# CITY OF MERIDEN APPROVED MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 12, 2018

#### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:10 PM

#### THOSE PRESENT

Council Members: Richard White Floyd Cozadd

Ty Buschbom BJ Whiteman Jacqueline Cummings

Dana Boyer, Mayor Carrie Daniels, City Clerk Lee Hendricks, City Attorney

#### **NOT PRESENT**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Jackie Cummings stepped out of her council position to represent Game Day Bar and Grill. They would like to host a Street Dance and incorporate the school band, cheerleaders, etc. to participate. Since Meriden Pride disbanded Game Day Bar and Grill would like to see the tradition continue. Discussion held on the beer garden expansion and fencing. They would like to hold this event on September 15, 2018. Main Street will be closed, but still accessible for emergency vehicles.

Mayor Boyer suggested a time frame of 6:00pm to 10pm or 7:00pm to 11:00pm. Game Day will complete the paperwork required by the state and is checking with the school to confirm participation. Jackie would like to start at 5:00pm if the Band and Dance teams are available.

Motion was made by Ty Buschbom, seconded by Richard White, to approve Street Dance on September 15, 2018, from 5:00pm to 11:00pm for Game Day Bar & Grill. Motion passed 5-0.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

John Hansford was present to inform the Council of the dog situation. He is asking council for at least another month. Dana asked if Mr. Hansford had spoken with Chief Boyer his reply was yes. Chief Boyer replied he is ok with another month, but John is in violation of the city ordinances, and this situation has been an ongoing issue for six weeks already.

Richard White relayed that he, his wife, daughter walked their small dog by Mr. Hansford's house. The pit mix came out and was aggressive toward them. Richard stated that "If I was not there, the dog would have attacked my wife and daughter." Richard stressed that the problem is a serious issue and needs to be resolved quickly.

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Motion made by Richard White, seconded by Ty Buschbom, to grant Mr. Hansen thirty more days to resolve the matter provided there is not an issue of a dog bite. Motion passed 5-0.

Lee Hendricks, City Attorney, discussed the changes in the contract with Inland Waste. Residential will remain the same for two years but then 3% increase yearly after that. Commercial rates will increase \$5.00. Discussion on the fees required to maintain the recycle bin. Inland will donate the recycle bin, but the city needs to pay for the disposal fee. We need an audit to validate services businesses are currently receive. Some companies receive services but have not notified the city, so they not presently billed.

### SEWER/TRASH DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

Council discussed Sewer and Trash delinquent accounts and identified several accounts that warranted personal delivery of notice by the police department.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME**

Police Chief Jason Boyer briefed the amplifiers in the school are wonderful. There was a car stolen in town last night. The car was driven north of city and set on fire. With the football clinic and the garage sales, the last two weekends have been busy.

Chief Boyer discussed the issues with the parking stalls next to the Meriden Barber Shop with the council. Due to the new drainage system installed and sidewalk addition, the parking-stalls are too small for safe parking. Signs were added to the building to restrict truck parking, but now people drive their trucks up on the sidewalk to park. Council discussed converting stalls to parallel parking for safety reasons. City Attorney Lee Hendricks concurs the area in question should be no parking or parallel parking. Lee will send the property owner a letter advising them of the changes to parking.

# MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT TIME

Mayor relayed that James has been off work due to a neck injury and is on pain meds. He went to the Doctor's office today and hopefully will be back soon.

### **ATTORNEY TIME**

Nothing further to discuss at this time.

#### **MAYOR TIME**

Mayor Boyer would like to see if Inland Waste can bring some roll-off dumpsters to the ballfield to make the excess trash easier to dump. They are running games every night and the trash fills up quickly.

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The Mayor also asked if maintenance could set out a couple of recycling bins for the ballfield too. That might help reduce the amount of trash runs.

BJ Whiteman asked about the status of the abatements. Jason replied that Kevin Gibson conducted abatements on cars last week and next week will focus on yards. Jason asked if the city would mind using the backhoe to pick up the brush piles in the back alleys because some are reasonably large and animals moved into them.

## **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES**

Motion by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Richard White, to approve the April 11, 2018 Meeting Minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

### 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 BJ Whiteman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by:

Joanne M. Weddle, Assistant City Clerk

