

TRENTON CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2009
5:30 P.M.
TRENTON CITY HALL

- A. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome
- B. Invocation / Alderman Cannon
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Approve Minutes of January 27th Meeting
- E. Recorder's Report
- F. Citizens' Input – any citizen will be given up to 3 minutes to address the Mayor on any issue
- G. Old Business
 - 1. 2009-2010 Budget Meeting Schedule
- H. New Business
 - 1. Possible Grants to Pursue
 - 2. 2009 Home Program Resolutions # 2009-R-2 and 2009-R-3
- I. Reports from Department Heads
 - 1. Terry Bailey / Street & Sanitation Department
 - 2. Ricky Bailey / Building & Zoning Department
 - 3. Terry Brown / Park Department
 - 4. Barry Green / Fire Department
 - 5. Will Sanders / Police Department
 - 6. Bret Fisher / Light & Water Department
- J. City Attorney's Report
- K. Alderman's Report
- L. Mayor's Report

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Tuesday, January 27, 2009
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A regular scheduled meeting of the Trenton City Council was called to order by Mayor Tony Burriss. The invocation was given by Alderman Jackson. Mayor Burriss welcomed all in attendance and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were elected officials, Aldermen Abbott, Cannon, Gibson, Hammonds, Jackson, and Overall. City employees present were Sammy Dickey, Terry Brown, Terry Bailey, Ricky Bailey, Will Sanders, Barry Green, Jeff McCoy, Bret Fisher, and Jenny Corbin. Danny Jones was present as a visitor.

Alderman Gibson made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13th council meeting. Alderman Overall gave a second motion. The motion was passed by all.

TML DISTRICT MEETING UPDATE

Mayor Burriss gave an update on a TML district meeting that he attended along with Aldermen Cannon and Jackson.

HIRING OF DISPATCHERS

Police Chief Will Sanders recommended the hiring of Christy Burns and Autumn Wynn as dispatchers. Alderman Jackson gave a motion for hiring Christy and Autumn. Alderman Abbott gave a second motion. The motion was passed by all.

DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY BEER SALES

Mayor Burriss explained that Humboldt passed liquor by the drink has changed Sunday beer sales in Gibson County outside the cities. Some retailers have asked Mayor Burriss why Trenton can't have Sunday beer sales since beer is already sold 6 days a week. Alderman Gibson stated that there is no question we are losing revenue and if people want to purchase it they will buy it where they can get it.

Alderman Hammonds stated we have lost a lot of industries and retailers, but the need for tax revenues has not changed.

Alderman Jackson agreed with Alderman Hammonds comments, but added that it could cause increased problems for law enforcement.

Police Chief Will Sanders stated that he did not think it would make a difference.

Alderman Overall stated that we could use any revenue that we can get; however, a group has come to him stating that they oppose the Sunday beer sales.

Alderman Cannon stated that the people of Trenton voted the council into office take care of the revenues of the city.

Alderman Abbott said that he did not have a problem with Sunday beer sales. If people want it, they are going to buy it somewhere. The city will get the revenue.

WILL SANDERS / POLICE DEPARTMENT

Will informed council that Shawn Evans' mother was found dead in Texas and foul play is suspected.

BRET FISHER / LIGHT & WATER DEPARTMENT

Bret reported on the ice storm. He stated that crews from Southwest Electric and Jackson Energy Authority were lending mutual aid to Gibson Electric.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Burriss reminded council that there is a utility board scheduled for February 4, 2009 at 12:00.

The council retreat is scheduled for February 18th from 9-12.

The next council meeting is scheduled for February 10th at 5:30.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 with a motion made by Alderman Cannon. Alderman Hammonds gave a second motion. The motion was passed by all.