given to the following FY12 budget amendment requests:

GENERAL		Current	Amendment	Amended
FUND:		Budget	Request	Budget
<i>Expenses:</i>				
110-41900-295	Lambuth Purchase Expense		1,953,542.75	1,953,542.75
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<i>Revenue:</i>				
110-37900	Fund Balance	545,673.66	1,953,542.75	2,499,216.41

Total payment for Lambuth purchase was \$2,953,542.75. Hospital reimbursed city \$1,000,000.00 for this purchase. Total draw on fund balance will be \$1,953,542.75.

On the motion of Councilmember Bray, seconded by Councilmember Dodd, unanimous approval was given to the payment of invoices over \$10,000.00.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

JERRY GIST, MAYOR