

**STATE OF TENNESSEE
COUNTY OF HAMBLLEN
CORPORATION OF MORRISTOWN
DECEMBER 1, 2009**

The City Council for the City of Morristown, Hamblen County, Tennessee, met in regular session at the regular meeting place of the Council in the Morristown City Center at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 1, 2009 with Honorable Mayor Barbara C. "Sami" Barile presiding and the following named Councilmembers present: Gene Brooks, Bob Garrett, Claude Jinks, Frank McGuffin, William Rooney and Kay Senter.

Councilmember McGuffin made a motion to approve the November 17, 2009 minutes as circulated; Councilmember Jinks seconded the motion and upon roll call, all voted "aye".

Councilmember Jinks made a motion to approve the November 24, 2009 called meeting minutes as circulated; Councilmember McGuffin seconded the motion and upon roll call, all voted "aye".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to open the floor for discussion of the City Administrator Employment Contract with Anthony Cox; Councilmember McGuffin seconded the motion and upon roll call, all voted "aye".

Councilmember Jinks made a motion to proceed with the Employment Contract with Mr. Cox on the basis of authorizing in substance those material items discussed along with changes that Attorney Jessee and Pat Hardy work out with Mr. Cox. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call, all voted "aye". Attorney Jessee & Mr. Hardy will finesse the contract and present it to Mr. Cox for approval.

Councilmember Senter made a motion to approve the bid for the Fred Miller Park & Arboretum Parking Improvements Project and the Wayne Hansard Greenway Improvement Project to Brockwell Construction in the amount of \$201,503.38. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call, all voted "aye". {The remaining amount of \$28,995.80 to be approved by Council after HUD authorizes the funds transfer.}

Councilmember Rooney made a motion to award the Pipe Bursting Equipment – HDPE Butt Fusion Welding Machine to Consolidated Pipe & Supply in the amount of \$28,504; Councilmember McGuffin seconded the motion. Upon roll call, Councilmembers Brooks, Garrett, Jinks, McGuffin and Senter voted "no"; Councilmember Rooney and Mayor Barile voted "aye".

Councilmember Senter made a motion to defer the bid awards for the Pipe Bursting Equipment until after a meeting with Bryan Fowler and Lamar Dunn. Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion and upon roll call, all voted "aye".

Assistant City Administrator Fielder read a memo prepared by Administrator Wampler regarding an update on the budget adjustments. a) Fire Battalion Chief Helton has announced his retirement on 2/28/10 and one firefighter is being called to active military duty. Due to the difference in salaries after promotions and having a vacancy in the Fire Department, no firefighters will have to be laid off until July 2010. b) Five vacant positions throughout the City will not be filled. c) Effective December 1st City Center will close at 3:30 p.m. on Fridays. d) Sharon Rollins, MTAS Public Works Consultant, will be evaluating the City's commercial waste as well as a comparison of the commercial waste in other cities.

Jeff Branham, City Engineer, presented a rough survey sketch of the Morristown Market Center property (old Walker's Supply). The survey will be finalized and presented to Mr. Wilmoth.

The Child Care Centers Board appointment was postponed until the December 15, 2009 meeting.

Jeff Branham, City Engineer, made some suggestions for a supplemental environmental project in-lieu of the penalty set forth in the TDEC Commissioner's Order. Councilmember Rooney made a motion to move forward with the project of a hybrid parking lot (pervious concrete and grass pavers) at Wayne Hansard Park. Councilmember Senter seconded the motion and upon roll call, all voted "aye".

Councilmember McGuffin made a motion to defer action on the replacement of lights on Main Street near the Library until more information is obtained. Councilmember Rooney seconded the motion and upon roll call, all voted "aye".

A discussion was held concerning pool tables in establishments that sell beer. (City Beer Ordinance prohibits pool tables; ABC licenses allow them.) Attorney Jessee will draft proposed changes to the Beer Ordinance and bring back to Council.

A discussion was held regarding beer servers displaying their Server Permits. This will also be checked into and brought back to Council.

Mayor Barile adjourned the December 1, 2009 City Council meeting.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator