

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF EXCELSIOR SPRINGS  
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MISSOURI  
JULY 21, 2008

The City Council of the City of Excelsior Springs, Missouri met in Regular Session at 6:05 PM, Monday, July 21, 2008 in the Council Chambers of the Hall of Waters Building. The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Schutte

The opening prayer was given by the Reverend Mark Callister of the Church of the Nazarene.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Schutte.

Roll Call of Members: Present: Mayor Carolyn Schutte, Mayor Pro-Tem Ambrose Buckman, Councilmen Ken Fousek, Jim Nelson and Sonny Parker  
Jim Nelson and Sonny Parker.

Absent: None

VISITORS: (Tape A26-31)

Mayor Schutte asked a Boy Scout who was in the audience to introduce himself.

Parker Golligler, Boy Scout Troop #309, introduced himself and stated he is attending the City Council Meeting to earn his "Citizen in the Community" merit badge. Parker was welcomed by all members of the Council.

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON JULY 7, 2008: (Tape A32-48)

Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 7, 2008. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

Roll Call of Votes: Ayes: Nelson, Parker, Fousek, Buckman, Schutte

Nays: None, motion carried.

Minutes of July 7, 2008 passed and approved July 21, 2008.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA: (Tape A49-54)

Councilman Parker made a motion to approve the Agenda, as printed. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman.

Roll Call of Votes: Ayes: Parker, Fousek, Nelson, Buckman, Schutte

Nays: None, motion carried.

Agenda, as printed, passed and approved July 21, 2008.

SELECTION OF CONSULTANT FOR CITYWIDE MASTER PLAN: (Tape A55-285)

The City Manager advised the Council that all this item needs is a simple motion and the Council will approve it by Ordinance at the next Council Meeting; or, the item can be tabled.

The Mayor polled the Council to see if members were ready to vote. Councilman Nelson stated he would like to discuss the item first. The Mayor then opened the subject for discussion.

Councilman Fousek stated he is tied between "SKW " and "RDG". Both gave excellent presentations and he has

not quite made up his mind.

Councilman Nelson stated he liked “Landplan” until he heard they are doing the same thing in Kearney, Mo. He is leaning toward “RDG”.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman stated that it seemed “Larkin” had a better plan...had done their leg-work better in regard to the City, the parks, the infrastructure, etc.

Councilman Parker stated that over the last 20 or 30 years, Public Works has had a good record with “Larkin” and they know this community well. They are more experienced and the City will get more bang for the buck.

Mayor Schutte stated that “Larkin” gave a better presentation identifying their visions and selling them to the public. She was very impressed with “RDG”

Councilman Fousek stated that the City has spent \$500,000 over the last 20 years on master plans and the trouble has been with implementation. He is ready for something to happen.

The City Manager stated that if the City spends the money and they have a good plan, there is no reason not to use it.

Councilman Parker made a motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract with RDG Planning & Design and Larkin Group to prepare a Master Plan for the City of Excelsior Springs. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman.

Roll Call of Votes:       Ayes:   Fousek, Nelson, Parker, Buckman, Schutte

                                  Nays:   None, motion carried.

City Manager authorized to negotiate a contract with RDG Planning & Design and Larkin Group on July 21, 2008.

ORDINANCE #08-7-3, ESTABLISHMENT OF RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT: (Tape A286-506)

Mayor Schutte read by title the First Reading of Ordinance #08-7-3.

Police Chief John McGovern briefed the Council on this Ordinance.

Councilman Nelson made a motion to place on Second Reading Ordinance #08-7-3 adding Chapter 347 to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Excelsior Springs, Missouri by enacting new sections 347.010, 347.020, 347.030, 347.050, 347.060, 347.070 and 347.080, Automated Enforcement of Traffic Signal Regulations. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

Roll Call of Votes:       Ayes:   Nelson, Parker, Fousek, Buckman, Schutte

                                  Nays:   None, motion carried.

