

CITY OF MINER
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MONTHLY MEETING
MINER COURT ROOM
NOVEMBER 15, 2011
5:30 p.m.

The Miner Board of Aldermen met for its regular monthly meeting on November 15, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was posted in the foyer of city hall and sent to the Standard-Democrat newspaper.

Mayor Frank Tatum called the meeting to order. Roll call: Charles McLemore - present, Rickie Hampton - present, Peggy Holman - present, Deloris Smith - present. Also attending was Chief of Police Chris Griggs, Marvin Hatton, Chris Smith, Chris Beavers, Donnie Anglin, Stephanie Turner, and Bob Simpson. City Clerk, Danielle Patrick, was present to record the minutes and Joe Fuchs was in his capacity as City Attorney.

Mayor Frank Tatum stated that the first matter of business was the approval of the bills, reports, and minutes from the month of October 2011, Mayor Tatum asked if anyone had any questions. With no questions or comments a motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Charles McLemore to accept the bills, minutes, and reports for the month of September. A roll call vote was taken with all ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. AMENDING ORDINANCE 981 REGULATING JUNK VEHICLES, TRASH, TALL WEEDS AND GRASS IN MINER

Mayor Tatum stated that since the board had not had a chance to meet and discuss the ordinance to amend he asked for a motion to table the issue until a work session can be had to work on it. A motion was made by Charles McLemore and seconded by Peggy Holman to table the matter until the Board can have a work session to work on it. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. CALL FOR APRIL 2012 ELECTION (BILL _____/ORD_____)

Mayor Tatum presented bill number 1019 calling for the April 2012 election to the board for its first, second and third reading. A motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Charles McLemore to place the bill on its first, second and third reading. The Clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote Deloris Smith – yes, Charles McLemore – yes, Peggy Holman – yes and Rickie Hampton - yes. Mayor Frank Tatum declared that Bill 1019 had become ordinance 1009.

B. CHANGING DECEMBER 2011 MEETING DATE TO SECOND TUESDAY DECEMBER 13, 2011

Mayor Tatum stated that with the Christmas Holiday so close to our normal meeting he would like to move the meeting up a week so that it wouldn't be held the same week as Christmas. Alderman McLemore asked the reason why we needed to move the meeting and Mayor Tatum stated just so that we would not have to have a meeting the week of Christmas when a lot of people would be busy preparing for the holiday. A motion was made by Charles McLemore and seconded by Deloris Smith to move the meeting to the second Tuesday in December as requested. A roll call vote followed Peggy Holman – no, Rickie Hampton – yes, Deloris Smith – yes and Charles McLemore – yes. Motion passed.

C. ADDING AN ADDITIONAL 10 FEET TO THE MINER CONVENTION CENTER SIGN – MAYOR TATUM

Mayor Tatum stated that the new marquee was too low and the cost to raise it ten feet would cost an additional \$11,580. Alderman Charles McLemore and Alderwoman Peggy Holman stated that they did not see anything wrong with the sign. After much discussion everyone agreed that the City did not need to make any changes to the existing sign.

D. SIKESTON AREA CHAMBER YEARLY MAP ADVERTISEMENT

Mayor Tatum stated that this map is something that is done yearly and the cost is \$300 per year and his recommendation is that the City continues on with the maps. A motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Charles McLemore to continue with the Sikeston Area Chamber maps at \$300 per year. A roll call vote was taken with all ayes.

E. SETTING SALARY FOR THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN (BILL _____/ORD_____)

Alderwoman Deloris Smith stated that she felt that the mayor should receive compensation and expense money for being the mayor, because you do a lot of running around. Alderwoman Smith stated that she thought the mayor's office should carry a \$250 per month salary along with a \$100 per month expense reimbursement. Alderman Charles McLemore stated that felt the same way. Alderman Rickie Hampton stated that he thought that there should not be a salary as well did Alderwoman Peggy Holman. Mayor Tatum presented bill number 1020 to the board for its first, second and third reading. A motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Charles McLemore to place the bill on its first, second and third reading with the Mayor's salary being \$250 per month with \$100 per month reimbursed expenses and nothing for the alderman. The Clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote Deloris Smith – yes, Charles McLemore – yes, Peggy Holman - no and Rickie Hampton - no. Mayor Frank Tatum broke the tie by voting yes. Mayor Tatum declared that Bill 1020 had become ordinance 1010.

F. ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE RESULTS FROM THE NOVEMBER 8, 2011 ELECTION (BILL _____/ORD_____)

Mayor Tatum presented bill number 1021 accepting the election results from the November 8, 2011 election to the board for its first, second and third reading. A motion was made by Peggy Holman and seconded by Charles McLemore to place the bill on its first, second and third reading. The Clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote Deloris Smith – yes, Charles McLemore – yes, Peggy Holman – yes and Rickie Hampton - yes. Mayor Frank Tatum declared that Bill 1019 had become ordinance 1011.

After all regular business was concluded Mayor Tatum informed everyone that the City had received the construction permit from DNR for the construction of the new lagoon and bids are now being taken until December 15, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. where the bids will be open and read aloud.

Mayor Tatum asked everyone on the Board if it was okay with the if the City advertises for bids for a rotatory tiller to pull behind the Kubota tractor. Mayor Tatum stated that the City would benefit from having this, everyone agreed to go ahead and advertise for bids.

Mayor Tatum also wanted to remind all employees of the City of Miner that talking on cell phones while driving city vehicles is prohibited and if they must make a phone call while driving they are to pull over to the side of the road and make the phone call. Chief of Police Chris Griggs asked if the employee had a blue tooth if they could still use it and drive and everyone on the board agreed that they must pull over even if using a blue tooth because that is distracting as well.

With all business concluded Chris Griggs asked if the Mayor and the Board would consider hiring Jennifer that is currently working part-time as a dispatcher as a full-time dispatcher. Mayor Tatum told him that if the board did that they would be setting precedence and this needed to be handled in an executive meeting under personnel. Mayor Tatum told him that the board had to meet in the next month for a work session and they would discuss it then.

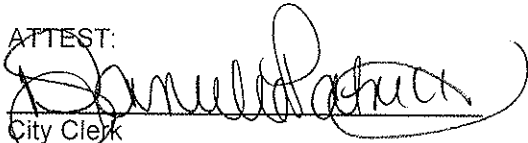
Fire Chief Chris Smith approached the Mayor and the Board asking their approval for Toys for Tots boxes to be placed in the City Hall and the Police Department for new unwrapped toys to be dropped off for less fortunate children. All of the board was okay with the boxes being placed.

With all business concluded a motion to adjourn was made by Charles McLemore and seconded by Peggy Holman. A roll call vote followed with all ayes. Meeting adjourned.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk