

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2005
6:30 P.M.**

The Murray City Council met in regular session on Thursday, December 8, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, with Mayor Rushing presiding.

Council Members Present: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Dan Miller, Robert Billington, Pat Scott, Jason Pittman, Butch Sargent, and Bill Wells.

Council Members Absent: Lance Allison, Pete Lancaster, Doris Parham, Rita Henley.

Staff Present: Don Elias, J. L. Barnett, Ken Claud, Ricky Stewart, Gail Mullins, Matt Mattingly, Philip Morris, Don Leet, Harla McClure, and Warren Hopkins.

Minutes of the council meeting held November 22, 2005, were presented for approval. **Dr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Pittman,** to approve the minutes as written. With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for a voice vote, which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Mayor Rushing recognized Mae Flint, Murray Calloway County Tourism Director. Ms. Flint was present to provide information to the council regarding the Tourism's request to transfer \$34,000 from the escrow account to assist with the costs of a computerized ticketing system called TicketMaster.

Ms. Flint stated that the Tourism Commission met on February 23, 2005, and approved the expenditure. She stated one of the biggest goals is to bring in larger trade shows, conventions, and smaller trade shows and conventions for overnight guests. Having TicketMaster will increase tourism dollars in the community because they are able to reach a larger market and bring in bigger shows.

Another aspect of TicketMaster is the barcode entry system. The system is used for marketing purposes because a patron can go to the TicketMaster website and see what upcoming events they might be interested in, which will include our facilities.

Dr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Massey to approve the expenditure of \$34,000 from the Tourism Escrow account for the costs of a computerized ticketing system called TicketMaster. With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Robert Billington, Butch Sargent, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared the motion approved.

Ordinance Number 2005-1394 an ordinance repealing Chapter 35, Personnel Rules and Regulations, of the City of Murray Code of Ordinances was presented to the council on a second reading. **Mr. Billington moved, seconded by Mr. Pittman** to adopt said ordinance. With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Robert Billington, Butch Seargent, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared Ordinance Number 2005-1394 adopted on the second reading and recorded in Ordinance Book Number 6, Page _____.

Resolution Number 2005-012 a Resolution adopting and approving the execution of a Municipal Road Aid Bond Fund Agreement between the incorporated area and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Transportation Cabinet, Department of Intergovernmental Programs and accepting all streets referred to therein as being streets which are a part of the incorporated area regarding bituminous resurfacing on various city streets was presented to the council for approval.

Mr. Pittman moved, seconded by Mr. Scott to approve said Resolution. With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Robert Billington, Butch Seargent, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared Resolution Number 2005-12 approved.

Mayor Rushing recognized Bill Wells and requested that he provide a report from the Finance/Personnel Committee which met December 5th. Mr. Wells stated the committee met in executive session to discuss the sale of property.

Mr. Wells moved, as unanimously recommended by the Finance Committee, to give preliminary approval for the City of Murray to enter into a Lease Agreement with American Legion, Post #73, a non-profit, non-stock, congressionally chartered corporation, with said Agreement contingent upon site approval and building design by the City of Murray. **Mr. Scott seconded the motion.** The property is located on CC Lowry Drive and is approximately two acres. With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for a roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Robert Billington, Butch Seargent, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared the recommendation approved.

Mr. Wells stated that the Committee also discussed the sale of property to the Murray Calloway County Economic Development Corporation. **Mr. Wells moved, as unanimously recommended by the Finance Committee,** to sell thirty acres of property owned by the City of Murray and located south of the wastewater treatment plant, to the Murray Calloway County EDC for a purchase price of \$30,000, in good faith. Said property was originally used for land farming sludge; however, it lies in the flood plain and can no longer be used for same. With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the roll call vote, which is recorded as follows:

AYES: Danny Hudspeth, Hugh Massey, Dan Miller, Jason Pittman, Pat Scott, Robert Billington, Butch Seargent, and Bill Wells.

NAYS: None.

Mayor Rushing declared the recommendation approved.

Mayor Rushing recognized Hugh Massey, and requested that he provide a report from the Public Works Committee. Mr. Massey stated the committee met to review bids for a pumping station and main force on Poor Farm Road.

CONTRACTOR	AMOUNT	DEDUCT ADDENDUM
Burgess & Associates	\$158,840.36	HFE - \$2,000 Pumps - \$15,000
Lynnson, Inc.	\$187,453.00	HFE - \$11,700
Lakeshore Tech	\$205,663.59	None
Revell Construction Co, Inc.	\$178,250.00	HFE - \$8,000

Mr. Massey moved, as unanimously recommended by the Public Works Committee, to accept the bid of Burgess & Associates in the amount of \$158,840.36 for a pumping station and main force on Poor Farm Road. **Mr. Billington seconded the motion.** With no further discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the voice vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Mayor Rushing recognized Chief Ken Claud. Chief Claud stated that Officer Scott Svebakken received the Governor's Highway Safety Award for the last few years. He also received the statewide honor award in Division 3 for the most arrests.

Mr. Wells stated the next Make a Difference Day is January 7, 2006. He also provided the year end totals for 2005: 956 eyeglasses; 1040 gallons of oil; 133 tons of paper; 691 inkjet cartridges; 5500 pounds of clothes; 204 cell phones; 10460 pounds of glass; and 5335 pounds of aluminum cans.

Mayor Rushing asked for a recommendation regarding the meeting on December 22nd. **Mr. Scott moved, seconded by Dr. Miller** to cancel the meeting. With no discussion, Mayor Rushing called for the voice vote which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

With no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

H. Thomas Rushing, Mayor

Attest:

Harla McClure, City Clerk