

a. Fertilizer

*The low bid from Dickens Turf and Landscaping at \$16,228.75 was recommended for the 2015 calendar year.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Jesse Kerley, seconded by Council Member Pete Souza, that the low bid be approved as recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Council Member Pete Souza, Council Member Jesse Kerley, Mayor James Mayberry, Mayor Pro-tem Pamala Harris and Council Member Danny Wyatt

b. HVAC (Palace Theatre)

*An HVAC unit is in need of replacement at the Palace Theatre. The low bid of Action Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$9,256 was recommended for acceptance.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Pete Souza, seconded by Council Member Jesse Kerley, that the low bid be approved as recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Council Member Pete Souza, Council Member Jesse Kerley, Mayor James Mayberry, Mayor Pro-tem Pamala Harris and Council Member Danny Wyatt

5. Marketing Report

February Marketing Report

*Marketing Director Billy Loggins provided updates on the following:*

- *Freedom in Flight - Bald Eagle event on February 16 at the Visitor's Center*
- *Tennessee Tourism Vacation Guides*
- *Healthier TN*
- *Select Travel Group*
- *Tennessee Environmental Council February 21st Event*
- *Event Calendar*
- *Sustainable Communities*

*He also reported that he has been working with a retailer who wanted to be operational in the Fall. They have found a new location and will be open in March.*

**This Report was received and filed**

6. Other Business

a. Discussion and action on County building inspections

*As discussed at the work session, the building inspection program for Cumberland County is at the end of the 6 month extension. No response has been received from the County on the continuance or discontinuance of the program. A decision needs to be made in order to budget for next year so that sufficient staff will be available to work on code issues within the City limits. Councilmember Kerley stated that he wanted to continue to help them out since it helps fund the department and he wants to hear from the county commission. Mayor Mayberry replied that he would be in*

favor of extending it until next year's budget, but the city is neglecting what it needs to do and will have to add to our staff to take care of code infractions. Councilmember Souza expressed concerns about the City doing the duties that are the County's responsibility. He is also less than content with the problems in codes enforcement to clean the city up because we can't do both with the current manpower. He would not support continuing the County inspections past June 30. Mayor Pro-Tem Harris also expressed her concerns with the existing problems in the city that are not being addressed because of the lack of staff. Councilmember Wyatt questioned the City Manager about how far behind we are in code enforcement. Mr. Rutherford replied that he has been asking for manpower for 15 months because it will take 1 or 2 people to do it. Any permits sold through June 30 will have to be continued until the project is complete or transfer the money to the County. Mayor Pro-Tem Harris suggested 30-60 days to get an answer from the County.

**A motion was made by Council Member Danny Wyatt, seconded by Council Member Jesse Kerley, that the County building inspection continue through June 30 and the City Manager be requested to provide an analysis of the cost required to add staff for a potential subsidy from the County, if we continue to provide the service to the County. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Council Member Pete Souza, Council Member Jesse Kerley, Mayor James Mayberry, Mayor Pro-tem Pamala Harris and Council Member Danny Wyatt

**b. Discussion and action on City of Crossville Team Championship**

*A vote was held at the December Council meeting regarding sponsorship of the 2015 Team Championship. This failed to pass. Some private sponsorship money in the amount of \$5,000.00 has since been secured. The total cost of the sponsorship is approximately \$10,000. Because of these donations, the Council was asked to re-consider continuing with this July event.*

**A motion was made by Council Member Jesse Kerley, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Pamala Harris, that action taken earlier on the 2015 Team Championship be reconsidered and the amount of \$5,000 be approved to match the private donations. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Council Member Jesse Kerley, Mayor James Mayberry, Mayor Pro-tem Pamala Harris and Council Member Danny Wyatt

**Abstain:** 1 - Council Member Pete Souza

**c. Discussion and action on interchange lighting refund**

*In 2003, the City entered into an agreement with TDOT for the construction of interchange lighting on the northeast quadrant of I-40 and Hwy. 127. The City agreed to pay 50% of the costs. A deposit of \$50,000 was made to cover 50% of the estimated costs. In 2005, the project was bid and the City was requested to deposit an additional \$35,138, which was done. In April 2008, the State requested an additional \$110,272.52 to cover costs. This request was challenged by the City Clerk and the State requested to review the charges and send a detail of the costs charged for one light pole that was awarded at a cost of \$154,796.32. Following their review, they discovered that there were costs charged to the account that should not have been and, eventually, revised the final costs which resulted in a credit due to the City of \$19,157.47. The City Clerk requested that the money be refunded to the City. Because it was a wire transfer, the City Clerk was unaware that the State refunded \$87,933.69 in 2008 for this project instead of \$19,157.47. A letter was just received from the State requesting that the City pay the difference of \$68,610.74 back to the*