

**MINUTES  
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING  
SMITHS GROVE MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
MONDAY JUNE 25, 2007 7:00 P.M.**

All members were present: Mayor Watt, Commissioner Higginbotham and Commissioner Martin. Absent Commissioner Varner and Commissioner Pierce.

Mayor Watt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance  
Mayor Watt thanked everyone for being here.

Mayor Watt said that he would like everyone to know that Commissioner Pierce was not here because his Dad has clots in his legs and if this surgery does not work they might have to amputate his leg. He would like everyone to keep his family in their prayers.

Doc Grey had six bypass surgery, keep him in your prayers also.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of Regular Meeting (May 24, 2007)

Mayor Watt asked the Commission if there were any question with none.  
Minutes of the above-referenced motion was made by C. Higginbotham second  
By C. Martin to approve said minutes as written. A roll call was taken: Roll call:  
Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Martin Voting no: none

Minutes of Special Meeting (June 7, 2007)

Mayor Watt asked the Commission for questions with none, the clerk said she needed to correct the amount from \$93.00 to \$93.75. With that correction given, Mayor Watt asked the Commission for any further question with none. Minutes of the above-referenced motion was made by C. Martin. Second by C. Higgingbotham to approve said minutes. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Martin. Voting no: none.

**REPORTS**

Treasurer Report

Mayor Watt said he would like for the Commission to know the report will be different next week he had to close out a CD that National City beat everyone on the rate. Asked the Commission if they have any further questions with none a roll call was taken. Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Martin  
Voting no: none

Public Safety Health & Wealth

C. Higginbotham said he had met with Sharon Conway they had a meeting held here at the City Hall Sharon Conway gave the presentation went very well. He hopes the Mayor and the rest of the Commission will take some courses he feels it will benefit, in case our city had an emergency. The city needs to be prepared.

Police Report

Mayor Watt had read the report asked Chief Vance if he had anything to say. Chief Vance said he a week ago he had spoke with Bob Smith who lives in the new Sub-division. He is a retired FB agent He offered his services if the city every needed him. He would have to take classes which would total around \$1500.00. He already spoke with the DOJ and they would just grandfather him. Chief Vance would like for the Mayor to talk with him. The Mayor that would be fine if the Commission thinks that is good. The Commission was in agreement.

#### Cemetery Report

C. Martin said that the stumps are being removed out there. Chief Vance is going to get the inmates to go and get that cleaned up. He still has not had any complaints on the lawn care out at the cemetery. They are doing a great job out there.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Beautification

No Report

#### Christmas

#### Report

No Report

#### Annexation

Jimmy Cline said he hopes by the next meeting they will have a proposal to give to the Mayor and Commission. They will be having a meeting next to go over everything.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Final Reading of Ordinance # 07-01 230.20 Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 07/08. Mayor Watt moves to accept the final reading of Ordinance # 07-01230.20 Adopting the Annual Budget for the fiscal year 07/08. C. Higginbotham seconds. Mayor Watt asked the Commission if there were any questions with none. A roll call was taken. Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt. Voting no: C. Martin.

#### Hiring Cemetery Assistant

Mayor Watt said for those of you that don't know the city had to let Ms. Carrie Lee go The city hated to do that. The city had only received one application and it was David Stiffy, he wants to do this. David is aware of his duties and the pay. Commissioner Varner walked in. Mayor Watt asked the Commission if they have any questions with none. C. Varner moves to accept David Stiffy as they cemetery assistant. C. Higginbotham seconds. With no further questions. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt, C. Martin.

#### Parking on Sidewalks

C. Martin said he had 2 complaints people parking on Rumsey. The city has an ordinance and the city should start enforcing this. Mayor Watt said he had been waiting after July and he was going to have C. Vance give out citations.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ralph Anderson (Anderson Engineering)

Mayor Watt said he is calling a recess that those that want to leave can this going to take awhile. Adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Watt reconvened the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Ralph had presented the plans to the Mayor and the Commission. Ralph said that he had to make a couple of decisions it would be the best to make a motion to formalize these changes. We have 14 different locations or streets. 2007 TEA-21 the locations and footage is on the plans he has given. The total will be 12,522 L.F. Ralph is hoping that more can be added as well, he thinks the bids will come in low so on the last page it shows the streets and footage that can be added, which is a total of 10,333 L.F.

Ralph said that the changes would be Vincent to Main Street 700 ft extra there. The other change would be Kentucky 101 to 6<sup>th</sup> far opposite way into the town. The guidelines for that are prevailing wage because that is federal hwy. \$1.00 every other ft. So that should be eliminated because that is federal hwy.

He proposes that this should extend from Highland to Lawson and stops at Ridgecrest. And also Webb Ave we can add another 200ft there. Ralph spoke with Shane Tucker and there can be 2 changes, so we will do one now and the other later.

Mayor Watt asked the Commission if they had any questions before a motion is made. The Mayor and Commission were all in agreement with the changes.

Commissioner Martin makes the motion to accept the plans with changes Commissioner Varner seconds. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt, C and C. Martin. Voting no: none.

Ralph said that these would be 4ft sidewalks these would have to flush with the ground, no curbs. Mayor Watt asked in the event that the bid comes in lower can there be changes at that time. Ralph said yes it should not be a problem. Ralph said that if you look on the back of the sheet I gave to all of you it has all the streets that if we have extra we could try to get those streets done. Ralph said with all these changes he will turn in the plans to the state and then he will advertise. Mayor Watt asked the clerk does a motion need to be in place. The clerk responded yes. Commissioner Higginbotham makes a motion for approval for Anderson Engineering to advertise for the sidewalk project. Commissioner Varner seconds. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, C. Varner, Mayor Watt and C. Martin. Voting no: none

Ralph had thanked the Mayor and Commission and is hoping the project should be completed soon.

Mayor Watt said with no further discussion the meeting is adjourned at approximately at 8:15 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
LARRY STEVE WATT, MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
DONNA L LOONEY CITY CLERK

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes were prepared by City Clerk Donna L Looney