

**REGULAR CALLED
MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Boardroom

February 5th, 2004

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

OTHERS 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*

Barbara Coplen, *City Manager*
Rendi Currey, *City Clerk*
Nancy Anderson, *City Treasurer*
Wendy Plyler, *Press*
Jimmy Bolt, *Public Works Director*

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Director Calhoun

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Hager made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to approve the January 15th 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”		

GRANT GARRETT SETTLEMENT

Ed McCorkle, City Attorney, was present to give an update on the Grant Garrett lawsuit. It is his recommendation that the City of Arkadelphia settle the matter with Garrett Excavating for the payment of \$21,377.47 as a complete and final settlement of all outstanding issues between the parties to this lawsuit. After a brief discussion Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to accept the recommendation from the city attorney. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

CITY ATTORNEY UPDATES ON LAND PURCHASES

Mr. McCorkle updated the Board on the Lambert property. This piece of property must be obtained to place a sewer line to correct a problem at 4th and Caddo Streets. It is the opinion of the city attorney to proceed with the condemnation on the property located at 4th and Caddo to obtain the necessary right-of-way to build a sewer pump station. After a brief discussion Director Rudolph made a motion seconded by Director Kelly to accept the recommendation of the city attorney. **The motion unanimously passed on a roll call vote.**

The next piece of property discussed was the Abraham property located on the north end of the airport. This property needs to be obtained by the city for clearing due to FAA regulations. Mr. McCorkle suggested waiting for the landowners to get their own appraisal. After a brief discussion Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders for the City Manager and the Public Works Director to proceed with the appraisal. **The motion passed on a roll call vote. The vote is as follows:**

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

***Director Hager asked the Mayor if he could be excused from the vote due to business dealings with the individual.**

SUSPEND THE RULES

Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Director Hager to suspend the rules and discuss airport zoning regulations. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.** Director Rudolph quoted state statute 14-363-202 which states the airport has jurisdiction of land up to five miles. Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders for there to be a study done on this matter. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

2003 AMENDING BUDGET ORDINANCE

Treasurer, Nancy Anderson stated that historically the city passes an amending budget ordinance to amend the prior year's budget. This is necessary for legal and auditing purposes. Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to have the first reading of the Amending Budget Ordinance. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

The Mayor called for the clerk to read the ordinance in its entirety.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 0-02-07 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA FOR THE TWELVE (12) MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2003 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003 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 Rudolph to have the second reading of the Amending Budget 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 Hager to have the third reading of the Amending Budget 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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Director Hager made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to adopt the ordinance. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

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

CONSIDER WATER COMMITTEE VACANCY

An ad was run in the *Daily Siftings Herald* for a vacancy on the water committee. Karen Wieman was the only applicant. Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Rudolph to appoint Ms. Wieman to the Water and Sewer Committee. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

JAKE BRAKE ORDINANCE

Director Hager stated that at a prior meeting it was the consensus of the Board to request the city attorney to prepare an ordinance prohibiting the practice of "jake braking". The ordinance was prepared and was placed in the Board's packet for approval. After a brief discussion Director Hager made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to have the first reading of the ordinance. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

The Mayor called for the clerk to read the Jake Brake Ordinance in its entirety:

AN ORDINANCE PREVENTING LOUD AND UNNECESSARY NOISE AND PROHIBITING THE PRACTICE KNOWN AS "JAKE BRAKING" (MOTOR BREAKING), PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Hager to place the ordinance on its second reading title only in the February 19th meeting. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

DISCUSSION OF SPONSORSHIP BANNERS RECREATION CENTER

Rick Brumley was on hand to present the ideas from the Parks and Recreation Committee's discussion on sponsorship banners for the new Recreation Center. After a brief discussion of the size and prices Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to approve the selling of banners for the Recreation Center. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

DISCUSSION OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND AQUATIC PARK FEES

Karen Johnson, Aquatic Park Manager present to the Board for approval the rack card and the prices for the 2004 season. After a brief discussion Director Calhoun made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to approve the fees for the 2004 season. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Ms. Coplen reported there are regular maintenance repairs being made to the pool and there are staff members out there every day.

- The city received a letter stating it was recommended by the Arkansas Parks and Tourism Committee to receive matching grant monies in the amount of \$125,000 as soon as funds are available from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.
- There will be two positions on the Water and Sewer Committee becoming vacant soon and those ads will be running in the local paper.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business to discuss, Director Kelly made a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to adjourn. **The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.**

C. T. Hollingshead, Mayor

Rendi Currey, City Clerk

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