

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

June 8, 2015

The Mayor and Council of the City of Maysville held a Special Called Meeting on Monday, June 8, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at 4 Homer Street.

Present were: Mayor Richard Presley, Councilmember's Kathy Bush, Junior Hardy, Charlie Howington, Scott Harper, City Administrator/City Clerk Barbara Thomas.

Mayor Presley opened the meeting with questions and comments from the Council regarding the Fire Protection for Banks County side of Maysville and Mutual Aid Agreement with the Maysville Fire Department and Banks County Board of Commissioners.

Fire Chief James Lyles and Fire Board member Hubert Blalock was present.

The Mayor stated that the Council has asked for the meeting to get some negotiation going with the Maysville Fire Board to render Automatic Aid Fire Protection to the citizens of Maysville.

Chief James Lyles approached the bench for questions from the Mayor and Council. Lyles stated that Mutual Aid was already setup to respond to the Banks County side. Automatic Aid can be setup with negotiations between Banks County Board of Commissioners and Maysville Fire Department.

Lyles stated that they cannot go into another jurisdiction without being notified. Lyles refused to carry two pagers, one for Jackson County fire calls and the other for Banks County fire calls.

Lyles stated that they do not go by the Fire Department bylaws. Mayor Presley read section 1 in the requirements of the Maysville Fire Board bylaws which stated that a Fire Chief is elected every three years and is removed only by the Maysville Fire Board Directors. Lyles stated that he answers to the Jackson County Board of Commissioners.

Councilmember Junior Hardy made a comment that the name of the fire department should be changed to Jackson County Fire Department in lieu of Maysville Fire Department.

Councilmember Charlie Howington wanted clarification that Maysville is already setup with Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid can be setup with Banks County. Councilmember Charlie Howington asked Chief Cochran to explain to Council how the Maysville Police Department responds to Jackson and Banks County 911 calls. Chief Cochran stated that all calls go through Jackson County 911 System and dispatched out to the Maysville Police Department. Depending on where the call is, Jackson & Banks County would assist with Automatic Aid.

There will be a meeting at the Maysville Fire Department on Tuesday, June 9, at 7:15.

Councilmember Kathy Bush asked Mr. Lyles for a copy of the minutes from the last election that was held for electing the Fire Chief for the Maysville Fire District.

Mayor Presley asked a member of the Plainview Fire Department, Craig Sewell if they went into Hall County did they charge for the service, and the answer was no, there is no charge. Mr. Sewell described

the difference between Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid. Mutual Aid is when another county contacts you for help. Automatic Aid is when the closest Fire Department responds to the fire first.

Mayor Presley stated that another meeting will be setup later with the City Attorney present.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Barbara Thomas

July 13, 2015

Certified by:

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