

**MARTIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
DECEMBER 14, 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, December 14, 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, Community Development Director Brad Thompson, Fire Chief Jamie Summers, Parks and Recreation Director Brian Moore, Library Director Roberta Peacock, Building Inspector Mike Brundige, Human Resources Director Deborah Yeager, Mayor of Milan Billy Beasley, Lynn Manning, Travis Martin, David Politte, and members of the media David Fischer and Clay Smith.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brundige called the Monday, December 14, 2015 regular meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen to order.

INVOCATION

Alderman Nanney gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Pate said the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**NOVEMBER 9, 2015
NOVEMBER 23, 2015**

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the minutes of the November 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 Pate made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2015 regular 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.

Mayor Brundige introduced and presented for consideration the minutes of the November 23, 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 Nanney made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2015 special call meeting of the City of Martin Board of Mayor and Aldermen as written, seconded by Alderman Sudberry.

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.

Chief Teal reported Captain Tommy Erwin graduated from the FBI National Academy. Officer Finch found out this morning that his father passed away, but there are no details on the service yet.

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 they had almost 300 people at their Library Christmas Open House on Saturday. The library is providing a new service to the public. People can now get periodicals online. There will be a year long trial run for free with 120 different magazine subscriptions that are downloadable to the computer. They are not available for kindle users; this is an agreement with Barnes and Noble and they have the Nook. Once you download these onto your device they are yours. All you need is a library card.

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 city Christmas party will be tomorrow night at 6 pm in the University Center Ballroom. Director Thompson said he would have a yearend report for the board in January.

Mayor Brundige asked how many people were signed up for the city Christmas party.

Director Thompson said they had 217 sign up.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF JAMIE SUMMERS

Chief Summers was present. The Fire Department's monthly report was included in the packets. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Chief Summers announced the "Get Alarm Tennessee Program" saved 118 lives this year, and Martin had one of those saves.

Mayor Brundige asked if they were getting new alarms.

Chief Summers said he was going to pick up 130 more alarms tomorrow.

Mayor Brundige asked if the alarms were free.

Chief Summers said they were free. They are 10 year alarms. The department promotes them because there are people who don't need to be climbing up and changing the batteries.

PUBLIC WORKS

DIRECTOR MARTY ABLES

Director Ables was not present. The Public Works monthly reports were included in the packets. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

PARKS AND RECREATION

DIRECTOR BRIAN MOORE

Director Moore was not 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 announced the Senior Christmas dinner would be Friday at 11:30 am. They had a very successful Santa's Village this year. This year was their largest attendance ever with 18,806 visitors. Director Moore said they believe the good weather helped a lot. They were able to collect 25,000 canned goods, but haven't counted up the toys yet. Director Moore thanked the

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fire department for their presence at Santa's Village. There were 3 or 4 incidents that they needed their assistance with.

Mayor Brundige added the university was very helpful this year.

Director Moore agreed and said the new director, Mike Peirce, was great to work with.

Alderman Nanney said they did a great job.

HUMAN RESOURCES

DIRECTOR DEBBIE YEAGER

Director Yeager was present.

ADMINISTRATION

CITY RECORDER KELLY WILSON

Recorder Wilson was present.

Recorder Wilson announced next month there will be someone here to train with Brittany to take her spot. Ms. Shirley Conger currently works with us part time and will be taking Brittany's spot; Brittany will be taking over Linda's job.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

INSPECTOR MIKE BRUNDIGE

Official Brundige was present.

Alderman Pate added all these activities speak well of the department heads.

Mayor Brundige added Saturday at 5:00 pm the city will be feeding the UTM men and women basketball teams at the Gateway. Mayor Brundige invited the board to come meet the basketball players.

Mayor Brundige asked when the City Hall open house would be.

Director Thompson said open house would be from 4 pm to 7 pm on the 22nd.

Mayor Brundige added MBA business night would be next Tuesday as well. City Hall will be open half a day on Christmas Eve and will reopen the following Tuesday for regular business.

Mayor Brundige asked how many were coming to the senior luncheon.

Director Moore said they were expecting around 225.

Mayor Brundige said that is the senior luncheon and they provide the meal for them.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

2016 CDBG

Ms. Lynn Manning announced they are looking at submitting another application for a Community Development Block Grant. Martin was not funded this last round. Mr. Travis Martin has been working with Director Ables, Director Thompson, and Mayor Brundige for ideas for the grant. Ms. Lynn opened up a public hearing for the 2016 CDBG grant. She added this is a HUB funded program. It's an annual and competitive program for any community in the state, both city and county. This grant covers anything from water, sewer, housing, drainage, and community livability (police and fire departments). In 2015 they did make an application for CDBG sewer system improvements to address inflow and infiltration. This application is due February 26th. The maximum grant is \$500,000. Martin's ability to pay is at 93%, which includes the three star that gives them an additional 4 points. So there is 7% that the city would have to pay. There have been some changes to the application process but they are not sure what they are because the notices have not come out from ECD.

Mr. Martin said they applied last year for sewer rehab in the Oxford Street area, because they had done some previous camera logging and testing. This project was not funded. The way these applications are scored has become very dependent on how it affects streams with the rehab. Mr. Martin said he and Director Ables were looking at areas where they have sewer lines crossing streams where the pipeline is exposed. There are other options if anyone wants to give any input.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any questions from the board or the public.

Alderman Nanney asked if they were going to make them change the exposed piping.

