

**MONTEVALLO DEVELOPMENT COOPERATIVE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Montevillo City Hall
Minutes**

**Regular Meeting
August 10, 2020
1:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Dee Woodham, Reed Prince (Zoom), Mark Richard (Zoom)
Staff Present: Trey Gauntt (Zoom), Regina Ashmore, Susan Hayes (Zoom)
Others Present: Mayor Hollie Cost (Zoom), Maggie Benson, City of Montevillo; Jason Peterson, Rusty Nix (Zoom), Joyce Thompson (Zoom), Facebook live-streamed

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 pm by Chairman Woodham. Mr. Prince, Mr. Richard and Chairman Woodham were in attendance creating a quorum. A notice for this meeting was posted on July 27, 2020.

Mr. Prince made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 13, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Richard. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of three (3-0), with Chairman Woodham, Mr. Richard, and Mr. Prince voting in favor.

Chairman Woodham stated the Dailey Park project was discussed briefly. Mayor Cost informed the Board there was not enough square footage to install a basketball court. The city council approved the improvements as presented and requested the Board consider funding the architectural landscape design portion of the project up to \$15,000. Mr. Richard made a motion to approve up to \$15,000 from city excess funds for the design work for Dailey Park. The motion was seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of three (3-0), with Chairman Woodham, Mr. Richard and Mr. Prince voting in favor.

Mayor Cost provided an update on the potential TAP grant for sidewalk improvements along Highway 25. She feels confident the project could be approved. Several representatives are coming to walk the route as part of the decision making process. Chairman Woodham stated if the project is approved the local match would be \$360,000.

Mr. Gauntt stated the Highway 25 crosswalk project work was scheduled to begin the last week of August with a completion within three months.

Mr. Gilbert explained a consumer survey conducted by the Chamber of Commerce on three individual items; grocery and dining, retail, and the farmer's market. The submittal deadline is today at 6:00 pm and the data should be available by the end of the week.

Mr. Gauntt stated the kiosks are still pending while the paving contractor is working around school schedules and should complete the paving soon.

Ms. Hayes updated the Board on the budget line item transfers that cleaned up several projects leaving only two fully funded open projects; Highway 25 crosswalk improvements and Phase IV paving.

Mayor Cost stated the city had interest in developing the Victory property. A brewery and a hotel would share the property with the brewery on the front side and the hotel in the back on the same lot with a storm shelter also being installed. The city performed a study of the sidewalk infrastructure and if work were approved the city would ask the Board for \$250,000 for Phase 1 of the sidewalk project.

Mayor Cost had no update on the Tavern waterline, but the city will handle the project.

The Board discussed the potential purchase of a vehicle for the fire chief and determined while it would be an appropriate use of funds, it is better to focus MDCD funds for capital long-term appreciating investments.

The Board also discussed the upcoming elections and the desire to continue to have a fruitful relationship with any new incoming elected city official enabling a joint effort to create a capital project budget for the Board to implement and fund for continued improvements throughout the city.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 14, 2020 at 1:00 pm in the Council Chambers at Montevallo City Hall. The meeting will be streamed on Facebook live and the Zoom login will be provided for the meeting.

There being no further business, Mr. Richard made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of two (3-0), with Chairman Woodham, Mr. Richard and Mr. Prince voting in favor, the meeting of August 10, 2020 was adjourned at 1:22 pm.

Regina Ashmore
Recording Secretary

Dee Woodham, Chairman
Montevallo Development Cooperative District