

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY,
ARKANSAS, HELD JULY 06, 2010

The Board of Directors of the City of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, met in regular session at the City of Siloam Springs Administration Building, July 06, 2010.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Allen.

Roll Call:

Wasson, Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles, Long – Aye.

City Administrator David Cameron, City Clerk Peggy Woody, City Attorney Jay Williams, Police Chief Joe Garrett – Present.

Opening prayer was led by Turner.

Mayor Allen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A copy of the June 15, 2010, minutes of the regular meeting had previously been given to each Director. A motion was made by Long and seconded by Turner that the minutes of the June 15, 2010, meeting be approved. Mayor Allen called for a voice vote on the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

The next agenda item was the open hearing for citizens present. Ben Jones, 307 Meadowbrook Cr, suggested moving the Library to where the current Police station is located, and have the Court and Police move to the old Hospital when vacated. Then use the old Library building for the Parks or Museum. Don Cundiff, 601 West Tahlequah, stated he felt the economy was worsening and the City should wait for better economy to purchase a building for the Library.

The next agenda item was Ordinance No. 10-07. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Nation to place Ordinance No. 10-07, Rezone Development Permit 1502 Waukesha Rd. A-1 to C-2/ Seventh Adventist Church, on its third reading suspending the rules and reading title only.

Roll Call:

Wasson, Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles, Long – Aye.

No Nays.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

An ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 102-21 OF THE
SILOAM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE (CITY ZONING MAP);
REZONING FROM A-1 TO C-2 THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED
AS 1502 WAUKESHA ROAD

was read for its third reading.

A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Fuller to adopt Ordinance No. 10-07, Rezone Development Permit 1502 Waukesha Rd. A-1 to C-2/Seventh Adventist Church.

Roll Call:

Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles, Long, Wasson – Aye.

No Nays.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was review of bids. A motion was made by Nation and seconded by Fuller to approve the bid for Materials and Conductors/Electric Department to Techline for \$35,128.84, AECI

for \$88,072.47, Diversified for \$29,047.85, Graybar for \$41,201.32, UtiliCor \$73,312.00 for a total of \$272,255.68. These materials are for construction of the north transmission line.

Roll Call:

Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles, Long, Wasson, Smiley – Aye.

No Nay.

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Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was review of bids. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Nation to approve the bid to UtiliCor for the purchase of steel transmission poles in the amount of \$294,442.00. These poles are for the construction of the north transmission line.

Roll Call:

Nation, Wiles, Long, Wasson, Smiley, Fuller, Turner – Aye.

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was the Administrator's Report:

Cameron stated tonight is the first night we've had the cable transition from Chanel 4 to Chanel 245. There have been a few unforeseen difficulties working with Cox to get it all done. It is on 245 and they worked on it today or last week to make sure the channel was going to work. There are some issues with the boxes and they are getting all that worked out. If you have a friend or family member having difficulties, there is a number to contact Cox at 524-6400 or visit their local office or call City Hall and we can direct you to the right location as well. Please let Cox know. Cameron thanked everyone who worked on the fireworks show and display for the 4th of July. We will continue to work on it to be better. Cameron gave an update on the Library. Everything is still subject to this Board's approval. It's very similar to what he did on the Hospital land in that he goes out, signs a contract and says here is how much it is. That way we tie up, by contract, and staff goes out at this stage and the engineering staff and community development go out seeing if the Library or what size facility would even fit on that piece of property, how many parking spaces would there be so that we can actually report back to the Board what the potential uses for the property could be, etc. At the next Board meeting, he will be bringing back for your review with all those uses, one appraisal's been done that was not necessarily ours. It was appraised at \$380,000.00. We are having our own appraisal done which is subject in the contract that it has to have an appraisal and this Board's approval. We would survey it, and inspect the property. I want to be very clear. We discussed that this would give the Board an opportunity to hear the comments from the community as well. I think it's whether or not the City actually even needs the property or would use it for a Library. I don't think it was a foregone conclusion that it'll be a Library. I think that we were going to look at the feasibility of the use for a Library, but I appreciate the comments and feedback as to alternatives where it could be because I've heard that about the old Hospital quite a few times. We don't know exactly what that's going to be used for or when it'll be vacant. We are moving forward. I did sign a contract that would still come back to this Board again for approval and even if the Board doesn't like the price it can change it. But it puts us under contract so we can do our due diligence and someone else doesn't come back in once they know what you're willing to offer that can go for a lower price. That's where it's at, but nothing is set as to that's going to be the Library site. It's just something we're doing due diligence on and staff is looking at it. We'll have that for the next Board meeting.

The next agenda item was the Open Hearing for Directors:

Wiles stated he enjoyed that show and appreciates everybody who was involved.

Smiley also thanked everyone who had anything to do with the fireworks display. Her family enjoyed it, but the one thing that really impressed her was afterwards the way the flow of traffic went getting everybody out of the area.

Mayor Allen stated the Executive Session is not necessary tonight.

There being no other business to come before this Board, a motion was made by Long and seconded by Nation that this meeting be adjourned. A voice vote was called for on the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

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APPROVED:

David E. Allen, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Peggy Woody, City Clerk, MMC