

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Boardroom

January 16th, 2003

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ann Kelly, *Ward 1*
Don Hager, *Ward 2*
Joe Phelps, *Ward 3*
Dick Rudolph, *Ward 5*
James Calhoun, *Director at Large*
Ann Sanders, *Vice Mayor, Ward 4*
C. T. Hollingshead, *Mayor*

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jim Newsom, *Press*
Rendi Currey, *City Clerk*
Jimmy Bolt, *City Engineer*
Nancy Anderson, *Treasurer*
(*See Attached Sheet*)

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Director Mayor Hollingshead

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Calhoun made the motion, seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to approve the January 2nd, 2003 minutes as presented. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The vote was as follows:**

Ann Kelly	“Aye”	Don Hager	“Aye”
Joe Phelps	“Aye”	Dick Rudolph	“Aye”
James Calhoun	“Aye”	Vice Mayor Sanders	“Aye”
Mayor Hollingshead	“Aye”		

2002 BUDGET AMENDMENT ORDINANCE

Mrs. Anderson was present to answer any questions the Board may have concerning the amending budget ordinance with the different unknowns of twenty two funds. Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Calhoun to have the first reading of the 2002 Budget Amendment Ordinance. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.** The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the first reading of the ordinance in its entirety.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 0-01-14 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA FOR THE TWELVE (12) MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2002 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2002 SPECIFICALLY AMENDED IS SECTION 2, WHICH APPROPRIATES THE FUND EXPENDITURES FOR EACH DEPARTMENT, TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Calhoun to have the second reading of the 2002 Budget Amendment Ordinance title only. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.** The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the second reading of the ordinance title only.

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Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Calhoun to have the third reading of the 2002 Budget Amendment Ordinance title only. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.** The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the ordinance title only.

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Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to approve the amending ordinance. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Calhoun to adopt the emergency clause. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH MCCLELLAND ENGINEERS (STREETSCAPE)

Ms. Coplen explained to the Board the difference between the work orders that had been approved earlier and the most recent work orders. The most recent cuts the jobs of Main Street and Clay Street to one contract and this would be in the city's favor to only work with one contractor on two projects. Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Rudolph to approve the most recent work order. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE AIRPORT COMMITTEE ON THE SECURITY PROJECT BIDS

Mike Stengel from Garver Engineers' was on hand to discuss the security project for the airport. Bids were solicited and ads were run in the *Daily Siftings Herald* and opened on December 13, 2002. The bids were as follows:

Bidder	Amount of Bid
Rick McGinty Co. Inc.	\$91,982.50
McV Inc.	\$109,055.00

Rick McGinty Co. Inc. was the apparent low bidder. In order to comply with budget restraints city staff negotiated change order 1 to decrease the original bid \$6,700.00 bringing the bid down to \$85,282.50. Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to accept the bid from Rick McGinty Co. Inc. for the Airport Security Project. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX COMMITTEE

David Thigpen, Tim Knight, and Rick Brumley represented the Youth Sports Complex Committee. Mr. Thigpen requested permission from the Board to pursue the community and surrounding areas

for contributions, field sponsorships, and donations of any kind in the name of the City of Arkadelphia. Director Kelly made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to give the committee permission to pursue contributions. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

CONSIDERATION OF BID RESULTS FOR THE ASPHALT ROLLER (STREET DEPARTMENT)

Bids were solicited and ads were run in the *Daily Siftings Herald* to lease to own an asphalt roller for the Street Department. The deadline to submit bids was January 13, 2003 at 3:00 p.m. at which time bids were opened. The only bid received was from J.A. Riggs Tractor Co. for \$1,063.20 per month (plus sales tax) for a two year term, at the end of the lease there is a purchase option for \$1.00. Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to accept the bid for the asphalt roller from J.A. Riggs Tractor Co. and authorize the City Manager to execute the lease agreement. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

RECOMMENDATION FOR POLICE CAR

Ms. Coplen reported that the city had been awarded the bid on the county car in the amount of \$15,000. **No action needed.**

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Ms. Coplen reported she had attended the West Central Solid Waste District meeting yesterday and there was a large crowd of Gurdon citizens. This was in direct relation to the informational meeting held earlier in the week hosted by the City of Arkadelphia. International Paper is selling a lot of land in south Arkansas due to the closing of the Camden, Arkansas mill. However, due to the restructuring of the corporation International Paper would not be able to discuss the selling of the proposed land near Gurdon on Lockie Road until March of this year. She did appreciate all the support from the Board on this issue.
- Dewayne Pratt is working with Dorinda Suitor on an EDA Grant for the Water Plant Filter Project Improvements. The facility plan has been given to the Board for study. The grant that the city will be applying for will be an EDA Grant for 1.5 million dollars with the project estimated at 2.5 million dollars.
- She has received a letter from Dan Flowers extending the second TEA 21 grant money.
- A Board retreat will be January 30th at the Iron Mountain Lodge meeting room from 2p.m. – 8p.m.
- Doug Nelson brought her the Clark County events for the Martin Luther King celebrations and they are included in the board packets.
- She also reported that the supervisors were working on their year end reports and she would give her state of the city address in February.
- She reported that for about three months there had been a private committee working on a plan for a small pox inoculation for the county.
- Ms. Coplen praised the city employees for all the work that they are doing.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Ann Kelly- She praised Glen Beedle for getting selected for the LeadAR Program.

Don Hager- He reported that he had been to several fires lately and he praised the Fire Department for their outstanding ability to do their job.

Dick Rudolph- He thanked Ms. Coplen for her efforts of going through EDA for the grant

applications on the water treatment filter improvement project. He also reminded everyone to take note of Caddo Street and hopes that there will be similar projects in the future. He asked Ms. Coplen if she had done anything about the cameras for the police cars. She stated that they were waiting for a report from Hot Springs on their new equipment. He is also concerned with the rise in unemployment in the area and would like a meeting with the CCIC to plan a strategy.

James Calhoun- He was very happy to see the clean up on 10th Street where the recent fire destroyed the building and hopes there will be a new building going up soon. He also announced a retirement reception for the Wilson's on Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Wilson Piano location. They have been in business since 1961 and he would like all to join in honoring the Wilson's.

Ann Sanders- She praised Don Hager for keeping up with the Firemen and fires recently. She is concerned with the shortage of employees at the Fire Department. She thinks that the number of employees at the Fire Department should be increased by four to bring the department to its full capacity. She also expressed her appreciation over the work being done on Caddo Street.

C.T. Hollingshead-He reported that the new liaisons for the following committees had been assigned. They are as follows: Housing Authority – Ann Kelly. Water and Sewer Committee and Fire Department – Don Hager. Parks and Recreation – Joe Phelps. Public Works – Dick Rudolph. Police Department – James Calhoun. Ann Sanders – serve as the Vice Mayor and will be available for all committees as needed. He also invited the press to the retreat at Iron Mountain Marina on January 30th from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion, seconded by Director Kelly to adjourn. **The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.**

C. T. Hollingshead, Mayor

Rendi Currey, City Clerk

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Attached List
Mike Griffin
Mike Stengel
Connie Nelson
Kenny Myers
Tim Knight
David Thigpen
Kathy Phelps
Rick Brumley