

**BAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 9, 2009 BAY CITY HALL
7:00 PM**

MAYOR KIRBY STARTED THE MEETING AT 7:00 PM

ALDERMAN ROLL CALL: DONNIE DAVIS, DONALD GRAY, LARRY HALL, DONNIE STEWART,
DAVID MILAM, PHILLIP VANWINKLE –PRESENT

OTHER DEPT. ROLL CALL: DON McINTIRE, ZONING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN-ABSENT,
CRAWFORD HOLMES , W/S SUPT. –ABSENT, DAVID KELLY, POLICE CHIEF -PRESENT

GUESTS: JOHN COOK, ROBERT MITCHELL AND PAUL KEITH

ALDERMAN DONNIE STEWART: INVOCATION

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 9, 2009
MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED BY ALDERMAN DAVIS
SECOND BY ALDERMAN GRAY
NO DISCUSSION
ALL AYES
MOTION CARRIED

2. BIDS RECEIVED FOR CITY CLEAN UP OF LIMBS & DEBRIS FROM ICE STORM.
MAYOR KIRBY STATED THAT DUE TO THE “SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES” FOR CLEAN UP
THAT SEALED BIDS WERE NOT REQUIRED. THREE (3) BIDS WERE REVIEWED, BUT THE
BIDS WERE RECEIVED BEFORE FEMA CONTRACT INFORMATION HAD BEEN RECEIVED.
EACH CONTRACTOR WILL HAVE TO BE CONTACTED AND INFORMED OF THE FEMA
PROVISIONS IN THE EVENT FEMA AIDS IN THE CLEAN UP PROCESS. MAYOR KIRBY SAID
THAT ON SATURDAY THE DEBRIS WAS MEASURED AT APPROXIMATELY 8500 CUBIC
YARDS AND THAT INCLUDED HANGING LIMBS STILL IN TREES. HE IS SCHEDULED TO
MEET WITH A FEMA REPRESENTATIVE TOMMORROW TO FURTHER DISCUSS THE
SITUATION AND WHAT IF ANYTHING THEY MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST WITH. THE BURN
PERMIT FOR THE DEBRIS MUST BE COMPLETED NO LATER THAN MAY 27TH, BUT ALL
WERE IN AGREEMENT IT SHOULD BE DONE MUCH SOONER. THE COUNCIL AGREED
THAT THE MAYOR SHOULD COLLECT ALL INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM FEMA,
CONTACT ANY AND ALL BIDDERS FOR MORE DETAILS ON THEIR BIDS AND MAKE THE
INFORMATION AVAILABLE FOR THE COUNCIL. THE COUNCIL WAS IN COMPLETE
AGREEMENT TO LEAVE THE FINAL DECISION TO MAYOR KIRBY IF THERE WERE NO
RADICAL CHANGES TO WHAT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED. THE MAYOR URGED THE COUNCIL
TO READ THE LENGTHY FEMA CONTRACT AND TO BE AWARE OF THE PROCESS.

3. CITY AUCTION

MAYOR KIRBY SAID DUE TO ICE STORM, AND OTHER UNSCHEDULED EVENTS, GETTING READY FOR AN AUCTION BY MARCH 21ST WOULD BE DIFFICULT, HOWEVER NOT IMPOSSIBLE. HE HAD RESEARCHED HIRING A LICENSED AUCTIONEER, AND 10% OF THE PROFIT SEEMED TO BE THE PROTOCOL. ALDERMAN DAVIS & HALL ASKED THE MAYOR TO RESEARCH THE SPECIFICS OF RUNNING THE AUCTION A LITTLE FURTHER. MAYOR KIRBY SAID THAT HE WOULD GET A LIST OF ITEMS (LARGE TICKET ITEMS) TO BE AUCTIONED TO THE COUNCIL, AND THEY WOULD NEED TO APPROVE THOSE ITEMS IN THE MINUTES OF A MEETING. NO ITEMS UNDER 3 YEARS OF POSSESSION WOULD BE SOLD.

FURTHER DISCUSSION ABOUT THE AUCTION CONTINUED, AND IT WAS UNANOMOUSLY AGREED TO RE-SCHEDULE THE AUCTION FOR APRIL 25TH.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO HAVE A CITY AUCTION APRIL 25TH BY ALDERMAN MILAM
SECOND MOTION BY ALDERMAN DAVIS
NO FURTHER DISCUSSION
ALL AYES
MOTION CARRIED

4. NEW PLAYGROUND

MAYOR KIRBY INFORMED THE COUNCIL THAT HE WAS VERY CLOSE TO PURCHASING THE NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND IF NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE REACHED TO INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MAIN EQUIPMENT & THE TIMBER SURROUNDING IT, HE THOUGHT THE REST OF THE PROJECT COULD BE DONE WITH CITY/COMMUNITY MANPOWER. HE IS planning to ADD TODDLER SWINGS, AND TIRE SWINGS. DONATIONS WOULD PROVIDE BENCHES FOR THE ADULTS TO WATCH THE CHILDREN. A DECISION FOR PURCHASE SHOULD BE COMPLETED THIS WEEK. THE PARK ON CHERRY STREET NEXT TO THE CITY COMMUNITY BUILDING WILL BE THE HOME FOR THE NEW EQUIPMENT. OTHER ADDITIONS WILL BE ADDED ACCORDING TO THE BUDGET.

5. MAYOR KIRBY REPORTED THAT HIS RECENT TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C. HAD BEEN VERY VALUABLE AND HOPES THE CITY WILL BENEFIT FROM NEW FOUND RESOURCES IN THE FUTURE.

6. FEBRUARY POLICE REPORT BY CHIEF DAVID KELLY:

FELONY DRUG ARREST:	6
MISD. DRUG ARREST:	3
NON TRAFFIC ARREST	6
TRAFFIC ARREST	28
WARRANTS SERVED	60

TROOPER/HWY PATROL TICKETS 34
ACCIDENTS WORKED 2

CHIEF KELLY TOLD THE COUNCIL HE WAS CURRENTLY RESEARCHING GRANTS TO HIRE ADDITIONAL OFFICERS, AND WOULD GATHER ALL THE INFORMATION TO PRESENT AT THE NEXT MEETING TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF APPLYING FOR THE GRANT IF IT FIT THE CITY NEED AND BUDGET. HE EXPRESSED HIS DESIRE TO HAVE A FULL TIME OFFICER FOR THE SCHOOL. THE COUNCIL ASKED HIM TO REPORT ALL HIS FINDINGS TO DISCUSS FURTHER AT THE APRIL MEETING.

7. FIRE REPORT

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER AND FIRST RESPONDER JOHN COOK GAVE THE YEARLY FIGURES FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT:

28 FIRES

136 RESCUE & EMS

2 HAZZARDOUS CONDITIONS (NO FIRE)

4 SERVICE CALLS

5 GOOD INTENT CALLS

2 FALSE ALARM/FALSE CALLS

2 SEVERE WEATHER & NATIONAL DISASTERS

1 SPECIAL TYPE

MR. COOK REPORTED NO DEATHS OR INJURIES FOR THE YEAR. MAYOR KIRBY AND COUNCIL COMMENDED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND CITY CREW FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK AND SAID THE CITY WAS PROUD OF THEM.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS;

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY ALDERMAN DAVIS
SECOND BY HALL
ALL AYES