

REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 23, 2018  
MINUTES



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PRESENT: Mayor Steve Ledbetter, Councilmembers Randy Carter, L. C. Gates, Carolyn Ledbetter and Sherry Wall

1. Invocation given by Jimmy Teal, COO of Crown Technology.
2. Approve the April agenda, Councilman Carter moved to approve the April Agenda, Councilwoman Wall, seconded, all approved.
3. Approved the March minutes, Councilman Carter moved to approve the March minutes, Councilwoman Ledbetter second, all approved.
4. Awarded the seal bid of \$131,000 on the Peach Packing building to Phoenix Rehab and Mobility, Councilman Carter moved to award the bid to Phoenix Rehab, Councilwoman Wall second, all approved.
5. Mayor Comments
  - a. D.O.T. adverted a major water situation when DOT was rerouting a drainage ditch outside of town, DOT took upon them self to move and lower the city's water line, even though citizens were out of water for a few hours, DOT saved the city money and lot money.
  - b. The city had two house fires in one week; Mayor Ledbetter commended Councilman Carter for his hard work as a fire fighter to fight these fires. Mayor Ledbetter thanked all Fire Fighters for their dedication and hard work.
  - c. All the Community Leader met at Meriwether County.
  - d. The city received the first Cell Tower Rent in April.
  - e. Public Works Director Willie Holmes compiled a book of all roads in the city with names and pictures of each street; this book will be a maintenance tool for the work crew and will help keep track of LMIG paving, repairs and help maintain a record for that street.
  - f. New City Hall almost finished and within budget.
6. Department Heads
  - a. Lt. James gave monthly police report.
  - b. Public Works Director Willie Holmes gave monthly street department report.
  - c. City Clerk Angel Fowler gave monthly financial report.
  - d. Cody Kelly gave monthly water report.
7. Committees
  - a. Kera Summers, Chairman of the Development Authority gave the monthly report; meetings will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.
  - b. Mayor Ledbetter recommended that Everett Carter be appointed to the unexpired term of Mike Mills who has resigned, Mr. Carter term will end.

December 31, 2018, Councilman Carter moved approve, Councilwoman Ledbetter second, all approved.

- c. Councilwoman Ledbetter updated the council on Nextsite360, there has been 6 to 8 properties identified for Nextsite360 project.
- d. The following people were nominated for Planning & Zoning, Susan Hall, Tonya Moody, Dan Godowns, Doug Matthews and Vicky Matthews, Councilman Gates moved to approve the members, Councilwoman Ledbetter second, all approved.

#### 8. Projects

- a. City Hall renovation almost complete and on budget, the parking lot needs to be seal coated at a cost of \$14,000.00 or repaved at a cost of \$83,000, furniture needs to be ordered for office and council chambers and should run about \$10,000 or less.
- b. Cell tower is up and running.
- c. All easements for the pumping station project are signed.

#### 9. County/State Initiatives

- a. Lake Meriwether; bathrooms will be complete by June, bids for dock.
- b. The council voted to move forward with the Comprehensive Plan, Councilman Carter moved to move forward, Councilwoman Wall second, all approved.
- c. The striping for Main Street has been submitted to DOT.
- d. Open Air; there were 3 Artist in Woodbury painting different locations in town from houses to garages.
- e. Keep Meriwether Beautiful spring cleanup was April 21 in all the towns in Meriwether County.

#### 10. Ordinances/Polices/Procedures

- a. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of the Election Ordinance, Councilman Carter moved to adopt the updated Election Ordinance, Councilwoman Wall second, all approved.
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of the Open Meeting Ordinance, Councilman Carter moved to adopt the updated Open Meeting Ordinance, Councilman Carter second, all approved.
- c. First Reading of the Water & Sewer Rates Ordinance.

#### 11. Retirement

- a. Postpone until the May meeting.

#### 12. Public Comments

- a. Sharon Brooks would like to have permission from the council to have a walk/run "Walk for Jesus" in June, council gave permission to have a walk/run.
- b. Veronica Dowell with Twin Cedars is a Prevention Specialist spoke to council about drug, alcohol, tobacco prevention in Meriwether County.

#### 13. Council Discussion

- a. Councilman Carter updated the council on Recreation.

#### 14. New Business

- a. The city council approved to move forward with Charter/Spectrum to bring high speed internet into the city with the potential sale to the downtown area. The price is \$899.00 per month.
- b. Councilman Carter moved to go ahead with the seal coat at the new city hall at the price of \$14,000, Councilwoman Wall second, all approved.
- c. Councilman Carter moved to go ahead and order the chairs for new city hall, the chairs will cost around \$3000.00, Councilwoman Ledbetter, second, all approved.

15. No further business meeting was adjourned.



Steve Ledbetter, Mayor



Angel Fowler, City Clerk