

The City of Dyer Board of Mayor and Alderpersons met in regular session, Monday, June 26, 2023, at 7:04 PM. Those present were Mayor Chris Younger, Alderpersons Michael Barron, Tom Mikkelsen, Craig Blackburn, Jennifer Hughey, Bob Moore, Bett Jewell, and Mike Needham. The City Attorney was present.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2023, regular meeting. Motion carried with Barron, Blackburn, Hughey, Jewell, and Needham voting aye; Tom Mikkelsen and Bob More abstained.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Younger explained the new rules for those wishing to address the board, including that persons should request to address the board by the Friday before the board meeting.

Mayor Younger asked for continued prayers for Alderman Marty Graves and his family on the death of his father. The visitation will be at the Trenton Funeral Home tonight with the funeral tomorrow.

Mayor Younger reminded the Board about the upcoming Dyer Station Celebration events, including the opening ceremonies and street dance on Friday night and the parade on July 4. He encouraged everyone to attend as many events as possible.

Mayor Younger asked the Board to approve moving Mr. Randy Gregory to a part-time status on his retirement, which will be effective on June 30. Gregory will remain on staff to consult and supervise operations (using the required licenses) until Jay and Tracy are fully licensed and certified. Motion made by Craig Blackburn, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to reclassify Mr. Gregory as part-time and to compensate him as designated according to the budget.

Mayor Younger said that Richard Pugh's last day will be June 30; Richard will fully retire. Motion made by Craig Blackburn, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to accept Pugh's resignation on his retirement on June 30. Motion carried with all ayes. Mayor Younger said, "Thank you to Richard Pugh for his work for the citizens of Dyer, and I hope he has a great retirement.

The Park Committee will meet on July 18 at 6:00 at the David Robinson Recreation Park. After visiting the park, the committee will visit the Eagle Community Center, the VFW, and the Georgia McIlwain Ellis Mini Park. Younger said the water fountain at the David Robinson Recreation Park will be installed tomorrow.

Department Reports

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Craig Blackburn to hire and appoint Trinity Daigle as a firefighter. Daigle already has her EMT license. Motion carried with all ayes.

Chief Rudd said that the Dyer Fire Department has been awarded a 2022 AFG Grant in the amount of \$94,722.61.

Street Supervisor Dale Carroll said the new trailer from Darty should be here next week.

Committee Reports

Building and Sidewalk Committee Chair Tom Mikkelsen said that he had talked to Greg Hinson ("Eyeball") who has provided a quote for siding the Eagle Community Center. The City Recorder said the quote totaled \$20,487.00. Mayor Younger commented that before the City spends \$20,000, we might just paint it as a short term fix; include the siding, etc in a future budget. Mayor Younger said the Park Committee can discuss this when they meet later in July.

Mayor Younger said he would like Mike Needham to put together some sort of back to school event on the last Saturday before school starts. Younger doesn't anticipate much cost, City Lumber is already on board.

Unfinished Business

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Craig Blackburn to pass on its second and final reading Ordinance 2023-278, an Ordinance to Set the Refuse and Disposal Rates. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to pass on its second and final reading Ordinance 2023-279, an Ordinance to Amend the 2022-2023 Annual Budget. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Jennifer Hughey, seconded by Bob Moore to pass on its second and final reading Ordinance 2023-280, an Ordinance to Adopt the 2023-2024 Annual Budget and Levy Property Tax. Motion carried with all ayes.

New Business

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to approve Utility Account Write-Offs totaling \$3,742.02. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to adopt Resolution 2023-336, A Resolution to Revise Policies and Procedures for the Handling and Disposal of Bulk Waste. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Jennifer Hughey, seconded by Bob Moore to pay the accounts. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Craig Blackburn to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes.


Chris Younger, Mayor


Nathan Reed, City Recorder