

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE CITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY,  
ARKANSAS, HELD JULY 17, 2007

The Board of Directors of the City of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, met in regular session at the City of Siloam Springs Administration Building, July 17, 2007.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Van Poucke.

Attendance Roll Call:

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

Opening prayer was led by Long.

Mayor Van Poucke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A copy of the minutes of the July 03, 2007, regular meeting had previously been given to each director. A motion was made by Long and seconded by Fuller that the minutes of the July 03, 2007, meeting be approved. Mayor Van Poucke called for a voice vote on the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Mayor Van Poucke introduced July Toler, City Administrator's Assistant, who would be sitting in on the meeting for the Administrator.

The next agenda item was the open hearing for citizens present. There being none, Mayor Van Poucke continued with the agenda.

The next agenda item was Ordinance No. 07-21. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Turner to place Ordinance No. 07-21, Rezone Development Permit C-1 to P-D 223 North Wright/D.R.C. Investment Group, on its second reading suspending the rules and reading title only. Long requested David Williams, Community Development Director, give an explanation of the P-D zoning district.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

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 C-1 TO P-D)  
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 223 NORTH  
WRIGHT STREET.

was read for its second reading.

The next agenda item was approval of surplus property. A motion was made by Nation and seconded by Fuller to approve four used tornado sirens as surplus property.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was appointment to boards and commissions. A motion was made by Nation and seconded by Long to appoint Claud Todd to fill Position 8 on the Planning Commission which will expire 12-31-07. This is due to the resignation of Todd Knowlton.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was the Administrator's Report:

July Toler, City Administrator's Assistant, gave the following report for David Cameron. She thanked everyone for coming out for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities at the Airport. She also thanked all the departments and staff that made this a success. Toler gave an update on the detention basin for Lyndale Estates stating the south basin is completed. It is ready to take on water. They will begin construction on the north basin's outlet structure tomorrow. Weather permitting, it should be finished in two weeks. Toler gave an update on several street projects. North Hico has most of the waterlines complete. They are finishing a few waterline crossings this week and will start sewer installation next week. Country Club Rd construction began last week with clearing and grubbing some of the trees required to be removed. They are starting the laying of sewer mains on the north end of this project. Progress Ave. contractor is currently setting the string line for the curb and gutter. They should have this complete in about three weeks. This project should be complete this fall. Main Street and Ravenwood Intersection pre-construction meeting will be tomorrow. Construction will begin in a couple of weeks. Staff will send notices to those involved in this area and to the newspaper. Main Street Overlay bid opening is July 24<sup>th</sup>. It will be a couple of weeks before we have a schedule, but this street will not be shut down completely during this project. All the rain in recent weeks has slowed some projects, but we continue to push to get them completed. The state has completed the installation of traffic signals at Hwy. 43 and Lincoln Street and also Hwy. 43 and Hwy. 59. Traffic at both intersections has improved greatly. We have received questions about the lack of protected left-turn arrow signals. The recent traffic counts do not indicate enough volume to require them at this time. The City has made some timing changes to better control traffic flow and hopefully will alleviate concerns.

The next agenda item was the Open Hearing for Directors:

Turner requested residents clean up their yards now that we have a break in the weather.

Fuller requested we negotiate the property at 101 West Ashley and get it for a better price.

Wiles stated he had previously requested information on 101 West Ashley. Wiles requested the Board allow this to be placed on the agenda for discussion. A motion was made by Wiles and seconded by Long to place discussion of purchase of property located at 101 West Ashley on the agenda. Mayor Van Poucke called for a voice vote, and it was approved unanimously. Wiles stated he was trying to look ahead for downtown parking and possible expansion of office space. This would be of great benefit for the City with this property so close to City Hall. The listing price is \$129,000, but was appraised at \$115,000. A motion was made by Wiles and seconded by Long to have the Mayor negotiate for purchase of 101 West Ashley, and bring this back at the next meeting.

Roll Call:

Nation, Wiles, Long, Smiley – Aye.

Turner, Wasson, Fuller – Nay.

Four Ayes. Three Nays. Motion Carried.

Mayor Van Poucke called for an Executive Session for personnel matters. Mayor Van Poucke called the meeting back to order. Mayor Van Poucke stated no action was taken in the Executive Session.

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

APPROVED:

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

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M. L. Van Poucke, Jr., Mayor

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Peggy Woody, City Clerk, MMC