

REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular monthly session on Monday, September 9, 2013, at 6:00 PM at the City Hall in Jamestown when the following proceedings were had and entered of record, to-wit:

Present and Presiding, the Honorable Ryan S. Smith; Gail Dishmon, Recorder; and the following members of the Board:

Present: Ed Brady, Corwin Brown, Charles Cooper, Danny Hayes, Gene Holt

Absent: None

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order; asked the Recorder to do a roll call, which showed all members present; dispensed with the reading of the Minutes of the previous session on a motion by Gene Holt, seconded by Danny Hayes; and welcomed all those present.

Mayor Smith then gave an update regarding the old Food City Building. The City had been told that White Realty wanted to give the building to the City. But it has now been sold to a local purchaser who has sold it to someone else who supposedly plans to put in a business.

Mayor Smith related that according to MTAS (Municipal Technical Advisory Service), the City needs to have a formal agreement or contract with whoever the City Attorney is. They recommended the City release a RFQ (Request for Qualifications) which sets out the requirements for the position. The chosen Attorney would then be put on a retainer. On a motion by Ed Brady, seconded by Charles Cooper, the Board voted unanimously for such action to be taken.

Local Attorney Tom Potter spoke to the Board in support of the Civil War Trails Marker that the Chamber of Commerce wishes to establish for Jamestown and Fentress County.

On a motion by Gene Holt, seconded by Charles Cooper, the Board voted unanimously to appropriate the one-time cost of \$1,100 for the Civil War Trails marker.

No action was taken on the next item on the agenda which was "hauling trash/junk off old City Dump property." It will be held over until next month's meeting.

Mayor Smith then said: "We've been working for some time to lower the gas rates, and feel that the best way to do this would be to implement a rolling rate based on actual cost of the gas plus our distribution costs. We have also discussed lowering the cost of tap fees and meter deposits."

Mayor Smith said he thought more people would sign up if the hookup (tap) cost was lowered. He further said he would be meeting with the gas representative to renegotiate the fee the City pays for gas.

After much discussion regarding the matter, action was deferred to the October meeting.

Under new business, discussion was had regarding a request from the Fentress County Industrial Board for the City to provide natural gas service to the new Clarkrange Business Park.