

**MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
JULY 13, 2015 5:15 PM CITY COURTROOM**

BE IT REMEMBERED the regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Martin, Tennessee, was held Tuesday, July 13, 2015 at 5:15 pm in the City Courtroom, when the following was held to wit:

MEMBERS PRESENT: HONORABLE RANDY BRUNDIGE, MAYOR
 HONORABLE RANDY EDWARDS, ALDERMAN WARD III
 HONORABLE DANNY NANNEY, ALDERMAN WARD I
 HONORABLE DAVID SUDBERRY, ALDERMAN WARD II
 HONORABLE REX PATE, ALDERMAN WARD I
 HONORABLE DAVID BELOTE, ALDERMAN WARD II
MEMBERS ABSENT: HONORABLE TERRY HANKINS, ALDERMAN WARD III

Also present: Chief Don Teal, City Recorder Kelly Wilson, Building Official Mike Brundige, Community Development Director Brad Thompson, Public Works Director Marty Ables, Parks and Recreation Director Brian Moore, Library Director Roberta Peacock, Human Resources Director Deborah Yeager, and members of the media David Fischer, Brad Gaskins, and Christopher Ables.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brundige called the Tuesday, July 13, 2015 regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order.

INVOCATION

Alderman Pate gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Belote led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**JUNE 9, 2015
JUNE 30, 2015**

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the minutes of the June 9, 2015 regular meeting as written and asked if there were any additions or deletions. There were none. Therefore, a motion was requested and follows:

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Alderman Nanney made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2015 regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen as written, seconded by Alderman Pate.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the minutes of the June 30, 2015 special call meeting as written and asked if there were any additions or deletions. There were none. Therefore, a motion was requested and follows:

Alderman Sudberry made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2015 special call meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen as written, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF DON TEAL

Chief Teal was present. The Police Department's monthly reports were included in the packets. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

LIBRARY

DIRECTOR ROBERTA PEACOCK

Director Peacock was present. The Library's monthly reports were included in the packets. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Director Peacock announced tonight at 7 pm the library would be hosting a Genealogy on Native American culture. The library's annual report showed circulation was up 5% and electronic books were up 40%.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

DIRECTOR BRAD THOMPSON

Director Thompson was present. The Community Development's monthly report was included in the packets. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Director Thompson announced the open house for the Farmers Market was a big success. All the vendors sold out. Tomorrow morning MBA will host a breakfast on how to best develop an internship.

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Alderman Pate asked if the Farmers Market or the Gateway Center would be available to rent for special events.

Mayor Brundige said the Farmers Market would be available for use but not the Gateway Center

FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF JAMIE SUMMERS

Chief Summers was not present. The Fire Department's monthly report was included in the packets. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

PUBLIC WORKS

DIRECTOR MARTY ABLES

Director Ables was present. The Public Works monthly reports were included in the packets. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Alderman Pate asked - Mr. Brayden, who lives across from the Safe House, has a hole in his front yard, who fixes that?

Director Ables said his crew would take care of it.

PARKS AND RECREATION

DIRECTOR BRIAN MOORE

Director Moore was present. The Parks and Recreation's monthly report was included in the packets. A copy of this report is attached to the minutes.

Director Moore reported they had a successful open house for the Gateway Center Sunday.

HUMAN RESOURCES

DIRECTOR DEBBIE YEAGER

Director Yeager was present.

ADMINISTRATION

CITY RECORDER KELLY WILSON

Recorder Wilson was present.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

INSPECTOR MIKE BRUNDIGE

Official Brundige was present.

SOYBEAN FESTIVAL

Alderman Belote gave an update on the 2015 TN Soybean Festival. Alderman Belote announced they had a good lineup of entertainment for the main stage. September 8th Mike Snider will be performing after the parade. September 9th is Faith and Community Night. There will also be a 9/11 mobile exhibit that was put together by firemen that were at ground zero on 9/11. September 10th Joan Jett and the Blackhearts will be performing. This is also UTM Student Night and the first UTM home football game. Friday is 80's night and Night Ranger will be performing on the main stage. September 12th Joe Nicholas will be performing. There was a lot of success last year with Disney Day. They were not expecting a large crowd over the Labor Day weekend but about 2,000 people came out. This year we are enhancing Disney Day with a princess and super hero theme. One special event on this day will be the Under the Sea Tea at UTM in the Ballroom. This will be for kids in kindergarten through middle school. This will be a ticketed event, \$25.00. If there is a good initial response there may be an afternoon show too. The Tractor Pull has been on a Friday night the last couple of years, but that doesn't work well in early September with high school football. This year the Tractor Pull will moved to Saturday night in hopes to have a better attendance. On Friday night there will still be fireworks and a group called 7 Bridges, an Eagles Tribute band, will be performing. We will be doing the Guitar Is Art program again this year.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINT DALE OVERTON TO WEAKLEY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to approve appointing Dale Overton to the Weakley County Economic Development Board. Alderman Belote made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Nanney.

