

Special Called City Council Meeting
November 25, 2009@ 1:00PM

Present: Mayor William Isley, Herbert Toles, Hugh Marlin, Wayne Tucker, Katrina Hennings, David Jones and Brian Skinner. John Coyne was absent.

Mayor William Isley called the meeting to order and stated the purpose of the meeting is to consider entering into a contract and approve the order for playground equipment for Big Springs Park. Mayor reminded everyone this comes as a recommendation from the playground committee appointed. Katrina Hennings stated citizens have brought the need for playground equipment to the Council before and she feels the City should purchase enter into the contract for the equipment.

Mayor Isley presented a copy of the quote showing the projected cost of approx \$ 52, 296.44, but in order for the City to receive the guarantee price and discount we must take action soon.

In addition to the cost of the equipment, the City will have to purchase fencing, picnic tables with roof and slab bringing the cost up to \$ 58, 756.44.

Mayor Isley discussed several options; leasing the equipment; apply for a two year bank loan or use reserve monies of the City. Council discussed and agreed to use city monies, since the interest rate earned now is much lower than the loan interest rate. Council also discussed that upcoming fundraiser monies for playground equipment are placed into the general fund.

After discussion Mayor Isley called for a vote to approve entering into a contract to purchase the playground equipment. Motion to approve spending up to \$ 59, 000 was made by David Jones, second by Herbert Toles. Motion carried unanimously.

Next on the agenda was to consider purchasing property from individuals who have contacted Mayor Isley regarding property off Highway 11 South, Marietta Road and property off Old Talladega Road. Mayor Isley asked the Council if they would like to go into recess and visit the property off Old Talladega, which consist of 4 acres adjacent to Big Springs Park, which the owners are asking \$ 400,000. 00. Council recessed at approx 1:30PM and everyone present was invited to visit the property.

Council went back into session on site at the property off Old Talladega Road at approx 2:00 pm and motion was made by David Jones to allow Mayor Isley to contact the property owner and negotiate a price for the property and bring back before the City Council. Katrina Hennings second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn at approx 2:10 pm was made by Wayne Tucker. Motion carried unanimously.

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ATTEST:

Brenda Roberts, City Clerk
Helen Williams

Mayor William Isley