

The Mayor and Council for the City of Maysville had the regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 5, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at the Maysville Library. Those present were Mayor Jerry Baker, Councilmember's Clay Dorsey, Lynn Villyard, Stephan Lewis, City Clerk Barbara Thomas, and City Attorney Gary Freeman. Councilmember Rebecca McNeely was not present for the meeting.

Mayor Baker opened the meeting with the invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The minutes of December 1, 2008, December 15, December 18, were approved as presented upon a motion made by Councilmember Clay Dorsey, seconded by Lynn Villyard. Motion carried.

The 2009 Budget was approved as presented upon a motion made by Councilmember Lynn Villyard, seconded by Clay Dorsey. Motion carried. Copy attached.

The mileage rate for Jackson County-1.764 and Banks County- 0.810 was approved as presented upon a motion made by Councilmember Clay Dorsey, seconded by Clay Dorsey. Motion carried.

April 10, 2009 was approved as the due date for the 2008 city tax bills. This was approved upon a motion made by Councilmember Lynn Villyard, seconded by Stephan Lewis. Motion carried.

New Business:

William Shealy, Assistant Project Manager & Landscape Architecture for the Jaegar Company was present to update the progress the streetscape project. Shealy informed the council that there is a potential to work with the railroad for city use inside of the railroad right-of-way, but in the interest of moving forward at this time it would be advisable to work around the park. Shealy talked with Attorney Freeman about getting the right of way certifications for the project. A tentative date of early spring was given as a start date for the project. Mr. Shealy recommended applying for another TE Grant which would be available in 2010.

Chip Wright, Historic Preservation Planner for Georgia Mountain Regional Development Center was not present.

Chip McGaughey, Project Manager for Engineering and Management Incorporated delivered a report from A & S Environmental Services on the city's ground water exploration. The report outlines where several favorable sites are on a three tier basis. Mr. McGaughey

recommended that he overlay the areas on EMI Maps to see who actually owns the property. This will be brought before the council at a later date to be announced.

The council gave Mr. McGaughey the go ahead to start working on an operations and maintenance manual for the oxidation pond. McGaughey stated that it would take a few months to put it together. We have to wait on the mechanical submittal data from the aerators and all the other components before the manual can be done. It has to be completed before the construction is finished.

New Business:

Arts Show-Donna Garrison was not present.

Attorney Gary Freeman stated that he would like the city to have a work session to analyze portions of the zoning laws and how they may relate to certain activities. There has been a misunderstanding on what can and can't be done with alcohol.

Steve Nichols was present to discuss the Jackson County 911 Local Emergency Operation Plan. Attorney Freeman asked that he have time to review the document.

The re-appointment of Chief Clarence Sullens was approved upon a motion made by Councilperson Clay Dorsey, seconded by Lynn Villyard. Motion carried.

The re-appointment of Attorney Gary Freeman was approved upon a motion made by Councilperson Stephan Lewis, seconded by Clay Dorsey. Motion carried.

The re-appointment of Judge G. Hammond Law was approved upon a motion made by Councilperson Lynn Villyard, seconded by Stephan Lewis. Motion carried.

Planning and Zoning-Guy Baker made the following commendations to the council: (1) To change the zoning meetings to the last Monday in every month so there will be no confusion. (2) Make an amendment to the bylaws to allow people on the zoning board to be appointed for a four year term. After four years a new administration will be in and can re-appoint new members. No action was taken. This will be discussed at the next work session.

Reports:

Mayor Baker stated that a called meeting will be held to approve the Jackson County 911 Local Emergency Operation Plan. A workshop meeting will follow to analysis some of the zoning laws and how they apply to the city. Details of alcohol in the town will also be discussed.

Clay Dorsey-I am glad we made it through 2008 and got the budget finished on time. It has been a challenging year and I am looking forward to 2009.

Lynn Villyard-I have spoken with the Library staff and they are working on a grant. We talked about getting back to the DDA after the budget was submitted. I have been in touch with our District Representative for the DDA, Mary Alice Applegate. She has directed me to some material and information that will help me in organizing the DDA. There will be training held on March 18-20 called Main Street Institute. I am making arrangements to attend this and it is open to anyone.

Rebecca McNeely-Not Present.

Stephan Lewis-Just glad we survived 2009.

Mayor Baker discussed the list of city residents interested in participating on the Downtown Development Authority. This was tabled to allow more time to review the names on the list.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

City Clerk

Date