

**PUBLIC HEARING
NEWBERN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
MARCH 18, 2008
6:30 PM**

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HWY 77 REZONE

Vice Mayor Fesmire called the meeting to order and stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss in open forum the rezoning of Hwy 77. City Recorder Jason Roberts presented the members with a map of the proposed rezoning and explained the proposal. Recorder Roberts stated that the planning commission was presented with a request to rezone property along Hwy 77 from R-2 to B-1. This rezoning would change properties on the Northern and Southern sides of Hwy 77 a distance of 500 feet. Recorder Roberts stated that the planning commission recommended the rezoning of the property. The Board questioned the possible effects on existing residences. Jeff Harris approached the Board and recommended the rezoning if it did not adversely affect the homeowners in the proposed route. There were no other attendees present.

With no further discussion Vice Mayor Fesmire adjourned the meeting at 7:00PM.

**REGULAR MEETING
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CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Mayor Larry Fesmire called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked Alderman Parker to open with a prayer in continuance of the tradition Mayor K.W. Dennison had started. The Board of Mayor and Aldermen reviewed the minutes from the February 19th Regular Meeting. Alderman Hart made a motion to accept the minutes with Alderman Dycus second. All voted aye and the minutes were approved.

VISITORS AND VISITORS BUSINESS

Vice Mayor Fesmire welcomed the visitors and asked if any had business with the Board. There were none.

OLD BUSINESS

Hwy 77 Re-Zone

Discussion continued on the proposed rezoning of Hwy 77. Alderman Parker made a motion to suspend with the second reading of the Ordinance with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the motion to suspend carried. The question was raised on whether or not proper notification was given to the home owners that would be affected by the rezoning. City Recorder Roberts stated that the notice was posted in City Hall and an advertisement was run in the Dyersburg News newspaper fulfilling the city's obligation. Alderman Parker suggested the property owners in the affected area be notified in writing and given the opportunity to file a grievance with the City Board before the next meeting. Alderman Parks made a motion to approve the rezoning and notify the homeowners in writing with Alderman Parker second. Mary Dycus voted nay with the remaining members of the Board voting aye. The motion carried 5 to 1.

NEW BUSINESS

S T ENVIRONMENT REPORT

Randy Gregory addressed the Board and stated that the construction group has checked the influent pumps and made adjustments. To date, the adjustments have corrected problem areas.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

None

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Police Chief Harold Dunivant requested permission to hire an officer to fill the void created from a recent departure. Alderman Hart made a motion to hire the officer with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the motion carried.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

None

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT

None

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Utilities Office Manager Rosalind Green stated that TVA increased their base rate by 7% and a fuel cost adjustment of two cents that would begin April 1st. Alderman Hart made a motion to adjust our rates accordingly with Alderman Parker second. All voted aye and the motion carried.

GAS DEPARTMENT REPORT

None

WATER & SEWER REPORT

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

Vice Mayor Fesmire congratulated the Dyer County Choctaws Men's Basketball team on their accomplishments this season and stated how proud the Board and town were of them and their fantastic accomplishments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:10 p.m., there being no further business to discuss Alderman Parker made a motion to adjourn with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the meeting was adjourned.

BEER AND LIQUOR BOARD NEWBERN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN MARCH 18, 2008 7:10 P.M.

The Newbern Beer and Liquor Board met in called session in the Board Meeting Room at the Newbern Municipal Building. Vice Mayor Larry Fesmire presiding. Aldermen present were Mary Dycus, Bill Parks, Olen Parker, Kathy Clements and Robert Hart. Also present were City Recorder Jason Roberts, Utilities Office Manager Rosalind Green and Police Chief Harold Dunivant.

TOBACCO POST

City Recorder Jason Roberts addressed the Board and stated that a request had been made by Steve Williams for a beer permit for the tobacco post. Mr. Roberts stated that Chief Dunivant had performed a background check and the applicant met all criteria necessary. Alderman Hart made a motion to approve the Beer Permit with Alderman Parks second. Alderman Dycus opposed the motion with all others voting aye carrying the motion.

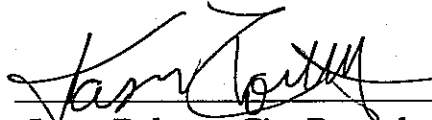
ADJOURNMENT

At 7:25 p.m., there being no further business to discuss Alderman Parker made a motion to adjourn with Alderman Parks second. All voted aye and the meeting was adjourned.

VISITORS PRESENT

Doug Tyler, Danny Patterson, Wendi Mills, Jeff Harris, Sandy Hill, James Wilkerson, Dan Post, Greg Barr, Philip Cottrell, Randy Gregory, Chris Rimel and Glenn Campbell.

Larry Fesmire, Vice Mayor



Jason Roberts, City Recorder