

Council Meeting  
February 15, 2016

Members Present: Mayor Buddy Duke, members Butch Fausett, Greg Paige, Michael Purvis, Chandler Hill and Jody Greene.

Others Present: John Flythe, Rhonda Rowe, Tim Tanner, Chad Castleberry and members of the public as well as a member of the press.

Invocation was given by Councilman Fausett.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Councilman Purvis made a motion to approve the minutes of February 1, 2016 as presented. Councilman Paige seconded. All were in favor.

Truck Bid (Recreation Dept): This item, having been tabled at the last meeting due to the receipt of only one bid, was brought back before the council. The proposed bidders were contacted and one local dealership has declined to bid. Cook County Ford stated their bid remains valid. It was the consensus of the council to open the one bid. The bid was as follows:

Cook County Ford - \$25,210

Councilman Paige stated that it appears we have bent over backwards to try and secure another bid and since the one bid is a local vendor he made a motion to accept the bid. Councilman Greene seconded. The decision was unanimous.

Shopping Carts Discussion: The council was presented with a copy of state law 16-8-21 (Removal or abandonment of shopping carts). It specifically states that it is unlawful for any person to remove a cart from the premises of the owner without consent and that it is illegal for any person to abandon a cart upon any public street, sidewalk, way or parking lot other than a parking lot on the premises of the owner. Any person who violates this code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Mayor Duke stated we need to enforce the state law as it is written. The council was in agreement and there was no further discussion.

Wal-Mart Alcohol License: The council was presented with the alcoholic beverages license application of Wal-Mart Stores East, LP located at 351 Alabama Road. After review of the application, Councilman Fausett made a motion to approve the license. Councilman Paige seconded. All were in favor.

TE Grant Sidewalk Project: City Manager John Flythe reported the sidewalk project on South Hwy 41 had been completed. There is a safety concern over a large hole that was created at the drainage ditch where a concrete barrier wall was installed. When the project is inspected and accepted, he felt we

need to erect a traffic guard rail on the east side of the hole and a guard hand rail on the west side next to the sidewalk. We would be required to obtain permission from the state for the traffic guard rail. He estimates the cost to be \$10,000. He advised we would get our engineer to make a recommendation to address this concern.

GMA Annual Convention: The council was advised they had been given a copy of the itinerary/registration packet for the 2016 Annual Convention and they need to get with the city clerk if they plan to attend.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

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Rhonda P. Rowe, City Clerk

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Buddy Duke, Mayor

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