

**REGULAR CALLED
MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Boardroom

July 1st, 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*
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 Rudolph to approve the June 24th, 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”		

ATTENDING CITIZEN

Henry Wilson, President of the NAACP, spoke in favor of delaying the vote to name the Pine Street Bridge Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Overpass. It was explained to Mr. Wilson that this vote would not affect the NAACP's requests to name a street after the slain civil rights leader.

DISCUSSION OF THE PROPOSAL FOR THE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. OVERPASS

Vice Mayor Sanders showed her example of a sign that would be displayed on the overpass on Pine Street. She explained that this is a Board action and this would not affect any other organization wanting to honor Dr. King. A resolution was presented to the Board to adopt formally and send on to the Arkansas State Highway Department requesting the placement of the signs on the Bridge. After a brief discussion Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Hager to adopt the resolution to move forward with the naming the new bridge on Pine Street Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Overpass. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

FIRST READING OF THE ANNEXATION ORDINANCE

At the public hearing held on June 24th, 2004 the Board voted to place on the agenda the first reading

of the annexation ordinance on the July 1st, 2004.

The Mayor asked the Clerk to read the ordinance in its entirety:

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN LANDS THAT ARE COMPLETELY SURROUNDED BY THE INCORPORATED LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA,
ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Rudolph to place the ordinance on its second reading title only on the agenda for the July 15th, 2004 meeting. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

SECOND READING TITLE ONLY SIDEWALK ORDINANCE

In the June 24th, 2004 meeting Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor to place the second reading title only on the July 1st meeting. The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the ordinance title only:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE B-425 AND SPECIFICALLY PART A – ZONING – CHAPTER V, “GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLYING TO ALL OR SEVERAL DISTRICTS”, ARTICLE 5-9, “SIDEWALKS”

Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Director Calhoun to place the ordinance on its third reading title only. **The motion failed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

After a brief discussion Director Calhoun made a motion seconded by Director Rudolph to send the ordinance back to staff for further review. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

SECOND READING TITLE ONLY SIDEWALK ORDINANCE SUBDIVISION

In the June 24th, 2004 meeting Vice Mayor Sanders made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to place second reading title only on the July 1st, 2004 meeting. The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the ordinance title only:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE B-425 AND SPECIFICALLY PART B - SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, CHAPTER VIII, MINIMUM REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS FOR SUBDIVISIONS ENTIRELY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY WATER AND/OR SEWER LIMITS, PARAGRAPH D. “SIDEWALKS”

Director Calhoun made the motion seconded by Director Rudolph to place the ordinance on its third reading title only. **The motion failed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

After a brief discussion Director Calhoun made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to send the ordinance back to staff for further review. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

DISCUSSION TO APPOINT BOARD MEMBER TO FINISH TERM

After a brief discussion Director Calhoun made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to take no further action until the petitions for election of Ward 5 are submitted. **The motion passed 6 to 1 with Director Rudolph abstaining.**

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Ann Kelly- She read a letter from Don Zimmerman Executive Director of the Arkansas Municipal

League, appointing Barbara Coplen to serve on the Executive Committee which is the League's governing body.

Joe Phelps- He inquired as to the status of the Youth Sports Complex and asked if the city was on track with the landowners to get the rights of ways. Jimmy Bolt stated we were in the preliminary stages.

Dick Rudolph-Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Director Hager to suspend the rules and place on the agenda for discussion the 911 money. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. After a brief discussion and referencing ACA 12-10-305 Director Rudolph made the motion seconded by Vice Mayor Sanders to support the City Manager and the City Attorney in perusing the issue of negotiating a written agreement of mutual aid of 911 services between the city and the county. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.** The Mayor read a letter from Dan Flowers Director of the Highway and Transportation Department. The letter stated that there would be a traffic study done to justify a traffic signal at Highway 51 and I-30.

James Calhoun- He stated since the issue of 911 services was being discussed he brought up that a child had been hurt at Feaster Park and he called 911 and was directed to the hospital ambulance service. He was not happy with the service he had received and asked the City Manager to check further into how that might be changed. He also mentioned attending a meeting earlier today with a small group to see if there was interest in doing something in conjunction with the Clinton Library opening on November 18th. The next couple of weeks there will be a general call for interested people to put together a display.

Ann Sanders-She stated she would like find a place to bring big trucks to come in to Arkadelphia. She believes Arkadelphia is losing a lot of revenue. She stated she would like to find an individual with land in the area to put in a truck stop or turn around spot for big trucks.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Ms. Coplen stated the headache rack had been taken down at Wal-mart and trucks are turning around there.
- Arkadelphia River Park hosted Little League tournaments both district and state she thanked all departments involved in keeping the grounds up and the trash dumped.
- She reported that Tuesday the Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer, Water and Sewer Manager and Assistant Manger and herself went to Little Rock for the bond closing and preconstruction conference on the Water Filter Improvement project.
- The rain is causing the grass to grow and the pool to close so everyone is ready for the rain to end.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business to discuss, Vice Mayor Sanders made a motion seconded by Director Kelly to adjourn. **The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.**

C. T. Hollingshead, Mayor

Rendi Currey, City Clerk

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Julian Jaeger
Kathy Phelps
Glen Beedle
Anita Wiley
April Hager
Buddy Manning
Dorinda Sutor
Henry Wilson
Roy Ross
Albert Neal
Bruce Bell