

MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
SMITHS GROVE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
OCTOBER 22, 2007 7:00 P.M.

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

There was a quorum.
Also present City Attorney Wes Milliken.

Mayor Watt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Watt thanked everyone for being there. Said it is always a pleasure to see Burton with Daily news thanked him and his lovely wife as well.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of Regular Meeting (September 24, 2007)

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

Minutes of Special Meeting (October 10, 2007)

Mayor Watt asked the Commission for any questions with none. Minutes of the above-referenced motion was made by C. Higginbotham second by C. Pierce to approve said minutes. A roll call was taken. Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none

Minutes of Special Meeting (October 12, 2007)

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

REPORTS

Treasurer

Report-

Mayor Watt asked for any questions with none, a motion was made by C. Pierce to accept the September 07 Treasurer Report second by C. Higginbotham. A roll call was taken. Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

Street Report-

C. Pierce said he had a complaint on limbs down he still has to get that taken care of. Also several on the sidewalks he would like everyone to address their complaints or concern to Ralph Anderson the City's Engineer.

Several concerned citizens had asked Ralph questions on the sidewalk project. Ralph had explained the best of his ability he will try to get these concerns taken care before the project is completed. Mayor Watt thanked everyone for there concerns and would like to assure everyone that these issues will get resolved.

Police Report

Mayor Watt read the police report. Asked C. Vance if he had anything he would like to address. C. Vance said he had 1 burglary that case had been solved the Barren County helped out on that one. Also the 31 W. Corridor Blitz he stopped 58 motorists 4 warnings total citations issued 54.

Cemetery Report

Martha Watt read the Cemetery Quarterly Financial Report.

Funds carried forward as of July 1,2007 \$ 1542.22

Total funds avail \$ 4816.96 Certificates total \$ 67,147.00 Expenses \$ 4983.81

Public Safety, Health & Welfare Report

Commissioner Higginbotham said the flu shots will be here at the City Hall on Nov. 8th hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. He hopes there will be a good turn out. Last year it was not a good turn out but they were not able to get up until late, and at that time everyone had already had their shots.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beautification

Sherry Higginbotham said the ladies had all got together and got the fall decorating down. She would like to thank Bert & Terry for getting the straw and everyone else's support. She asked the Mayor when was the Christmas Tree Lighting? The Mayor said November 28th it follows on the Wednesday before the parade.

Annexation

Jim Adams said that he had received everything he needed he hopes he will have sectioned 1 completed by next meeting to give.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading Ordinance # 2007.2 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 130 hours of Curfew. Commissioner Pierce makes a motion to accept Ordinance # 2007.2 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 130 hours of curfew. Commissioner Higginbotham seconds. Mayor Watt asked for further questions with none. A roll call was taken. Roll call. Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

Second Reading Ordinance # 07-01-630.00 An Ordinance Adopting Cemetery Open and Closed for business. Commissioner Higginbotham makes a motion to approve Ordinance # 07-01-630.00 An Ordinance Adopting Cemetery Open and Closed for Business. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none. Mayor Watt said they would have to get 4 signs to put out coming into the entrances, need to start looking at some prices.

NEW BUSINESS

Health Insurance

Chief Vance explained to the Mayor and Commission that the insurance he has is not a good plan at all. That if the city went with a group plan it is better insurance and Donna is going to need insurance later as well. The one plan he is on now the city pays about \$469.00 a month if the city would go on a group plan it will be through the state \$1002.40 if we were to go with Anthem Blue Cross it will be \$ 888.97 a month. That is also a better insurance. Commissioner Higginbotham said that Anthem looks like a better insurance. Another option his C. Vance could upgrade his plan for only \$11.00 more. Mayor Watt said that Donna chose to waive the insurance but the next full time employee the city will have to pay their insurance. Commissioner Pierce said that Anthem looks like it is a better insurance as well. Commissioner Higginbotham makes a motion to go with a group plan and Anthem Group Plan is the best plan, Commissioner Pierce seconds. Mayor Watt asked for any discussion with none. A roll call was taken: Roll call: Voting yes: C. Higginbotham, Mayor Watt and C. Pierce. Voting no: none.

APPROVED: _____
LARRY STEVE WATT, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
DONNA L LOONEY CITY CLERK

DATE: _____

Minutes were prepared by City Clerk, Donna L Looney