# CITY OF MERIDEN APPROVED MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 14, 2016

# MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:02pm

### THOSE PRESENT

Council Members: Karl Dillenbeck Floyd Cozadd Dana Boyer Zac Surritt

Wade Schneider, Mayor Carrie Daniels, City Clerk Lee Hendricks, City Attorney

### OATHS OF OFFICE

All members present, were sworn into office this evening.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Brittany Chaplin, Jefferson County's Economic Development Director, brought Council a presentation of her groups' last two years of work and transitioning. Ms. Chaplin asked if the City of Meriden would match the County's .007% of their General Fund as an investment into the Economic Development Program. After further discussion, the issue was tabled until the July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Regular City Council meeting.

# **ATTORNEY TIME**

Lee Hendricks asked to move Attorney time ahead as he had to leave early. Council was informed that the Hasty case was moving forward and no more invitations to the City's meeting will be available for Ms. Hasty.

Lee explained to council, the "2017 Election" changes and also informed everyone that the filing fee will now be twenty dollars instead of five dollars and applicants will have to file with the County Clerk.

The 211 Maple street code compliance issue was discussed, Mr. Hendricks requested Councils permission to pursue this matter in more aggressive manor enlight of new information received.

Lee spoke with Council regarding the rezoning of MER Properties, LLC.

Motion was made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to approve Ordinance #16-667-2016, rezoning the Barry White property from A-1 to B1. Motion passed 4-0

Motion was made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Zac Surritt, to approve Resolution #2016-04, pending name change from The Watering Hole to Game Day Bar & Grill along with the Crooked Post Winery, allowing alcohol to be sold during the hours of 6:00pm to 10:00pm on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the 2016 Meriden Festival & Street Dance. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Karl Dillenbeck, to approve Resolution #2016-03 accepting the closure of the 100 block of Main Street in September 17, 2016 from 8:30am to 11:30pm, for the purpose of the 2016 Meriden Festival & Street Dance. Motion passed 4-0.

Lee reviewed the sewer delinquencies. QT Inc. (Dickey Property), was paid in full, along with The Oasis Saloon. All other accounts are either in foreclosure or first letter has been sent.

Lee Hendricks had other engagements to attend so excused himself from the meeting at 7:45pm.

USD #340 Superintendent, Pat Happer, was present to discuss the culvert & drainage issues on the South side of the Elementary School where the buses load and unload. Mr. Happer asked for the City's help with the cost of this project, as the school feels part of the problem is the City's responsibility, due to the storm drainage. (See attachment A) The issue was tabled until July 12, 2016 Regular City Council meeting.

John R Welch, CPA presented his proposal for the 2016 Audit and 2017 Budget, as did Russell Shipley, with Sink Gordon & Associates. After review and questions, the following motions was made.

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### ATTORNEY TIME-CON'T

Motion was made by Karl Dillenbeck, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to accept John R. Welch's proposals to prepare the City's 2016 Audit and preparation of the 2017 Budget as well.

Motion passed 4-0.

### SEWER DELINQUENCIES

Delinquent Utility Accounts were presented to Council for review. Charlene Sams submitted a request for service on behalf of Brad & Terry Tillery, for a vacant lot request at Tiger Park Estates.

Motion was made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Zac Surritt, to accept the vacant lot request on Lot #8 in Tiger Park East. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to have City Attorney Lee Hendricks, send a demand letter to Leanna Snavely, for payment of her past due utility account with the City of Meriden. Motion passed 4-0.

Councilman Zac Surritt, brought up the matter of roofing companies soliciting door to door in Meriden in the aftermath of last month's damaging hailstorm and doing so, without a permit. It was made clear that the City has a Green River Ordinance that requires all door to door solicitors, to obtain a solicitation permit in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall.

### MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT TIME

James discussed with Council the fact that Doug worked the entire Holiday weekend after the hail storm manning the sewer pumps, and discussion was held on the rate that Doug was paid that day.

Motion was made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Karl Dillenbeck, to pay Doug Scott an additional eight hours of holiday pay. Motion passed 4-0.

James informed Council of the cost from R & S Maintenance, to make the bands and brackets for the poles, to hold the street banners, that blew down in the first severe wind storm. Council decided it would be best to hang them at Lacey Field, where they can be placed lower on the poles to avoid further wind damage. No motion was needed, as cost was under \$500.00.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME

Jason discussed the fact that Officer Ryan Smidt had volunteered to work knowing he would not get overtime or holiday pay when he manned the sewer pumps after the severe hail and wind storm.

Motion was made by Dana Boyer, seconded by Zac Surritt, to purchase a \$50.00 Gift Certificate from Mulligans for Ryan Smidt, as a thank you on behalf of the City. Motion passed 4-0.

# MAYOR TIME

Nothing at this time

### APPROVE EXPENDITURES

Motion was made by Karl Dillenbeck, seconded by Zak Surritt, to approve the city expenditures. Motion passed 4-0.

### **CONTINUE OR ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Motion was made by Karl Dillenbeck, seconded by Zac Surritt, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted by: Carrie M. Daniels, City Clerk