

MUNICIPAL AID & LGEAF USE HEARING - MAY 18, 1998 - CITY HALL - 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Gilley stated in his use message that Beeler, Hedge and the curve on Lawson that had been widened to accommodate school buses, were on the use proposed budget for 1998-1999. Comm. Hardy wondered why Laurel Avenue wasn't included on this proposed budget. He said that this was the area that he personally received the most complaints about. Mayor Gilley said that he had taken Magistrate Carrier to this area seeking his help in getting the county to repair the area. Magistrate Carrier told Mayor Gilley he couldn't do anything to after the election. Comm. Hardy also said that he would like to see additional speed, street and any other sign that is needed to this budget. He said the alleys throughout the city were now being taken care of in the spring and fall and this has made a great improvement throughout the city. Mayor Gilley said these funds came from the budgeted funds under maintenance and repair. But Ma & LGEAF funds could be used for this purpose if necessary. Comm. Martin suggested it might be a good idea to put gravel on Fourth Street close to the school where the buses swing out when leaving the school. With no further suggestions or comments to be heard, Mayor Gilley declared the MA & LGEAF hearing closed.

FY 1998-1999 PROPOSED BUDGET HEARING

Mayor Gilley called for changes or additions to the proposed budget for FY 1998-1999 that the clerk had presented. Comm. Lacy wondered what the total funds for use were. The clerk stated they were \$716,434 for total proposed income, and \$493,236 for proposed expenditures, which should leave a total of \$123, 198 at the close of FY 1998-1999. Comm. Martin ask what about the renovation of city hall. The clerk stated that there was a proposed total of \$104,462 in the budget for this purpose. Mayor Gilley added that if these funds were needed for sidewalks, then they would be used. Mayor Gilley called for additional comments or corrections to the FY 1998-1999 budget. With none to be heard, he declared the hearing closed.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Additions or corrections to same were called for by Mayor Gilley. With none to be heard, Comm. Hardy presented a motion, the minutes be accepted as written, seconded by Comm. Martin. roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Hardy yes, Lacy yes.

2. Treasurer's report

The commission reviewed the report and with no additions or corrections to be heard, Comm. Lacy floored a motion the report be accepted as printed, seconded by Comm. Cooke. roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Hardy yes, Lacy yes.

3. Advertisement for additional city police patrol car

Mayor Gilley explained that with the hiring of an additional policeman, the city was now in need of an additional car. Mayor Gilley suggested that the city could advertise for bids for this car, and if all of them were too high, then the city could check through the state pool to see if any were available. The clerk agreed to advertise for the vehicle for the police. She ask when they wanted to open the bids. They said at the June 22 meeting. Comm. Martin presented a motion the clerk now advertise for this bid seconded by Comm. Hardy. roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Gilley yes, Martin yes, Hardy yes, Lacy yes.

4. Department reports

Cemetery: Comm. Lacy reported that WRECC had cut the two big trees at the cemetery and the Highway Dept. had agreed to remove them, which has saved the city considerable money. He said the mower was doing a pretty good job.

Streets: Commissioners Cooke & Hardy said they had no complaints from anyone.

Police: Comm. Martin read the monthly police report, (attached). She also said they she had ordered the radio for James Graves and it would probably be about 3-4 weeks before it would be delivered. Ray Lewis wondered if there was anything the city police could do about parking on the sidewalks. Chief Sneed said they would issue warning tickets and if they still continued to part there, then they would give them a ticket. Chief Sneed said the patrol car tires were getting very thin. Comm. Martin said she would check prices for them.

5. Other:

Donald Laws wondered what the situation was for building the Dollar General Store. He said he had heard it would be built next to Ron Studles. Mayor Gilley said that was his opinion, but no permits or zone changes had been applied for.

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

APPROVED: _____ ATTEST: _____
James R. Gilley, Mayor Dorothy J. Neal, City Clerk