The actual Second Reading by title of this Ordinance will be done at the next scheduled Council Meeting on August 4, 2008.

ORDINANCE #08-7-4, PURCHASE OF LOCKERS: (Tape A507-605)

Mayor Schutte read by title the First Reading of Ordinance #08-7-4.

Once again, Police Chief McGovern briefed the Council on this Ordinance.

Councilman Parker made a motion to place on Second Reading Ordinance #08-7-4, authorizing the Chief of Police to purchase personnel duty lockers from Automated Business Systems in the amount of \$20,654.58. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman.

Roll Call of Votes: Ayes: Fousek, Nelson, Parker, Buckman, Schutte.

Nays: None, motion carried.

Mayor Schutte read by title the Second Reading of Ordinance #08-7-4.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to approve Ordinance #08-7-4, authorizing the Chief of Police to purchase personnel duty lockers from Automated Business Systems in the amount of \$20,654.58. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

Roll Call of Votes: Ayes: Nelson, Parker, Fousek, Buckman, Schutte

Nays: None, motion carried.

Ordinance #08-7-4 passed and approved July 21, 2008.

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE #08-7-5: (Tape A606-674)

Mayor Schutte read by title the First Reading of Appropriations Ordinance #08-7-5.

The Mayor and Members of the Council went over the Appropriations list line by line.

Councilman Nelson made a motion to place on Second Reading Appropriations Ordinance #08-7-5, in the amount of \$502,395.65. Motion was seconded by Councilman Fousek.

Roll Call of Votes: Ayes: Parker, Fousek, Nelson, Buckman, Schutte

Nays: None, motion carried.

Mayor Schutte read by title the Second Reading of Appropriations Ordinance #08-7-5.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to approve Appropriations Ordinance #08-7-5, in the amount of \$503,395.65. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

Roll Call of Votes: Ayes: Fousek, Nelson, Parker, Buckman, Schutte

Nays: None, motion carried.

Appropriations Ordinance #08-7-5 passed and approved July 21, 2008.

REMARKS – CITY MANAGER AND COUNCIL: (Tape A675-1150)

City Manager Haugland:

1. On Wednesday, July 30, 2008, he will host a citizen input meeting on “Light Rail” at 7:00 PM.
2. Would like to check the availability of members of the Council for a Work Session next Monday night. Will let members know by Thursday if the meeting will take place.
3. Easements have been signed on the McCleary Road Project.
4. There will be a Missouri Municipal League Conference in Springfield, Mo. from Sept. 7 to 10, 2008. Any Council person wishing to attend, please let him know so he can arrange reservations.
5. Took his first vacation and seen the sights in Kansas City.

Councilman Parker:

1. Happy about the Master Plan. This has been needed for a long time, excited about the new group.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman:

1. Congratulates H.A.Dickey on receiving a civic award from the Missouri Municipal League. He and his wife and Jim Nelson attended. This award was well deserved.

Councilman Nelson:

1. Asked the City Attorney why the K C P & L District can implement a dress code and the Hall of Waters District cannot. (The City Attorney advised this dress code could only be enforced on private property in restaurants and courtyards...not on city streets. This dress code is enforced by business security and not by city policemen.)

Councilman Fousek:

1. Would like to thank Boy Scout Parker Golligler for his interest in government and getting his good citizen merit badge.

Mayor Schutte:

1. Says "Yeah" for the Master Plan.
2. Thanked the newspaper for the write-up regarding Boards and Commissions.
3. Would like to implement a blanket Ordinance changing the month when terms expire on Boards.
4. On August 16 will need volunteers to work the tourism booth at the State Fair.
5. First time tonight heard the word "Google" used as a verb, an adjective and a noun.

With no further business at hand, Mayor Schutte adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 6:43 PM.

ATTEST:

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CAROLYN SCHUTTE, MAYOR

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FRANCES SMITH, CITY CLERK