

## **BELLS BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 19, 2018**

Aldermen present: Bob Pigue, Scotty Runions, Lee Overton, Dabney Long and Eric Jordan. Mayor Joe M. Williams, presided. Alicia Pigue, Recorder.

Others present: Junior Jordan and Chief Jenkins.

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order and Alderman Bob Pigue gave invocation.

Alderman Eric Jordan moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as written. Alderman Dabney Long seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams presented the financial reports.

Mayor Williams announced the finalization of the deed transfer for the land known as Map 89 parcel number 12.02 from Robert Reynolds to the City of Bells.

Mayor Williams announced that the process to begin condemning Peggy Clements house on Titus Circle had begun. Ms. Clements was due to be at the meeting but did not show. Mayor Williams said he would discuss further action to take with City Attorney Jasper Taylor.

Mayor Williams discussed the Marcum property.

Mayor Williams discussed the Betty Bills property adjacent to the Bells Nursing Home and discussed the value of the property once donated to the City by the sons of Ms. Bills. Alderman Scotty Runions moved to ask \$50,000 for the property once donated to the City. Alderman Eric Jordan seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with all Aldermen present and all Aldermen voting, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams announced the City of Bells employee Christmas party would be held on December 4, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Catfish Cabin in Jackson.

Mayor Williams requested the employee Christmas bonus be set to \$500/\$100 (ft/pt) as in previous years. Alderman Eric Jordan moved to accept the request. Alderman Scotty Runions seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with all Aldermen present and all Aldermen voting, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams discussed property evaluations for buildings in the downtown area. Alderman Eric Jordan moved to offer \$20,000 to Norberto Martinez for his building and \$25,000 to Glenn Bonifield for his building. Alderman Scotty Runions seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with all Aldermen present and all Aldermen voting, Aye. Motion carried.

Chief Jenkins requested 5 phone lines through FIRSTNET, a phone plan offered to first responders giving priority for connections during disasters. Alderman Eric Jordan moved to approve the request at \$39.99 per line for 5 lines. Alderman Scotty Runions seconded the motion. Thereupon Mayor Williams called for a roll call vote with all Aldermen present and all Aldermen voting, Aye. Motion carried.

Chief Jenkins discussed Policies and a Speedcounter.

City Superintendent Junior Jordan discussed increasing the increments in which employees accrue sick and vacation leave depending on the amount of time they've been employed.

Being no further business Alderman Lee Overton moved the meeting adjourn.

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JOE M WILLIAMS, MAYOR

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ALICIA PIGUE, RECORDER