

**CALLED BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
CITY OF MEDINA, TENNESSEE**

Minutes

Monday, February 22, 2021

6:00 PM

- **Medina Elementary School Update**

Alderman Betts asked the Board what were their ideas on the property. He recommended the property be sold and split 50/50 with school system. Alderwoman Presson asked if the city had gotten cost of tearing down building. Mayor Coleman stated not at this time. Mayor Coleman stated he received a drawing of the property with potential sports fields but the property is odd shaped and would not have adequate parking. He does not believe the property would be suitable for fields. Alderman Gilley stated he would be open to what the Board wants to do. Alderman Painter stated that bulldozing may not be the best option and it may be the best option to see what potential buyers are out there for the property as-is. Eddie Pruett, Gibson County School Superintendent, was asked about school board stance, he stated he could not speak for the board- he personally knows both entities own property, both boards need to decide what is the best approach. The school board spends approximately \$31,000 per year for maintenance and insurance on the property.

Alderwoman Presson stated the property has historical significance and land may be worth more without structure. Alderwoman Presson made motion to have the cost for demolition at Monday, March 1, regular board meeting. Alderman Gilley seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0, 1 abstain (Kevin Painter).

- **2021-2022 Budget Workshop**

Salary chart was reviewed and discussed. Based on discussion, Alderwoman Presson made motion to approve raises. Alderman Gilley seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-2. Alderman Painter and Alderman Betts voting no, Mayor Coleman breaking tie. Employee

Longevity bonuses were discussed. After much discussion, Alderman Painter made motion to approve stair step bonuses. Alderman Gilley seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-1 Alderwoman Presson voting no. Alderman Betts made motion to have 1 time pay of \$750 for all employees that currently have 10+ of services. Alderman Painter seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Budget items along with department needs were discussed. Board agreed that laptops for fire department and ammunition for the police department need to be purchased and their budget adjusted. Discussion on trucks for parks and recreation and public works along with mower, air pac for fire department, long term need for 2 bay fire station to free up bay at park maintenance building, Board agreed after review that they are in agreeance to continue the format of the current budget for the new budget and will review the budget for department needs as we get closer to finalizing budget.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vance Coleman, Mayor

Kim Gilley, City Recorder