

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY,
ARKANSAS, HELD NOVEMBER 06, 2007

The Board of Directors of the City of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, met in regular session at the City of Siloam Springs Administration Building, November 06, 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 October 16, 2007, regular meeting had previously been given to each director. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Nation that the minutes of the October 16, 2007, 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. 07-33. A motion was made by Nation and seconded by Fuller to place Ordinance No. 07-33, Amend Municipal Code for Water Meter Fees, on its second reading suspending the rules and reading title only.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

An ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE REVISING WATER METER
FEES; AMENDING SUBSECTION 98-145(B) OF
THE MUNICIPAL CODE.

was read for its second reading.

The next agenda item was Ordinance No. 07-35. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Nation to place Ordinance No. 07-35, Amend Legal Description of Ordinance No. 04-37, 605 South Mt. Olive, on its second and third readings suspending the rules and reading title only.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

An ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORD. NO. 04-37;
CORRECTING APPLICANT'S ERROR IN
LEGAL DESCRIPTION.

was read for its second and third readings.

A motion was made by Fuller and seconded by Wiles to adopt Ordinance No. 07-35, Amend Legal Description of Ordinance No. 04-37, 605 South Mt. Olive.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Ordinance No. 07-36. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Nation to place Ordinance No. 07-36, Amend Electric Code/Electric Department, on its first reading suspending the rules and reading title only. Art Farine, Electric Director, summarized the advantages of these changes.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

An ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING REGULATIONS FOR
CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC
WIRING AND SYSTEMS; AMENDING SECTIONS 18-81, 18-83,
18-84, 18-85, 18-87, AND 18-88; AND CREATING
SECTION 18-89 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE;
FINDING AN EMERGENCY.

was read for its first reading.

The next agenda item was Resolution No. 58-07. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Wiles to adopt Resolution No. 58-07, Significant Development Permit 1100 Block Progress Ave/Brown Cow Properties, LLC. Ron Homeyer, Civil Engineering, stated they have obtained the temporary access easement. Cameron stated the contractor has until May 2008 to complete Progress Ave. per the State.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Resolution No. 59-07. A motion was made by Fuller and seconded by Nation to adopt Resolution No. 59-07, Significant Development Permit 1105 Cheri Whitlock Dr/Elizabeth Richardson Center, Inc. David Williams, Community Development Director, stated the six foot opaque screen will be constructed.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Resolution No. 60-07. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Fuller to adopt Resolution No. 60-07, Approve Land Exchange/Simmons Foods, Inc.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Resolution No 61-07. A motion was made by Turner and seconded by Wasson to adopt Resolution No. 61-07, Approve By-Laws of Community Improvement Fund. Cameron clarified what these changes entailed. Smiley questioned if the reporting of this Board could be changed to quarterly instead of yearly. Kathy Turner, 824 West Twin Springs, stated a financial report would be published once yearly. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Wiles to amend Resolution No. 61-07 to amend that a report by memo is sent each quarter by the president of the CIF to the Board of Directors instead of annually.

Roll Call: (Amendment)

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

Roll Call:

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

No Nay.

Seven Ayes. No Nays. Motion Carried.

The next agenda item was Resolution No. 62-07. A motion was made by Long and seconded by Nation to adopt Resolution No. 62-07, Additional Employee Benefit.

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:

Cameron stated the Mayor has signed an agreement for engineering services for the electric system improvements to expand the southwest substation with Trans-Tec Consulting, Inc. in the amount of \$17,000. The bid for the Twin Springs Fountain replacement will be opened on November 20th. Cameron reminded them that next week is the beginning of the budget process.

The next agenda item was the Open Hearing for Directors:

The Mayor congratulated the Siloam Springs Lady Panthers for their fourth State Championship in Volleyball, and how proud everyone is of them. Coach Cheek and the girls did a great job.

Smiley stated how great Main Street looks with the new overlay and also the crosswalks.

Long thanked the employees working on the crosswalks.

The Mayor called the meeting into recess for an executive session for personnel matters. The Mayor called the meeting back to order. Mayor Van Poucke stated no action was taken.

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

APPROVED:

M. L. Van Poucke, Jr., Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Peggy Woody, City Clerk, MMC