

Special called City Commission meeting - August 8, 1983), City Hall

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners present were Benson, Stiffey & Pearson.

The Mayor told those in attendance, he had had many favorable comments about the looks of the cemetery in the past year and felt we couldn't let what had already been accomplished go down the drain. Therefore, he felt the first priority should be given to the purchase of replacement equipment at the cemetery. Comm. Stiffey ask where this equipment would be housed after it was purchased. The city fire department and Custom Design Memorial were suggested. Comm. Stiffey agreed to let the equipment be stored in his storage barn if competent help was hired at the cemetery. All commissioners agreed the ideal situation would be to house the equipment at Bob Schultz's place of business during the mowing season and at the city fire station during the winter. Mayor Milliken presented a motion to authorize the purchase of a riding mower and a push mower, comparable to the one that was stolen and at a reasonable price. Also immediately purchase the insurance quoted by McGuffey Insurance for \$121.80 per three year period for \$5,000.00 worth of theft insurance, and that the equipment be housed at Custom Design Memorial during the mowing season and at the city Fire station during the off season, seconded by Comm. Stiffey. Roll call and vote - Stiffey yes, Benson yes, Pearson Milliken yes.

It was also brought before the commission; there is an apparent discrepancy among Bob Schultz and Ms. Jordan as to the exact duties each is to perform. The Mayor said he would write a letter to both of them, (copy attached), and outline to the best of his ability their duties.

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Comm. Benson ask if the mower that remains at the cemetery could be put up for sale. A motion made by Comm. Stiffey stated, Bob Schultz be allowed to advertise for sealed bids by word of mouth for a period of , approximately twenty days, and then sell the mower to the best bidder, seconded by Comm. Benson. Roll call and vote- Benson yes, Stiffey yes, Milliken yes, Pearson yes.

First reading Ordinance #83.1-650.5- grave fee increase

The Mayor read the above described Ordinance authorizing the cemetery to charge a fee of \$175.00 for the sale of-grave lots. He advised the commissioners the second- reading would be Aug. 22, the regular scheduled meeting.

After a brief discussion regarding the maintenance around the headstones at the cemetery, Comm. Benson made a motion all monuments set in the future be required to have a three inch concrete apron surrounding the base, thus eliminating the use of a weed eater, which will save maintenance costs, seconded by Comm. Stiffey. Roll call and vote - Pearson yes, Milliken yes, Benson- yes, Stiffey yes.

It was brought before the commission the problem of personnel at the cemetery who drink while working. Mayor Milliken said if Bob Schultz was hired to be responsible for these people, then he should handle this situation. Comm. Benson agreed to talk to Mr. Schultz about this situation.

Quote for purchase of calculator for City Hall

The Mayor presented a quote in the amount of \$135.00 from Bowman Kelley for the purchase of a calculator for city hall. A motion to accept this quote was made by Comm. Benson, seconded by Comm. Stiffey. Roll call and vote - Benson yes, Milliken yes, Pearson yes, Stiffey yes.

Leland Anderson Benefit

Mayor Milliken said he had been approached by Wayne Wingfield regarding donations from the city and the City Fire Dept. to aid this benefit in the amount of \$250.00. He said there was a miscellaneous fund appropriated in the budget for the city Fire Dept. which could be used for this cause. Comm. Benson made a motion this commitment be honored, seconded by Comm. Pearson. Roll call and vote – Benson, yes, Milliken yes, Stiffey yes, Pearson yes. Building permits – High Quality Inc., Terry Lon" Over the Rainbow Center Building permits for High Quality Inc. to erect a one family structure in the Rice Addition, a storage shed at the Terry Long residence and for remodeling by Deon Benson for a Daycare Center was presented to the commission for their approval. After a brief discussion of same, a motion to issue these three permits was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Stiffey. Roll call and vote - Pearson yes, Milliken yes, Stiffey yes, Benson yes.

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Comm. Benson said there was a tree which juts out obstructing pedestrians view in front of Mrs. Gertie Walker's house. He wondered if Comm. Pearson, as Street Commissioner, could see if something could be done about this. Comm. Stiffey said there was another tree at Second & Main which was also causing a problem. Comm. Benson made a motion we authorize Comm. Pearson to spend a maximum of \$50.00 for trimming, cutting, or whatever is deemed necessary to remedy these two situations, seconded by Comm. Stiffey. Roll call and vote Pearson yes, Stiffey yes, Milliken yes, Benson, yes.

With no further business to be heard a motion to adjourn was presented.

Approved: W. Currie Milliken
Mayor

Attest: Dorothy J. Neal
City Clerk