

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF EXCELSIOR SPRINGS
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MISSOURI
SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

The City Council of the City of Excelsior Springs, Missouri met in Regular Session at 6:00 PM, Monday, September 21, 2009 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 Earl Mitchell, Pastor of Flack Memorial Christian 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:

There were no visitors at this Council Meeting who wished to address the Council.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL WORK SESSION, SEPTEMBER 8, 2009, AND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 8, 2009: (Tape A1297-1311)

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Council Work Session on September 8, 2009, and the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on September 8, 2009. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Minutes of Work Session and Regular Council Meeting on Sept. 8, 2009 passed and approved September 21, 2009.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA: (Tape A1312-1324)

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

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Agenda, as printed, passed and approved September 21, 2009.

PRESENTATION – AIYMKAN KYZY TALAIBEK: (Tape A1325-1947)

Brad Broadbent, a local business owner, stated he wished to introduce a foreign student who is living with his family during this school year. Brad stated that with a smaller world and smaller internet, an effort is being made to get to know others. In 1992 a program was started to bring young people to this country from Eurasia. This girl is not just any kid

coming to America, she had to go through 1,200 steps to get this far. She is from the country of Kyrgystan. Brad then introduced Aiyumkan Kyzy Talaibek.

Aiyumkan stated that she had to know good English and have a lot of good points to come to America for high school this year. She stated she wanted to participate in school in America so she could see how people live in other countries. America has lots of people from a lot of countries. America is a really good country and she wants to get as much out of her visit here to take back with her.

Councilman Fousek asked what she wanted to do for an occupation. She stated she wanted to be a diplomat or ambassador. Mayor Schutte asked what she had learned from this country already and she stated that Americans are more kind than people in her country. She stated Americans say “hello” and “how are you” and this would be a little strange in her country in Middle Asia.

Aiyumkan also showed the Council a traditional man’s coat one would give as a gift in her country, a replica of a traditional house, a hat made of wool and a flag. She presented this traditional house to Mayor Schutte.

Councilman Fousek suggested all members of the Council sign a letter stating that Aiyumkan had attended a Council Meeting to reward her good work.

PRESENTATION – MAIN ACTION GROUP: (Tape A1948-2000, B1-B46)

Vickie Bates, representing the Main Action Group, addressed the Council. She stated that the Main Action Group had been formed in 1990 and their goal is for improvement in our community. They also educate the public, stimulate the economy, do market research, landscaping, have banners printed and bring positive attention to the downtown area.

Their current projects are Celebrate America, the annual Fireworks display, and the annual Waterfest. They have raised about \$10,000 this year with a lot of community participation, including the City and business participants.

RESOLUTION #830, REAPPOINT BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS: (Tape B043-090)

Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve Resolution #830 to appoint the attached list of Board Appointments with the appropriate expiration term dates during the Regular Council Meeting on Sept. 21, 2009. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Resolution #830 passed and approved September 21, 2009.

RESOLUTION #831, PURCHASE FOUR STORM SIRENS: (Tape B091-132)

Fire Chief Cantrell briefed the Council on this Resolution.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to approve Resolution #831, for the Fire Chief to enter into an agreement with Blue Valley Public Safety for the purchase of storm sirens, associated hardware, and costs of installation at a cost of \$82,719.20 for Phase II. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Resolution #831 passed and approved September 21, 2009.

RESOLUTION #832, PURCHASE OF POLICE VEHICLES: (Tape B133-205)

Police Chief McGovern briefed the Council on this purchase.

Councilman Parker made a motion to approve Resolution #832, authorizing the Chief of Police to purchase one Crown Victoria police package vehicle at a cost of \$23,325.16 from Chuck Anderson Ford. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Resolution #832 passed and approved September 21, 2009.

ORDINANCE #09-9-3, CONDUCT UTILITIES RATE STUDY: (Tape B206-266)

Mayor Schutte read by title the First Reading of Ordinance #09-9-3.

Tom Wall, Director of Public Utilities, was on hand to answer Council's questions on this Ordinance.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to place on Second Reading Ordinance #09-9-3, authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for professional services to conduct a Utilities Rate Study. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Mayor Schutte read by title the Second Reading of Ordinance #09-9-3.

Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve Ordinance #09-9-3, authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for professional services to conduct a Utilities Rate Study. Motion was seconded by Councilman Fousek.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Ordinance #09-9-3 passed and approved September 21, 2009.

ORDINANCE #09-9-4, 2009 BUDGET AMENDMENT, ALL FUNDS: _____ (Tape B267-341)

Mayor Schutte read by title the First Reading of Ordinance #09-9-4.

Steve Marriott, Director of Administrative Services, went over this Ordinance with the Council. Councilman Fousek stated he wished to thank Steve for presenting the budget well and doing an excellent job.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to place on Second Reading Ordinance #09-9-4, to amend the Budget for various funds for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Mayor Schutte read by title the Second Reading of Ordinance #09-9-4.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to approve Ordinance #09-9-4, amending the Budget for various funds for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Ordinance #09-9-4 passed and approved September 21, 2009.

ORDINANCE #09-9-5, ADOPTING THE 2010 BUDGET: (Tape B342-419)

Mayor Schutte read by title the First Reading of Ordinance #09-9-5.

Steve Marriott, once again, briefed the Council on this Ordinance.

Councilman Fousek made a motion to place on Second Reading Ordinance #09-9-5, to adopt a Budget for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010, and authorizing the expenditures of funds. 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 #09-9-5.

Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve Ordinance #09-9-5, to adopt a Budget for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010, and authorizing the expenditure of funds. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Ordinance #09-9-5 passed and approved September 21, 2009.

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE #09-9-6: (Tape B420-452)

Mayor Schutte read by title the First Reading of Appropriations Ordinance #09-9-6.

Members of the Council and Steve Marriott went through the Appropriations reports.

Councilman Parker made a motion to place on Second Reading Appropriations Ordinance #09-9-6, in the amount of \$332,074.28. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Mayor Schutte read by title the Second Reading of Appropriations Ordinance #09-9-6.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman made a motion to approve Appropriations Ordinance #09-9-6, in the amount of \$332,074.28. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parker.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Appropriations Ordinance #09-9-6 passed and approved September 21, 2009.

REMARKS – CITY MANAGER AND CITY COUNCIL: (Tape B453-631)

City Manager Haugland:

Received a call this afternoon from a Staff person who would like to address the Council for five minutes at the next meeting on October 5 regarding the law enforcement sales tax election coming up.

Attended the International City Manager's Meeting in Montreal last week. There were managers there from all 50 states and it was well worth the time. Got a good idea of where we are going in the next few years.

Councilman Parker:

This has been a good budget year. Would like to thank the Staff for a good job during these tough economic times, the numbers are conservative, but there is a better year coming.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buckman:

Would like to thank the Staff for all the good work on the budget.

Councilman Nelson:

This has been a painless budget process. Wishes we had more money to go around, but good times will come again.

Councilman Fousek:

Thanked the Staff and all employees for hard work on the budget. Had to make some crunches. Thanked Steve and Dave for their presentations.

Mayor Schutte:

Agrees with comments on budget process. We have a lot of things to work on this year.

Where are we at on the Museum?

Thanked the volunteer group for their work on flower gardens on Saturday.

With no further business at hand, Mayor Schutte asked for a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting and go into closed session.

Councilman Nelson made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting and go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610-021 (1) Legal and (3) Personnel. Motion was seconded by Councilman Fousek.

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

Nays: None, motion carried.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM.

ATTEST:

CAROLYN SCHUTTE, MAYOR

FRANCES SMITH, CITY CLERK

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