MINUTES

Town of Marshall Board of Alderman Regular Meeting September 18th, 2017

Mayor Wallin called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence. Alderman in attendance were Billie Jean Hanie, Aileen Payne, Thomas Jablonski, Christaan Ramsey, Laura Ponder-Smith, Mayor Jack Wallin, Deputy Town Clerk Michelle Massey and Town Attorney Jamie Stokes.

Item 1

Mayor Wallin opened the regular meeting. Alderman Haynie requested to be added to the agenda after Item 2 concerning the water leak on the By-Pass over Labor Day weekend. Alderman Haynie made a motion to approve the agenda with additions. Alderman Ponder-Smith seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Item 2

Alderman Payne made a motion to approve the August21st, 2017 minutes. Alderman Ponder-Smith seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Item 2A

Billie Jean Haynie addressed the Board and members of the public to publicly thank the people who helped with the major water leak that happened over Labor Day weekend. The Town of Marshall Maintenance crew worked from 11:00 pm Saturday night until almost dark on Sunday to repair the water leak. Billie Jean also wanted to thank the Town office staff, Town Police, Marshall VFD, County officials, Sheridan Byers, Mayor and Alderman that helped with different aspects and effects of the leak.

Item 3

The Water/Sewer Report for the month of August 2017 were presented to the Board. Unaccountable water loss is at 28.4 % for the month.

Item 4

McGill and Associates gave the Board an update on the Phase II Water Infrastructure Grant. Due to no interest from companies wanting to bid the way the work was previously submitted for contract, the work was divided into two separate contracts. One contract will be for water line installation and one will be for the well system. A pre-bid meeting will be held and bid opening will take place on October 3rd, 2017.

Karen with McGill and Associates also gave an update on the WWTP grant. Karen informed the Board that the contracts all came in above the amount of the grant and negation with the lowest bidder could not be met. Don Byers, McGill and USDA are discussing the possibility of Don and McGill overseeing the purchase of the aerators and installation of the aerators by the Town Maintenance crew. The amount of the grant would cover the equipment needed and the town would have the expense of an electrician.

Item 5

Connie Molland from the Downtown Marshall Association could not attend the meeting but wanted Michelle to pass along some information to the Board. The Christmas Crawl will be held December 8th and the Holiday Sale will take place December 8th and 9th. Details for each of the events are still be planned. A Veteran's Day celebration is also being planned November 11th.

Item 6

Barbara Coulson with the League of Women's Voters invited the Board members that are up for re-election to a candidate's forum to be held October 17th at 6:30 pm at A-B Tech Madison Campus.

Item 7

Jamie Stokes presented to the Board the Brunch Bill Ordinance. This Ordinance would make it legal for bars, restaurants, and stores to sell alcohol at 10:00 am on Sunday's current law is 12 noon. Mayor Wallin entertained a motion. Ordinance died due to lack of a motion.

Item 8

Michelle presented the Fire Department contract to the Board for official approval. Alderman Haynie made a motion to approve the Fire Department contract. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Motion approved. Thomas Jablonski is the Alderman appointed to serve on the Fire Department Board.

Michelle also discussed with the Board the Christmas Parade. The Christmas Parade will be held on December 9th at 1:00 pm. After the meeting, Hot Springs decided to do their Parade on the 9th also so Marshall's Parade is being changed to 2:00 pm. An Alderman will need to be in charge of the Parade this year.

Report from Boards

Board of Adjustments – No meeting **Planning Board** – No meeting **Parks and Recreation** – No meeting

Department Reports

Fire Department – Regina with the Fire Department Tammy reported a total of 17 calls for the month and 2000 gallons of water was used for training. Scott Treadway – President of the Board, Jack Thompson – Vice-President, Tammy Boyd is the Treasurer until December 2017 and they still need a Secretary. Two Board members position are also open.

Police Department – Chief Boone presented the monthly police department report and a copy of the report is in packet.

Water Department – Report is in packet
Maintenance Department – Report is in packet
Zoning Department –
Finance Department - Report is in packet

Public Comment

Jenny Eby talked with the Board about an event coming up in November 2017. The Annual Ferment Festival will be held November 5 from 2:00 – 6:00 pm at the Madison County Cooperative Extension Center. The festival will have vendors ranging from local farms to local crock makers and crafter to showcase fermenters in our region. Music and demonstrators will be features of the festival.

Alderman Ponder-Smith made a motion to go into closed session. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Ponder-Smith made a motion to return to open session. Alderman Haynie seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Ramsey made a motion to turn on Dean Pistor Street light # 63 until the legal paper work for his purchase of the land from the Town has been completely. Alderman Payne seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Haynie made a motion to approve the purchase of an auto dialer to be installed on the reservoir. The auto dialer will automatically call someone if the reservoir begins to lost water. The auto dialer will require electrical hook-up and a telephone line. These will be expenses incurred every month. Alderman Ponder-Smith seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Jablonski made a motion to approve the paving of the entrance to Candler Drive and the parking lot at Madison Pharmacy from the water leak. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Haynie made a motion to approve the purchase of a shoring box for the Maintenance Department for protection when working on water leaks. Alderman Ponder-Smith seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Jablonski made a motion to Void PO # 1813 carried forward from last year due to the price increase from the company the PO was issued to. The work can be performed by another company at a much lower price and would allow for the purchase of two possibly three grinder pumps for the same amount of money. Alderman Ponder-Smith seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Alderman Ponder-Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Ramsey seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Jack Wallin, Mayor

Michelle Massey, Deputy Town Clerk