

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY,
ARKANSAS, HELD AUGUST 19, 2008

The Board of Directors of the City of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, met in regular session at the City of Siloam Springs Administration Building, August 19, 2008.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Van Poucke.

Attendance Roll Call:

Wasson, Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles - - Present.

Long - - Absent.

Mayor M. L. Van Poucke, Jr., City Administrator David Cameron, City Clerk Peggy Woody, City Attorney Jay Williams, Police Chief Joe Garrett - - Present.

Opening prayer was led by Wiles.

Mayor Van Poucke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A copy of the minutes of the August 05, 2008, regular meeting had previously been given to each director. A motion was made by Fuller and seconded by Smiley that the minutes of the August 05, 2008, meeting be approved. Mayor Van Poucke called for a voice vote on the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

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. 08-10. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Nation to place Ordinance No. 08-10, Authorize Participation in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Mobility Authority, on its third and final reading suspending the rules and reading title only.

Roll Call:

Wasson, Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

An ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS'
PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL
MOBILITY AUTHORITY; AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH
PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF THE NORTHWEST
ARKANSAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY FOR THAT PURPOSE.

was read for its third and final reading.

A motion was made by Nation and seconded by Smiley to adopt Ordinance No. 08-10, Authorize Participation in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Mobility Authority.

Roll Call:

Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles, Wasson - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Ordinance No. 08-12. A motion was made by Fuller and seconded by Smiley to place Ordinance No. 08-12, Amend Municipal Code for Keeping Rabbits, on its second reading suspending the rules and reading title only.

Roll Call:

Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles, Wasson, Smiley - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

An ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10-7 OF
THE SILOAM SPRINGS CODE WITH RESPECT TO
THE KEEPING OF RABBITS IN THE CITY.

was read for its second reading.

The next agenda item was Resolution No. 31-08. A motion was made by Fuller and seconded by Smiley to adopt Resolution No. 31-08, Approve Airport Grant for PAPI System. This will require the City to pay \$1,542.00 of the 80/20 grant. David Cameron, City Administrator, reported that he will be authorizing the second PAPI for the other runway for \$7,700.00. We did not get a grant for that runway.

Roll Call:

Turner, Nation, Wiles, Wasson, Smiley, Fuller - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Review of Bids. A motion was made by Nation and seconded by Wasson to approve the bid to Scott Construction Equipment Company for \$94,424.00 for a dozer.

Roll Call:

Nation, Wiles, Wasson, Smiley, Fuller, Turner - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Review of Bids. A motion was made by Nation and seconded by Smiley to approve a partial bid to Pinkley Sales Company for \$35,292.00 and a partial bid to Traffic & Lighting Systems, LLC For \$2,330.00 for traffic signal equipment at the intersection of East Main and Lincoln Street.

Roll Call:

Wiles, Wasson, Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Approval of Contract. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Nation to approve the contract to Civil Engineering, Inc., not to exceed \$38,100.00 for engineering the proposed high school street extension. David Cameron, City Administrator, stated that he did receive the support of the Siloam Springs Riding Club.

Roll Call:

Wasson, Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was the Administrator's Report:

David Cameron, City Administrator, requested Resolution No. 32-08, Negotiate Development Agreement and Definitive Agreement and Obtain Leases for Transfer of Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital to Community Health Systems, be added to the agenda. Mayor Van Poucke asked for roll call to add this to the agenda.

Roll Call to put on agenda:

Smiley, Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles, Wasson - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Wiles and seconded by Turner to adopt Resolution No. 32-08, Negotiate Development Agreement and Definitive Agreement and Obtain Leases for Transfer of Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital to Community Health Systems.

The Board of Directors was given a resolution signed by the Hospital Board of Governors recommending that the City Board proceed with contracting for sale of assets and lease of real estate of Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital to Community Health Systems. Dr. Dale Clemens and Cindy Kugel, RN, were in the group who traveled to visit a hospital run by Community Health Systems. They both spoke highly of what they had seen. They stated that they received good answers to difficult questions asked during that trip. They were told that the new hospital was built by Community Health Systems in 2 and ½ years rather than the 5 years expected. They also stated that the staff said Community Health Systems did what they said they would. They were very impressed with what they saw. David Cameron, City Administrator, will sign the Term Sheet if Resolution No. 32-08 is approved.

Roll Call:

Fuller, Turner, Nation, Wiles, Wasson, Smiley - - Aye.

No Nay.

Six Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

Cameron reported the repair will begin on the Low-Water Bridge on Thursday, weather permitting, and draining of the creek will begin on Wednesday morning. The bridge has been removed at North Carl and construction on the new box culvert has begun. The street is completely closed between Garland and Amanda. Paving at the Oak Hill Cemetery has been completed. Cameron expressed appreciation to the Cemetery Association for their contribution of funds to this project.

The next agenda item was the Open Hearing for Directors:

Fuller expressed his regret that KUOA Radio Station has been sold and moved out of Siloam Springs. It was here for many years.

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

(SEAL)
ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Peggy Woody, City Clerk, MMC

M. L. Van Poucke, Jr., Mayor