

December 16, 2013

REGULAR MEETING 1

The City Council of the City of Sherwood met for a regular meeting on December 16, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Those present were Mayor Virginia R. Hillman, City Attorney Steve Cobb, City Clerk Angela Nicholson, Aldermen Brooks, Harmon, Lilly, McMinn, Butler, Heye, and Sanders. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Davis Thompson, Pastor of First Methodist Church of North Little Rock, led in prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag.

Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on November 25, 2013, as transcribed. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Mayor Hillman introduced Olivia Rankin. Olivia is a Sherwood resident who was selected to have her photo on the box of Wonder Loom, which is sold in the Wal-Mart stores.

Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the following resolution on the agenda. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Resolution No. 24-2013, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO OBJECT TO THE 2013 PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF THE PULASKI COUNTY SCHOOL DESEGREGATION CASE AND TO ENCOURAGE THE SHERWOOD PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION TO JOIN IN THE OBJECTION" was read. Alderman Harmon stated he brought the resolution to the council because the wording in Paragraph E of the proposed desegregation settlement that reads "The State will oppose the creation of any other school districts from PCSSD's territory until PCSSD is declared unitary and is released from federal court supervisions" is not necessary. Co-chairs of the Sherwood Public Education Foundation, Dr. Linda Remele and Beverly Williams were present and gave the council information pertaining to the demographic comparisons between Sherwood and the Pulaski County School District. Ms. Williams stated this information was taken from the Cycle Report that school districts submit to the education department October 1 of every year. Alderman Harmon asked if the council voted on this resolution would the education foundation committee move forward with an objection also. Dr. Remele stated that she and Ms. Williams are ready to make a recommendation to the education foundation to file an objection as a committee. Alderman McMinn asked where the objection would be submitted to. City Attorney Steve Cobb stated he would write a letter to the Federal Court Clerk. Representative Jim Nickels addressed the council and stated he attended the legislative meeting, and this was when he first heard of the amendment to the settlement. Mr. Nickels stated that is what prompted him to write a letter to the Attorney General. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Alderman Brooks, Chairman of the Advertising and Promotion Commission, stated the commission will meet on January 8, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. at the Bill Harmon Recreation Center. Alderman Brooks stated the Trail of Lights has started, but due to weather the trail was closed for three days. Alderman Brooks stated the Advertising and Promotion Commission has two ordinances on the agenda.

Ordinance No. 2008, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF AN ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION COMMISSION BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Harmon, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was

read for the second time. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Lilly, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2009, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1992 TO EXEMPT PRIVATE CLUBS FROM THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THAT ORDINANCE” was read. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Butler, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the second time. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Lilly, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Heye, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Alderman Harmon, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee, stated the committee did not meet in December. The next meeting will be January 13, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. at the Bill Harmon Recreation Center.

Alderman Butler, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, stated the committee did not meet. The next meeting will be announced. Alderman Brooks stated the Personnel committee has an ordinance for the council.

Ordinance No. 2010, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A SPECIAL STEP PAY PLAN FOR UNIFORMED POLICE PERSONNEL ONLY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read. Alderman Heye asked if other cities had a step pay plan in place. Alderman Harmon advised other cities have some sort of step pay plan and the personnel committee compiled what other cities had to come up with the pay plan submitted to the council. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the second time. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Lilly, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2011, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE ABANDONING TWO (2) SIX-FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENTS ON LOT 10430B, CVS SUBDIVISION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the second time. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Butler, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Lilly, seconded by Alderman Harmon, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. Alderman Harmon stated that the property description will be corrected before finalization of the easements.

Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to move Item # 17 up on the agenda. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. A proposed resolution entitled, *“A resolution authorizing the mayor to continue the contract with the Sherwood Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of providing economic development*

services” was read. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman McMinn, made a motion to amend the ordinance to add “Section 2. The Economic Development budget is hereby approved”. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. Alderman Harmon asked Jessica Rodgers, President of the Chamber to make a change to Item #16 in the contract to show that the money given to the chamber is restricted to each item listed and there will be a credit to the next year’s budget of money not spent. **Resolution No. 25-2013, entitled, “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO CONTINUE THE CONTRACT WITH THE SHERWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES”** was read as amended. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman McMinn, made a motion to adopt the resolution as amended. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. Mayor Hillman introduced Barry Sellers as the new Economic Development Director.

Mayor Hillman stated that the 2014 General Fund budget inadvertently showed the amount that included the reserves. Mayor Hillman stated that the reserves are not being used to balance the budget. The money was placed in the budget for auditing purposes. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to amend the General Fund 2014 proposed ordinance to remove the amount showing reserves to show the amount of \$20,439,100. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. **Ordinance No. 2012, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A GENERAL FUND DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”** was read as amended. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Lilly, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading as amended. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the second time as amended Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading as amended. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time as amended. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to adopt the ordinance as amended. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2013, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A STREET FUND DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read for the second time. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Heye, seconded by Alderman Butler, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2014, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A WASTEWATER FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read for the second time. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was

read for the third time. Alderman Heye, seconded by Alderman McMinn, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2015, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A WASTEWATER SALES TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read for the second time. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman McMinn, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2016, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A FEDERAL DRUG FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read for the second time. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Heye, seconded by Alderman McMinn, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2017, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A DRUG FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read for the second time. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Butler, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2018, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A DEPARTMENTAL DONATION FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read for the second time. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman McMinn, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2019, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A COURT AUTOMATION BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING

JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read for the second time. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Butler, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Butler, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2020, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A FRANCHISE FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read for the second time. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Heye, seconded by Alderman Butler, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Ordinance No. 2021, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 GENERAL FUND BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 1964, THE 2013 STREET FUND BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 1965, AND THE 2013 WASTEWATER BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 1966; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the second time. Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The ordinance was read for the third time. Alderman Heye, seconded by Alderman McMinn, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent. The emergency clause passed with a roll call vote of 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Resolution No. 26-2013, entitled, “A RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING AND APPOINTING VARIOUS CITIZENS TO CERTAIN SHERWOOD BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS” was read. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Harmon, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Keplinger absent.

Mayor Hillman made the following announcements:

- Festival of Lights has been rescheduled for December 20, 2013, from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, December 21, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Trail of Lights continues through December 30, 2013, 6:00-9:30 p.m.
- Sherwood Animal Shelter “Home for the Holidays” adoption campaign until January 4, 2014

Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Butler, made a motion to adjourn at 7:59 p.m.

ATTEST:

Angela Nicholson, City Clerk

Virginia R. Hillman, Mayor