

**City of Baxter
Special Called Meeting
Visitor's Center
April 20, 2017
6:00 p.m.**

A. Call to Order

Mayor John Martin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call

City Recorder Sharon Carlile called roll. Present were Alderman Dustin Stanton, Alderman Greg Phillips, Alderman Jeff Herald, and Mayor John Martin. Alderman Willie Allison was absent.

C. Business:

1. Planning of Industrial Access Road

The Mayor discussed the Industrial Access Road to Fixtur World. TDOT says the ground is not in good condition. The state would have to pay a million dollars for their part. The cities' part would be 1,600,000.00.

Alderman Dustin Stanton communicated he didn't feel the city had the equipment or manpower to run a road of this magnitude.

2. Interest Rate Approval for Capital Outlay Note- Fire Truck

The bids were as follows: Southeast - 2.65%, Citizens Bank – 3.45%, Putnam First Merchantile- 4.95%, First Volunteer- 3.85%, Bank of Putnam County- 2.95%

The board voted to award the bid to Southeast Bank at a rate of 2.65% for three years with semi-annual payments.

Alderman Greg Phillips made a motion and Alderman Dustin Stanton seconded the motion to approve awarding the bid to Southeast Bank.

Vote: Phillips- yes, Herald- yes, Stanton-yes. Motion carried.

3. Checking Account for Park Donations

Donations are being collected for equipment for the park. The funds need to be in a separate checking account.

A motion was made by Alderman Jeff Herald and seconded by Alderman Dustin Stanton to approve the opening of the checking account with Mayor John Martin and City Recorder Sharon Carlile as the signers on the account.

4. TDOT Traffic Lights

Mayor Martin had a meeting with TDOT about the lights at the Titan Development area. TDOT is going to do a traffic study about the impact of this development on traffic in the area. The Mayor is going to meet with TDOT after all the studies are done.

5. Street Department Full Time Position

The board will be doing interviews for this position on Monday, April 24th,2017.

6. 2017-18 Budget Discussions

The department heads presented their budgets to the board. The board spent time going over each department and looking at projected expenses versus projected revenues. No definite decisions were made on the 2017-18 Budget.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Carlile, City Recorder

John Martin, Mayor