Mayor Brundige asked if there was any more discussion from the Board. There was none, therefore a voice vote was requested:

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

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APPROVAL OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF DOG PARK NOT TO EXCEED \$9,900.00

Mayor Brundige added they don't believe the dog park will cost \$9900; they think it will be closer to \$8000. Any project under \$10,000 doesn't have to be bid.

Alderman Sudberry made a motion that the city construct a dog park at the recreation complex not to exceed \$9,900. Alderman Belote seconded this motion.

Mayor Brundige said this idea was passed along from the Parks and Recreation Committee. There are some rotary members that are pushing for this and have already raised some funds for stuff to go in the park. They are ready to go out and raise some more funds. College kids have to keep their pets locked up all day in their apartments and it would be a great advantage to them.

Mayor Brundige asked if there was any more discussion from the Board. There was none, therefore a roll call vote was requested:

FOR:	HONORABLE NANNEY HONORABLE PATE HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE SUDBERRY HONORABLE EDWARDS
AGAINST:	NONE
ABSENT:	HONORABLE HANKINS

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

APPROVE PURCHASE OF LEAF TRUCK

Alderman Edwards applauded Alderman Hankins and the Solid Waste Committee for bringing this service back to the city. Alderman Edwards made a motion that the city purchase a leaf truck. Alderman Pate seconded this motion.

Mayor Brundige announced they did not have a price on the truck yet but will bring one back to the board before they purchase a truck. The truck they are looking at is a one man operation and the price is \$169,000 on it. The blade that attaches on the front to move snow is an extra \$10,000. This truck grinds up the leaves when it sucks them up.

Alderman Pate said they will be glad they have it when they got it.

Alderman Nanney said they will need to order it soon because it takes about 90 days to build it.

Mayor Brundige asked if there was any more discussion from the Board. There was none, therefore a roll call vote was requested:

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FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
HONORABLE PATE
HONORABLE BELOTE
HONORABLE SUDBERRY
HONORABLE EDWARDS
AGAINST: NONE
ABSENT: HONORABLE HANKINS

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

APPROVAL FOR MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH TLM FOR POLICE STATION

Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to allow the mayor to sign a contract with TLM for the police station. Alderman Sudberry made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Belote.

Mayor Brundige explained this would only make the city responsible for paying for the architectural drawings, not the building.

Mayor Brundige asked if there was any more discussion from the Board. There was none, therefore a roll call vote was requested:

FOR: HONORABLE NANNEY
HONORABLE PATE
HONORABLE BELOTE
HONORABLE SUDBERRY
HONORABLE EDWARDS
AGAINST: NONE
ABSENT: HONORABLE HANKINS

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

DATE FOR NEXT CITY BOARD MEETING

Mayor Brundige announced - Informal City Board meeting is scheduled for August 4, 2015 and regular City Board meeting is scheduled for August 10, 2015 at 5:15 pm in the city courtroom.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Alderman Pate scheduled a Cemetery Committee meeting at noon on July 29th.

Inspector Brundige said he went and looked at the gazebo. It will need a new roof, because every time it rains its getting the boards wet. The ramp coming down on the south side is starting to sag and the boards are breaking.

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Mayor Brundige asked if it was dangerous.

Inspector Brundige said the structure was sturdy. It might become dangerous if it keeps leaking.

Alderman Nanney asked if it was repairable.

Inspector Brundige said the gazebo is repairable but comes down to how much the city is willing to pay to repair versus building a new one.

Alderman Edwards said he would like the city to take a look at building a new gazebo in a different spot. Alderman Edwards said the board needed to come up with some cost estimates and see where it could be better used.

Alderman Nanney mentioned putting a new gazebo on a concrete foundation.

Alderman Edwards said that would be a good idea so they wouldn't have to worry about replacing the floor.

Alderman Edwards made a motion to build a new gazebo in a new location that is more user friendly. Alderman Nanney seconded this motion.

Alderman Pate asked if it would be located on the same piece of property.

Mayor Brundige said if they keep it on the same piece of property it would have to be moved back closer to the sidewalk.

Alderman Edwards said they needed to discuss that where it wouldn't interfere with festivities downtown.

Alderman Sudberry said they should defer it until next meeting when they have some more input and cost information.

Mayor Brundige asked if there was any more discussion from the Board. There was none, therefore a voice vote was requested:

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

ADJOURN

Mayor Brundige asked – Is there any other business?

Alderman Nanney made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Edwards.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

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ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Kelly Wilson,
City Recorder

Randy Brundige,
Mayor

RB: KW