

**REGULAR CALLED
MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Boardroom

November 4th, 2004

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ann Kelly, *Ward 1*
Don Hager, *Ward 2*
Joe Phelps, *Ward 3*
C. T. Hollingshead, *Mayor*

Barbara Coplen, *City Manager*
Rendi Currey, *City Clerk*
Donna Hilton, *Press*
Jimmy Bolt, *Public Works Director*
Glen Beedle, *Interim Treasurer*

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Mayor Hollingshead

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Hager made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to approve the October 21st, minutes as presented. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The vote was as follows:**

Ann Kelly
Joe Phelps

“Aye”
“Aye”

Don Hager
Mayor Hollingshead

“Aye”
“Aye”

FIRST READING OF THE FIVE MILL ORDINANCE

The first reading of the annual millage ordinance assessing a five mill tax against the real and personal property within the city limits to be collectible in 2005. This is an annual requirement in order for the city to collect their portions of the property tax. Staff is requesting to suspend the rules and place it on its second and third reading and adopt the emergency clause and the ordinance. Director Hager made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to place the ordinance on its first reading. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the ordinance in its entirety:

AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A FIVE MILL TAX AGAINST THE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2004 COLLECTIBLE IN 2005: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

SUSPEND THE RULES

Director Hager made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to suspend the rules and place on the agenda the second reading of the annual millage ordinance title only. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the ordinance title only:**

AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A FIVE MILL TAX AGAINST THE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2004 COLLECTIBLE IN 2005: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

SUSPEND THE RULES

Director Hager made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to suspend the rules and place on the agenda the third reading of the annual millage ordinance title only.

The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the ordinance title only:

AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A FIVE MILL TAX AGAINST THE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2004 COLLECTIBLE IN 2005: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Director Hager made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to adopt the ordinance. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

Director Hager made the motion seconded by Director Kelly to adopt the emergency clause. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote**

CONSIDERATION OF TIPPING FEES

Jimmy Bolt, Public Works Director, presented to the Board for consideration an ordinance raising sanitation tipping fees. After a brief discussion Director Hager made a motion seconded by Director Kelly to place the ordinance raising tipping fees on its first reading. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the ordinance in its entirety:

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A TIPPING FEE ON A PER TON BASIS FOR THE HAULING SOLID WASTE (TRASH) FOR GOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE ENTITIES TO A LAND FILL IN PULASKI COUNTY, ARKANSAS: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Director Kelly made the motion seconded by Director Hager to place the ordinance on its second reading title only on the November 18th, 2004 agenda. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

SUSPEND THE RULES

Director Hager made a motion to suspend the rules and make a motion on have a public hearing to discuss raising sanitation fees at 6:30 p.m. on November 18th, 2004 before the regular board meeting.

The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

DISCUSSION OF THE VACATION BUY BACK PROGRAM

There was a brief discussion and a motion was made by Director Kelly and seconded by Director Hager to table the discussion until a later date. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

DISCUSSION OF PARKS AND REC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE

Director Phelps and Rick Brumley came before the Board to discuss the attendance problem with the Parks and Rec advisory committee. There are two positions whose members are showing very low

attendance and the committee does not have a quorum at some of their meetings so it is staffs' recommendation that a vacancy be declared and an ad run for the two positions with poor attendance. Director Hager made a motion seconded by Director Phelps to accept the recommendation from the Parks staff and declare two vacancies and run an ad requesting letters of interest to finish out the terms. **The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Ann Kelly-She reported the downtown area is looking great. She asked the downtown merchants to try and park away from their businesses so that customers could park in front of the stores. And she asked that each business watch for and pick up litter in the flower beds. She stated she may even get out and pick up trash. She reminded everyone of the 1st Annual Founder's Day Saturday November 6th at the Riverfront Park beginning at 9 a.m.

Don Hager- He reported the water department working on a water line on 27th street and working on mapping. He reported the fire department worked on training in their meeting and he reported Ollie Buckley being back to work.

Joe Phelps-He reported attending the Parks and Rec meeting and the budget being passed out to the members for their input.

Mayor Hollingshead-He encouraged citizens to attend the Founder's Day events on Saturday. There will be music, BBQ, plays, and other events going on.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Ms. Coplen reported working on reservations for the Arkansas Municipal League winter conference.
- She reported that there are dead trees in the flower beds however; the Streetscape project hasn't been turned over to the city at this time. The replacement trees are on order.
- The Rec Center hosted the Health Department during the flu vaccine disbursement on Wednesday.
- Budget work has started.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business to discuss, Director Hager made a motion seconded by Director Phelps to adjourn. **The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.**

C. T. Hollingshead, Mayor

Rendi Currey, City Clerk

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Julian Jaeger
Kathy Phelps
Anthony Owen
Michelle Owen
Dorinda Suitor