

The Old McKendree Board of Trustees held a special meeting at 9 a.m. May 19, 2007 in New McKendree's Cox Hall. Jack Byrd presided with the following members in attendance: Terri Tomlin, Marybelle Mueller, Walter Joe Ford, Alice Lewis, Weldon Macke, David Myers, David Norbury, Beverly Piepenbrok, John Rice, Betty Henry, Brad and Beth Biri.

Rev. Norbury gave the opening prayer.

The minutes and treasurer's report were deferred until the July meeting. Jack reported that the roof on the William Williams cabin had been replaced. He also announced receiving a \$1,000 donation from Central Methodist University.

Jack asked Marybelle to explain the upcoming zoning hearing to be held on Monday evening at Jackson City Hall concerning the zoning of the Old McKendree property in connection with the new I-55 interchange.

The two classifications are residential and commercial. Information that a residential designation would insure a "green zone" along all sides of the property preventing any commercial development in that area was given by Marybelle.

Weldon moved that the Old McKendree be designated as residential. John and Betty seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Jack encouraged as many members as possible to attend the meeting and Marybelle will serve as spokesperson for the Board.

Weldon reported on the proposals for a road connecting U S Highway 61 and the East Main Street extension. Maps were shown and discussed as to the impact on Old McKendree. Weldon has been in contact with the SEMO foundation and they are supportive of Old McKendree.

Walter Joe moved that the road be built on the east side of the Chapel property. Weldon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jack asked Weldon to be the spokesman for the Board when the time comes for a decision to be made about the location of the road.

Marybelle moved that the Board request the Old McKendree Cemetery be included on the Jackson city limits. Alice seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. This would provide police protection in case of a need.

Jack brought up the necessity of purchasing a new lawn tractor. The present one was purchased in 1996. Brad presented bids on 3 different ones. After discussion David Myers moved that the Hustler zero turn mower be purchased from Sappington at a cost of \$7444. Betty seconded the motion and it passed.

Jack reported a very large tree in the cemetery is dead and needs to be removed by professionals. Lynn Cotner has gotten a bid of \$ 2000 thus far. Weldon moved that Lynn get two more bids if possible and decide on the best one and have the tree removed. Alice seconded the motion and it passed.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be July 14, 2007 at 9 a.m. in New McKendree's Cox Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Poe Henry, secretary