

**REGULAR CALLED MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Boardroom
MEMBERS:**

April 21st, 2011

5:30 P.M.

OTHERS:

Jason Jones, *Ward 1 Director*
Johnny Harris, *Ward 2 Director*
Brad Godwin, *Ward 3 Director*
Roland Gosey, *Ward 4 Director*
Terry Sims, *Ward 5 Director*
James Calhoun, *Vice Mayor, At Large Director*
C. T. Hollingshead, *Mayor*

Jimmy Bolt, *City Manager*
Rendi Currey, *City Clerk*
Jamal Brown, *Press*

(See attached list)

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hollingshead called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Director Harris

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Calhoun seconded by Director Gosey to approve the minutes from the March 31st, 2011 Special called meeting and the April 7th, 2011 Regular called meeting as presented and the motion passed with a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:

Jason Jones	“Aye”	Johnny Harris	“Aye”
Brad Godwin	“Aye”	Roland Gosey	“Aye”
Terry Sims	“Aye”	James Calhoun	“Aye”
Mayor Hollingshead	“Aye”		

PUBLIC HEARING – CCAHC PROPOSED LEASE OF 625 MAIN STREET PROPERTY TO HOUSE THE ARKADELPHIA ART CENTER

Mr. Bolt stated that no contract had been presented to date therefore there was nothing to discuss at this time.

CONSIDER ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR OFFICIAL STREET NAMES

Vice Mayor Calhoun made a motion seconded by Director Sims to discuss placing the ordinance on its first reading. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

After a lengthy discussion Vice Mayor Calhoun made the motion seconded by Director Jones to place the ordinance on its first reading. **The motion passed 5 to 2 with Harris and Gosey voting “No”.**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS STREET
NAME MAP DATED JANUARY 2011, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Vice Mayor Calhoun made the motion seconded by Mayor Hollingshead to place the ordinance on its second reading title only in the next meeting. **The motion passed 5 to 2 with Harris and Gosey voting “No”.**

CONSIDER RACIAL AND DIVERSITY COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The City Manager nominated the following individuals as single group.

Dr. Rafael Bejarono
Dominique Harper
Dr. Kenneth Harris
Leon Harris
Dr. George Keck
Elaine Kneebone
Fernanada Mendez
Brenda Philson
Nathan Price
Carrie Roberson
Yukiko Taylor

Vice Mayor Calhoun made the motion seconded by Mayor Hollingshead to approve list above for the Racial and Diversity Committee vacancies. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

CONSIDER PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

The election of Mr. Gosey has left a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Mr. Bolt nominates Junius Williams with term expiring April 5th, 2013. Director Godwin made a motion seconded by Vice Mayor Calhoun to approve the nomination of Mr. Williams to the Planning Commission term expiring April 5th, 2013. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

- I would like to announce a drug take back program going on at the Rec Center April 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- The recent storms have caused a few trees to fall, a lot of debris to fall out of trees and caused power poles to fall. The Water Utility has suffered from power outages and we are thankful to be in a cooperative agreement that allows equipment assistance. This allowed us to receive an additional generator to keep the pump stations running until power was restored.
- The Sanitation Department also suffered power outages as well. They were able to run the transfer station with an on site generator. The department has also collected a large amount of debris and will have to dispose of it in short order to maintain ADEQ compliance. They also provided a truck and operator to assist the Street Department in clearing road ways and water ways.
- I want to encourage everyone to monitor severe weather conditions. Know your plan of action to protect yourself all hours of the day. I would encourage everyone to have a weather alert radio with a battery backup. The volume should be set high enough to wake you at night.
- The Mayor and I attended the Arkansas Leadership Prayer Breakfast at the Governor's Mansion this morning.

- I had the opportunity to speak to Henderson students through a program called the School of Business Lecture Series. I was able to share aspects about my career path and my real world experiences.
- Staff attended the Entrepreneur Breakfast hosted by HSU's Small Business Development Center. The main topic was covering the use of social medias.
- Staff attended the Industry Lunch hosted by HSU's Small business Development Center. The main topics were covering the use of a Work Force Readiness tool and an update from the Alliance. We intend to place a copy of the Alliance's report in your next Board package.
- I have started reviewing resumes of applicants for the Utility Manager's position. We had 15 applicants and I have narrowed the list down to 5 applicants. I plan to interview at least two or three applicants once I have narrowed the list.
- We will be asking to move our 2nd meetings of the month in May and in June from Thursday to Tuesday so that Board and staff may participate in the Chamber Banquet and the Arkansas Municipal League Convention.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Jason Jones, Ward 1- He reminded everyone of the Clark County Relay for Life event Friday April 29th, 2011 at Badger Stadium.

Johnny Harris, Ward 2- He stated he votes the way he feels best and reminded everyone that every voice needs to be heard.

Brad Godwin, Ward 3- Glad to be home from vacation.

Roland Gosey, Ward 4- He thanked the citizens willing to serve on the Racial and Diversity Committee.

Terry Sims, Ward 5- She stated she would like to encourage a group to work on a Farmer's Market in the downtown area. There is a grant available in the amount of \$20,000. She encouraged people to call or send an email to get the information.

James Calhoun, Vice Mayor, At Large Director- He appreciates Director Sims for talking about a Farmer's Market and just recently visited on in Jonesboro and thought it was a wonderful project. He is excited about the Drug Take Back program and adds all over the counter drugs to the list of drugs for the program. He reminds everyone that those medicines do not need to end up in our sewer system. He also appreciates Mr. Williams and all those willing to serve on the Racial and Diversity Committee. He wanted to express his sadness for the loss of Billy Ruggles. He will be missed by our community.

C.T. Hollingshead, Mayor- He announced that it is volunteer month and HSU and OBU both have done some clean up around the city. OBU's Tiger Serve Day was a huge success on April the 2nd with 803 volunteers split up in 80 teams working on 103 projects helping out the elderly around town.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business to discuss, Director Jones made the motion seconded by Director Harris to adjourn. **The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.**

C. T. Hollingshead, Mayor

Rendi Currey, City Clerk

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Henry Wilson
Al Harris
Darnell Harris
Leon Harris
Albert Neal
Bud Reeder
Debbie Thompson
Doug Nelson
Jonathan Huber
Lewis Sheppard
Kyle Jones