Mr. Martin said most of these are concrete pipes where they are crossing the streams and are exposed. The ditches are eroded from where the pipe was originally put in, so there is likely some joints in the concrete pipe that aren't supported. Mr. Martin said they weren't sure how they would address the problem because they need to investigate how deep those lines are and the best way to fix it. Mr. Martin said it would be nice to get those pipes below the creek where they aren't exposed at all but that may not be feasible.

Alderman Nanney asked if they would have to bury them or box them in.

Mr. Martin said anytime those lines are exposed it's a liability. If they have a flood or some kind of debris its open for something to happen to that line no matter how much it is protected. The more it's protected the more they impound the stream flow. In theory it would be nice to get those lines buried and out of the flow line of the creek, but without more information on how far back they would have to go and how deep the line is on each side of the creek they are not sure if they can do that.

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Ms. Manning said it appears some of these crossings are tributaries into a 303D stream. This is the key to getting CDBG funding for rehab on sewer lines on the collection end of it. The city is trying to maintain those systems, they are going after the funds and are eligible for the funds, but there are criteria at the state level for scoring these projects. If they are not impacting a 303D stream and you are working on your collection system, you are limited to the number of points you are going to receive. Ms. Manning asked if they were going to go with the target area surveys.

Director Thompson said they were going to use the census.

Ms. Manning said they have an option to go with the target area surveys or the census. Martin is over 51% in low moderate income. The census numbers might hurt the application on scoring but if they can pick up a project that will score better than addressing the I & I issues such as crossings that could potentially impact 303D streams they will get additional points.

Mr. Martin said they are actively trying to help the scoring process.

Alderman Pate asked if the grant is approved, there will be a 7% match from the city.

Mr. Martin said that was correct.

Ms. Manning said the maximum grant would \$525,000 dollars.

Mr. Martin said last year it would have been \$525,000 grant and \$40,000 match. So the total project was \$565,000.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any other questions.

Alderman Edwards asked without saying any locations, are we looking pretty hard at another area that would work better than Oxford Street.

Mr. Martin said they were because Oxford Street would not qualify under what they are doing now. Mr. Martin said they are trying to work with ECD and other parts of the state that score these to get bonus points for communities that have been active in doing the testing part upfront. A community that shows an investment in finding the problem should get more consideration than one that hasn't done anything yet. Right now there is not a mechanism there to give points to communities that have done the right thing by doing the testing upfront. It won't be in place this round, but if they ever do get this in place then they could go back to places like Oxford Street.

Ms. Manning said you never know who is applying and what they are applying for which is why they encourage communities, like Martin, to continue moving forward.

Mr. Martin said these crossing issues are probably more of a liability and importance factor for Martin than those others.

Ms. Manning said their exposure is a lot greater.

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Mr. Martin said in previous years ECD has funded somewhere around 50-55% of applications, this year they funded 38-40% of applications. There were just that many more applications for sewer improvements.

Mayor Brundige asked if there were any more questions, there were none. Mayor Brundige closed the public hearing.

INTRODUCTION AND READING OF RESOLUTION 2015-08 OF THE CITY OF MARTIN, TENNESSEE, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF INTEREST BEARING GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL OUTLAY NOTES, SERIES 2016, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,550,000, AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID NOTES

Recorder Wilson read the ordinance and a copy is attached to these minutes.

Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to approve the introduction and reading of Resolution R2015-08. Alderman Pate made the motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Belote.

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 EDWARDS HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE SUDBERRY
AGAINST:	NONE
ABSENT:	HONORABLE HANKINS

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

PURCHASE LAND (FORMER TOM TAYLOR BUILDING) TO BUILD NEW POLICE STATION FOR \$261,000

Mayor Brundige said this price includes a phase I environmental study on the property.

Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to approve the purchase of land for a new police station for \$261,000. Alderman Nanney made the motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Sudberry.

Alderman Nanney asked who would tear the building down.

Mayor Brundige wasn't sure who they would get to tear the building down, but the city would probably not do it.

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Alderman Sudberry asked if the \$261,000 was for the property as is.

Mayor Brundige confirmed it was with an environmental study. Mayor Brundige said there was probably enough steel in those buildings to pay for a big percentage of tearing it down.

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 EDWARDS HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE SUDBERRY
AGAINST:	NONE
ABSENT:	HONORABLE HANKINS

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

PURCHASE NEW EXTRACTION EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$40,241.25

Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to approve the purchase of new extraction equipment for the fire department for \$40,241.25. Alderman Edwards made the motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Belote.

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 EDWARDS HONORABLE BELOTE HONORABLE SUDBERRY
AGAINST:	NONE
ABSENT:	HONORABLE HANKINS

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved. Mayor Brundige added that they would purchase anything until the loan is approved by the comptroller's office.

UPDATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mayor Brundige announced the board had a new list of committee members to be updated. There is one new member on the Planning Commission, Lynn Payne. Mayor Brundige asked for a motion to

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update and appoint committee members for 2016. Alderman Pate made the motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Belote.

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

Mayor Brundige declared the motion approved.

DATE FOR NEXT CITY BOARD MEETING

Mayor Brundige announced - Informal City Board will meet January 5, 2016 and regular City Board meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2016 at 5:15 pm in the city courtroom.

The Finance Committee will not meet this month. Mayor Brundige asked Alderman Nanney if Public Works Committee would meet on the 4th.

Alderman Nanney said they would meet in January.

Mayor Brundige said there will be a Solid Waste meeting at the beginning of the year to discuss the garbage contract and all members need to be present.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURN

Mayor Brundige asked – Is there any other business?

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

VOTE: UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE OF APPROVAL

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Kelly Wilson,
City Recorder

Randy Brundige,
Mayor

RB: KW