

**CITY OF MERIDEN
APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 13, 2018**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:06 PM

THOSE PRESENT

Council Members: Richard White Jacqueline Cummings Floyd Cozadd Ty Buschbom BJ Whiteman
Dana Boyer, Mayor Carrie Daniels, City Clerk

NOT PRESENT

Lee Hendricks, City Attorney

NEW BUSINESS

Adrienne Meyer – Represented Jefferson West Ball Association. She asked to reserve the city field for a softball tournament that raises funds to pay for new equipment and facility improvements on Friday, April 20, 2018 6:00p.m to 12:00a.m., Saturday, April 21, 2018 11:00a.m-12:00p.m with a Clean-up Day on Sunday, April 22, 2018. She requested the city allow alcohol in the park during the Softball Tournament. Children will not be allowed in the park or the ball field after dark due to the alcohol. To prevent broken bottles, cans will only be allowed. There has not been a problem in the past and Ball Association does screen teams trying to keep it local prevent any possible problems.

Motion made by Jacqueline Cummings, Seconded by Richard White, to allow Jefferson West Ball Association use of the city ball diamonds for the purpose of a Softball Tournament/Fund Raiser from Friday, April 20, 2018 6:00p.m.– 12:00a.m and on Saturday, April 21, 2018 8:00a.m.-12:00a.m. and for cleanup on Sunday April 22, 2018. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion made by Jacqueline Cummings, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to allow canned alcoholic beverages on Friday, April 20, 2018 6:00p.m.-12:00a.m and on Saturday, April 21, 2018 11:00a.m.-12:00a.m.. Motion Passed 5-0.

Ty Buschbom reviewed the Infrastructure Committee's 2018 Recommendations (See Attachment A, Pages 1-15). Matt reviewed the bids received for road repairs that were submitted to the city. The project completion is estimated to cost around \$150,000. Plenty of companies to bid asphalt overlay but only one company available to bid on chip and seal. The bid quotes are good for thirty days. Matt Williams wants asphalt done before chip and seal is completed.

Motion made by Richard White, seconded by Ty Buschbom, to approve contract offer from Bettis Asphalt with 2 inch mill overlay on mapped out roads, in the amount of \$121,339.50. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion made by Richard White, seconded by BJ Whiteman, to approve contract offer with Vance Brothers for chip and seal in the amount of \$32,259.08. Motion passed 5-0

Ty Buschbom suggested allocating \$70,000 from out of the Infrastructure Maintenance Fund and \$83,598.58 out of the Consolidated Street and Highway Fund (CSHF) for 2018 street repairs; he estimated that the CSHF would be left with \$300,000.00 by the end of the FY2018.

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OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Dana Boyer introduced all the new council members to Ron Bolz of Bolz Insurance Agency. Ron relayed the City's policy provides representation for them should they be sued. Attorney's fees at that point are paid.

Motion made by Ty Buschbom, seconded by Jacqueline Cummings, to approve Insurance renewal of contract with Bolz Insurance. Motion passed 5-0.

SEWER/TRASH DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

We have made progress and are down to one page. Council discussed Tiger Park East and Tiger Park West Estates, trailer park transition from Tillery Inc. to Denison State Bank. Denison State Bank requested the account history for both parks.

Update received on the 211 S. Maple Street property is back in Mark Ketchum's name.

POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME

Police Chief Jason Boyer requested some time during Executive Session/Mayor Time to discuss the things going on with schools. Vehicles are running good.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT TIME

Mayor Dana Boyer relayed that the City received a Letter of Appreciation from Rock Creek Fire Department for the assistance received during the fire at the Hot Rod Shop off 82nd Street. The letter commended James Wells and Matt Williams on their quick response hauling sand and gravel to facilitate vehicle access and helped them further with road control.

Matt Williams would like the City Attorney, Lee Hendricks, to write up an agreement for properties when ditches are rip rapped to ensure all parties fully understand the agreement and their responsibilities. Matt will coordinate with Lee.

ATTORNEY TIME

City Attorney not present.

Ty Buschbom requested Executive Session for 15 minutes to discuss employee matters and Police Department issues. *Motion made by Ty Buschbom, seconded by BJ Whiteman, to allow 15 minutes for Executive Session to discuss employee matters. Motion passed 5-0.*

Motion made by Richard White, seconded by BJ Whiteman, that Council opens Executive Session 8:10 PM ending 8:25p.m. to discuss school safety issues for 15 minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion made by Ty Buschbom, seconded by Richard White, that Council allows additional 10 minutes from 8:25 to 8:35 to continue discussion of school safety issues. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion made by Ty Buschbom, seconded by BJ Whiteman, to allow \$3,250 for the purchase of a bi-directional antenna that allows Police Department to communicate with dispatcher. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Richard White, to make Deputy City Clerk position full-time contingent upon waving medical insurance effective immediately. Deputy City Clerk has medical insurance thru the Veteran's Administration. Motion Passed 5-0.

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MAYOR TIME

Mayor Dana Boyer asked if anyone would mind having next month's council meeting on April 11th, 2017.

Motion by Richard White, Seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to change next month's council meeting from Tuesday, April 10, 2018 to Wednesday, April 11, 2018. Motion passed 5-0.

Wayne Ledbetter, County Commissioner relayed that Jefferson County reorganized Emergency Services and the County will now oversee Emergency Management. James Tweed will be the new Director which will be good for all of Jefferson County in the long run.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES

February meeting minutes were reviewed and amended.

Motion by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Jacqueline Cummings, to approve the February 13, 2018 meeting minutes as amended. Motion passed 4-0. Floyd Cozadd abstained because he could not vote and was absent during last meeting.

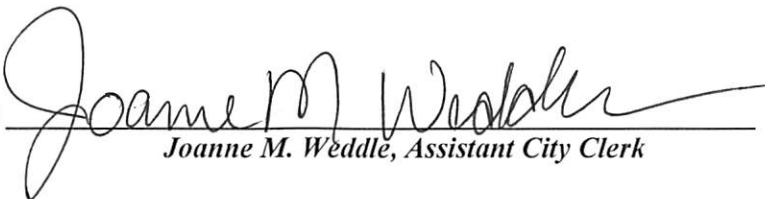
MOTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES

Motion was made by Ty Buschbom, seconded by BJ Whiteman, to approve expenditures. Motion passed 5-0.

CONTINUE OR ADJOURN THE MEETING

Motion was made by Ty Buschbom, seconded by Jacqueline Cummings, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by:


Joanne M. Weddle, Assistant City Clerk

