

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF EXCELSIOR SPRINGS
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MISSOURI
DECEMBER 1, 2008

The City Council of the City of Excelsior Springs, Missouri met in Regular Session at 6:00 PM, Monday, December 1, 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 Terry Barnes, Pastor of Woods Memorial Church

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

Absent: None

VISITORS: (Tape A41-169)

Mr. Kenneth Ranca, 1711 Wornall Street, addressed the Council. Mr. Ranca's concern was that on Thanksgiving there was a water main break and it even drained the water from his hot water tank. When the break was fixed he tried to contact someone from the City to see if the water was safe to drink. He was unable to get this information. He called "911", he called the Police Department, the Fire Department and even the Excelsior Springs Medical Center. No one was able to give him this information. There is no one to answer citizens calls on weekends and holidays.

Councilman Parker informed him that he should have called Public Works

Mayor Schutte stated that Mr. Ranca brought up a good point. There should be better communications between the Police and Fire Departments. She thanked Mr. Ranca for bringing this to the Council's attention and the City will look into it.

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, NOVEMBER 17, 2008:1 (Tape A170-179)

Councilman Parker made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 17, 2008. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Minutes of November 17, 2008 passed and approved on December 1, 2008.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA: (Tape A180-189)

Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the Agenda, as printed. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Agenda, as printed, passed and approved December 1, 2008.

RESOLUTION #802, PURCHASE OF PORTABLE RADIOS: (Tape A190-224)

Fire Chief Kent Cantrell briefed the Council on this Resolution and informed them that this purchase has been approved by the Public Safety Sales Tax Committee and the amount is included in the 2008/2009 budget.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to accept Resolution #802, authorizing the Fire Chief to purchase from Communications Associates, six (6) Vertex VX-921 portable radios and accessories for the total delivered price of \$4,452. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Resolution #802 passed and approved December 1, 2008.

RESOLUTION #803, PURCHASE OF PICKUP TRUCK: (Tape A225-264)

Once again Fire Chief Cantrell advised the Council that the purchase of this truck has been approved by the Public Safety Sales Tax Committee and the amount has been budgeted.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to accept Resolution #803, authorizing the Fire Chief to purchase a 2006 GMC Sierra 2500 4x4 pickup truck for the delivered amount of \$15,900. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Resolution #803 passed and approved December 1, 2008.

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE #08-12-1: (Tape A265-309)

Mayor Schutte read by title the First Reading of Appropriations Ordinance #08-12-1.

Members of the Council went over the Appropriations reports for questions.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to place on Second Reading Ordinance #08-12-1, in the amount of \$936,912.41. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Mayor Schutte read by title the Second Reading of Ordinance #08-12-1.

Councilman Fousek made a motion to approve Appropriations Ordinance #08-12-1, in the amount of \$936,912.41. Motion was seconded by Councilman Nelson.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Appropriations Ordinance #08-12-1 passed and approved December 1, 2008.

REMARKS – CITY MANAGER AND CITY COUNCIL: (Tape A309-479)

City Manager Haugland.

1. He was as surprised as the Council to hear about the situation regarding the water main break on Thanksgiving.

He will address his concerns to the City Staff and get some answers. These answers will be brought back to the Council at the next Council Meeting.

2. Reminded Council of the Keystone Luncheon at 11:30 AM next Tuesday. He will be very glad to drive and take all who want to attend.
3. Had a very good Thanksgiving weekend.
4. Reminded the Council that the City Hall luncheon will be December 12, Friday, at 11:30 at the Golf Course

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman.

1. Would like to thank Chad Birdsong for the Thanksgiving dinner at Public Works.

Councilman Nelson:

1. To have a water main break in Prathersville and have it draining houses in the City...the whole situation is not right.

Councilman Fousek:

1. Has the same comment as Nelson. To drain water from water heaters is not right.
2. Had a great time at the Public Works dinner.
3. Everyone have a Merry Christmas.

Mayor Schutte:

1. The City's web page has outdated information. The City Manager stated that he and Kevin Morgan have scheduled an update to this information.

With no further business at hand, Mayor Schutte adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 6:18 PM.

ATTEST:

CAROLYN SCHUTTE, MAYOR

FRANCES SMITH, CITY CLERK