

**MONTEVALLO DEVELOPMENT COOPERATIVE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Parnell Memorial Library
Minutes**

**Regular Meeting
April 2, 2018
4:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Dee Woodham, Reed Prince
Staff Present: Regina Ashmore, Susan Hayes,
Others Present: Steve Gilbert, Montevallo Chamber of Commerce; Mary Ellen Heuton,

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 pm by Chairman Woodham.

Mr. Prince made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2018 meeting. Chairman Woodham seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all with a two to zero vote.

Chairman Woodham stated the city council approved phase two of the paving project. According to Mr. Gauntt the bids are let in the spring with paving estimated to begin in the summer.

Chairman Woodham recommended removing the Highway 10 crosswalk improvements from the budget items until the University moves forward with work required on their property; liberating \$28,000 for other projects.

Mr. Gilbert stated the rebranding would be finalized mid-month. Ms. Brooks is looking at the sign regulations to determine the allowable signage for wayfinding. The city may have to approach private land owners outside ALDOT right of way.

Chairman Woodham stated the Highway 25 crosswalk should be considered at the top of the list. The corridor should have some linkage to the downtown renovations. Mr. Gauntt is gathering estimates and will report back to the Board.

Chairman Woodham asked the Board to review two proposals for cross street signage. The city prefers the hanging option. The current bid is \$6,200 to do all cross streets without labeling Main Street. Mr. Prince made a motion to approve up to \$6,200 for cross street signage that is mounted from the top from contingency funds. Chairman Woodham seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all with a two to zero vote.

Chairman Woodham stated the Board had been asked to consider \$500 for mini lights for Owls Cove Park. Mr. Gilbert will attend a meeting on Tuesday to discuss the next phase of improvements or the park and would make a formal request once the committee determines a priority.

Chairman Woodham stated the parking stops had been installed at Main Street Tavern parking lot but had not been anchored at this time. The installation should prevent damage the

landscaping in the future. The clock tower was installed and is waiting for the time capsule to be sealed before landscaping the base.

The planning efforts are in process with several meetings on the horizon for public involvement. Mr. Gilbert is leading the effort to establish a steering committee with the first meeting set for April 26 at 6pm. The second public meeting will be May 17 with a third meeting in June.

The city is looking at the cost for a bridge at Shoal Creek Park the Board should expect a proposal for park improvements coming soon.

Chairman Woodham asked the Board to consider the current bank account status. If moved to a Vanguard account the rates change daily, or the local banks have various rate increases that would yield a larger return on the overall investment. The Board agreed to accept 1.50% on Central State Bank and 1.41% on BankTrust accounts. Ms. Hayes stated the Board has two more years on the bond fund.

The Board discussed Owls Cove Park rear entrance. Mr. Gilbert stated the entry could use some crushed gravel. Chairman Woodham stated the MOA needed to be put into place soon to allow for proper maintenance of the park.

Mr. Gilbert stated the city would know if it was awarded a brownfield grant in May. The original application was revised and resubmitted this year.

Mr. Prince made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Woodham seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all with a three to zero vote.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.