

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Knight called to order the regular meeting of the Rutledge city council on the above date.

Council members Brenda Thompson, Tom Strott and James Bratcher were present.

Council member Bill Spann was absent.

Mayor Knight advised the agenda will be amended to remove Executive Session and add Weyerhaeuser discussion.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

James Bratcher made motion to approve the September 19, 2011 meeting minutes as submitted. Brenda Thompson seconded, all voted in favor and motion carried.

BUSINESS LICENSE APPROVAL – DAVID EVANS

Mayor Knight advised the council that David Evans had submitted a business license application for Rutledge Outlet. It will be located in the former Barn Raising storefront. He said the business will be selling a variety of inexpensive items.

He said that use is allowed.

Tom Strott made motion to approve the business license for Rutledge Outlet.

James Bratcher seconded, all voted in favor and motion carried.

APPROVAL SPLOST RESOLUTION

Mayor Knight stated that the city had submitted a list of proposed projects for SPLOST 2013 totaling \$500,000.00 to Morgan County Board of Commissioners. Tom Strott made motion to approve the City of Rutledge SPLOST resolution.

Brenda Thompson seconded, all voted in favor and motion carried.

WEYERHAEUSER DISCUSSION

Mayor Knight advised the council that he had met with Weyerhaeuser at their request. Weyerhaeuser wants the City to amend the agreement we have with them on the Fears Road tank.

They don't think they will be able to get their money out of the project as proposed in the agreement.

He told them that we have spent money also that we have not recovered.

He told them that he will put the idea to the council for discussion.

No decision was reached pending further information from Weyerhaeuser.

GARDEN CLUB – PLANTS FOR CITY HALL

Mayor Knight stated that the Garden Club wants to beautify the dock at City Hall. They want to place 3 big planters on the dock, paint the doors green, and place a mural on the building.

The mural will be painted on wood and attached to the building.

Brenda Thompson asked what will be painted on the mural.

Mayor Knight said we will see what they propose.

Brenda Thompson said we don't need to approve the mural unless we know what will be painted on it.

The decision will be made once the information is received on the mural.

DISCUSSION OF PURCHASE OF TRACH HOE AND TRUCK

James Bratcher stated that he had talked with Chad Whitley and Ernest Clark on the condition of the city's track hoe and truck. He feels that now is the time to replace them both. He said to get a good used truck and back hoe.

Mayor Knight stated that the purchase of a back hoe is in this year's budget and we will be getting prices on one.

He said they need to know how much has been spent on truck repairs.

Assistant clerk Ouida Autry said we have spent \$2864.00 since July 2010 on truck repairs consisting of a new alternator, water pump, battery, door repairs, and tires.

Tom Strott asked what shape is the truck really in.

Mayor Knight said he feels if it runs it is okay.

He said we can check prices on a used truck.

DISCUSSION OF OLD JAIL REPAIRS

Mayor Knight advised the council that Richard Lamonte wants to look into painting the downstairs area of the jail to use for a film project. He said he will tell Mr. Lamonte to bring us a proposal of what his plans are and we will discuss it in detail once he gives us the plans.

Tom Strott made motion to adjourn. James Bratcher seconded, all voted in favor and motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED.