

Town of Whiteville

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

March 5, 2012

The monthly board meeting of March 5, 2012 was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call was answered by Chandra Johnson, Charles Phillips, Jimmie Lee Robertson, Emily Rosson, Tommy Turner and Sidney Woods.

The minutes of the February 6, 2012 were read and approved on motion by Jimmie Lee Robertson, 2nd by Chandra Johnson. Motion carried.

Rob Jensik with the Hardeman County Chamber of Commerce was present on behalf of Altgen, a company that produces solar energy. Altgen would like to develop their solar farm in the unused and undeveloped portion of our Industrial Park. In return for the lower portion of the park, they propose to build a facility within two years. If not, the land will revert to the Town. The Town will retain two lots for a possible fire station in the future. Also the Town has agreed to give a portion of land to the Humane Society for a building. The same restrictions requiring a building apply to them. After some discussion, a motion was made to have our engineer, Ken King, divide the land into two deeds, for Altgen and the Humane Society and to give Mayor Bellar permission to sign such. 1st by Jimmie Lee Robertson, 2nd by Chandra Johnson. Motion carried.

Grievances of citizens: although several citizens were present*, there were no grievances.

Mayor's reports: Police Chief Stanley presented an ordinance for Financial Responsibility, requiring insurance for drivers, authorizing the Town to hear and collect fines for insurance requirements was presented and passed on 1st reading. 1st by Charles Phillips, 2nd by Emily Rosson. Motion carried.

Chief Stanley also presented a proposal from Comcast to replace our existing internet and phone service at the Police Dept, Water Plant and City Hall. We will be signing a contract for 24 months. A motion was presented allowing Mayor Bellar to sign the contract. 1st by Charles Phillips, 2nd by Tommy Turner. Motion carried.

Mayor Bellar reported that progress is being made on the Avent property.

FFRF lawsuit update: Three weeks ago lawyers met before Magistrate to set up a schedule for motions, etc. Our lawyers served a motion to produce John Doe so their deposition could be taken. Five days later, FFRF proposed a mediation to avoid court. It is scheduled for March 29, 2012.

Aldermen's Reports: Sidney Woods presented the police report.

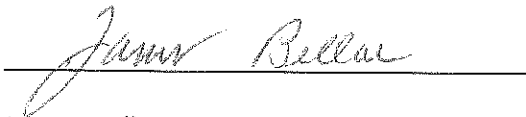
Tommy Turner noted the roof at the park needs patching.

Chandra Johnson asked about progress on removing cars from the junk yard on W. Main. It was reported that work is being done on that property.

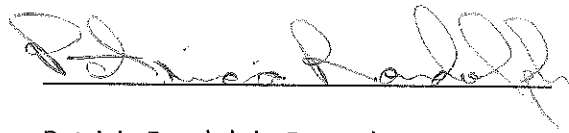
Jimmie Lee Robertson presented the fire report.

There was one request for an adjustment on a water bill in the amount of \$47.43 1st by Jimmie Lee Robertson, 2nd by Chandra Johnson to make the adjustment. Motion carried.

Having no other business to come before the Board, motion to adjourn was made by Charles Phillips and 2nd by Tommy Turner to adjourn. Motion carried.



James Bellar, Mayor



Patricia Randolph, Recorder

*Citizens present at March meeting included: Rob Jensik, Robert Price, Jerry Piper, Ramsey Fleet, George Phillips, Gene Smalley, Gale Wilson, Ernie Burkeen, Debbie Burkeen, Steven Stanley.