

February 22, 2016

REGULAR MEETING 1

The City Council of the City of Sherwood met for a regular meeting on February 22, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Those present were Mayor Virginia R. Young, City Attorney Steve Cobb, City Clerk Angela Nicholson, Aldermen Brooks, Lilly, McMinn, Heye, Keplinger, Sanders and Williams. Alderman Harmon absent.

Nick Smith, Pastor of Greater Faith Church, led in prayer, and Boy Scout Troop #770, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Troop members present were Louis Miller working on his Life Communication Badge, Riley Darr, working on his Life Communication and Citizen Community Badge, Nathan Kennedy, working on his Life Communication and Citizen Community Badge, Lucas Williams, working on his First Class Communication and Citizen Community Badge, Eli Jenkins, working on his First Class Communication and Citizen Community Badges, Landon Darr, working on his First Class Communication and Citizen Community Badges, and Eli Bennett, working on his Star Communication Badge.

Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Heye, made a motion, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 25, 2016, as transcribed. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent.

Mayor Young opened discussion on the January 2016, financials. No comments were made.

Chief Jim Bedwell and Sgt. Keith Wilson of the Sherwood Police Department gave the following awards: 2015 Officer of the Year: John Murphy, 2015 Dispatch and Detention Officer William R. Smith, and 2015 Civilian Employee of the Year Carol Gregory.

Jarod Varner, Executive Director for Rock Region Metro made a presentation to the council informing the council of the progress the transit board is making for citizens of the community.

Alderman Brooks, Chairman of the Advertising and Promotion Commission, stated the commission met. The next meeting will be March 2, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. at the Bill Harmon Recreation Center.

Alderman Sanders, member of the Parks and Recreation Committee, stated the committee met. The committee decided to move the time of the Parks and Recreation Committee meetings from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The next meeting will be March 14, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at the Bill Harmon Recreation Center.

Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Lilly, made a motion to suspend the reading of the ordinances. The roll call vote was Aldermen Brooks, Sanders, Williams, Keplinger, Lilly, and McMinn yes. Alderman Heye no. Alderman Harmon absent.

Resolution No. 3-2016, entitled, "A RESOLUTION APPOINTING DENNY TIPTON TO THE SHERWOOD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE" was read. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Williams, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent.

Alderman Sanders, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, stated the committee did meet. The next meeting will be March 3, 2016, at 4:30 p.m. at the Bill Harmon Recreation Center.

Resolution No. 4-2016, entitled, "A RESOLUTION APPOINTING PATRICIA PLANEK TO SERVE ON THE SHERWOOD PERSONNEL COMMITTEE" was read. Alderman Heye, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent.

Ordinance No. 2098, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE REZONING THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7617 JACKSONVILLE CUTOFF FROM R-1 TO C-3 COMMERCIAL; AMENDING THE ZONING MAP; AND FOR OTHER

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PURPOSES” was read. Alderman Keplinger, seconded by Alderman Lilly, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent.

Resolution No. 5-2016, entitled, “A RESOLUTION APPROVING CERTAIN EXTERIOR BUILDING MATERIALS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF “THAT CHURCH” IN SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS” was read. Discussion took place on the material that the church was asking to use. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was Aldermen Brooks, Sanders, Williams, Keplinger, Lilly, and McMinn yes. Alderman Heye no. Alderman Harmon absent.

Alderman Lilly, Chairman of the Street Committee, stated the committee did not meet.

Alderman Brooks inquired if the city was preparing for the fogging and spraying for mosquitoes. Alderman Heye inquired if the city would go back to using fog spray. Brian Galloway, Director of Public Works, stated that the department is prepared for the fogging and spraying and that the chemical used is a fog spray.

Steve Cobb, City Attorney, explained to the council that information has been obtained that if the city refinances The Greens at North Hills Park Bond issue it will save the city money over time instead of the Public Facilities Board refinancing the bonds. Leigh Ann Biernet with Stephens was available for any questions by the council.

Resolution No. 6-2016, entitled, “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING APRIL BRODERICK, REPLACING DARRELL BROWN, TO SERVE ON THE ROCK CITY METRO BOARD, FORMERLY KNOWN AS CENTRAL ARKANSAS TRANSIT” was read. Alderman Heye, seconded by Alderman Sanders, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent. Mayor Young introduced April Broderick.

Ordinance No. 2099, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT DISPATCHING AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE SYSTEM; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read. Alderman Lilly inquired as to why the police department was asking for the waiving of competitive bidding. Chief Bedwell stated that this program is also used by Jacksonville and North Little Rock Police Departments and Sherwood Police Department works closely with these two (2) departments and this program will help better service the Sherwood Police Department. Alderman Keplinger, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent.

Resolution No. 7-2016, entitled, “A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF SHERWOOD TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDS” was read. Ellen Norvell, City Engineer, informed the council that this was a grant through Metroplan’s Imagine Central Arkansas to provided routes to businesses that citizens can walk to. The cost of the project is \$250,000.00. The grant will pay \$200,000.00 and the city will pay \$50,000.00. Alderman McMinn, seconded by Alderman Keplinger, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent.

Ordinance No. 2100, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2088 REGARDING GARBAGE COLLECTION FEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read. City Attorney Steve Cobb explained that when Ordinance No. 2088 was passed it only included residential garbage and this ordinance would add the wording “commercial” to the ordinance. Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Keplinger, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent.

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A proposed ordinance entitled, “*An ordinance repealing a portion of Ordinance 1669; and for other purposes*” was read one time.

Resolution No. 8-2016, entitled, “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF 403 CALLOWAY, SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS” was read. Alderman Lilly, seconded by Alderman Brooks, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Alderman Harmon absent.

Under old business:

- Jon Swanson, Director of MEMS presented the council with the annual report for emergency services.
- Barry Sellers, Director of Economic Development, gave an update to the council on the progress of economic development in the city.

Mayor Young made the following announcements:

- Sherwood Neighborhood Watch Fair, Tuesday, February 23, 2016, @ 6:00 p.m. at Sherwood Forest, 1111 W. Maryland Avenue
- Sherwood Animal Shelter “Spring into Spring with a New Pet” ½ price adoptions 1st week of spring March 21-26, 2016
- Sherwood Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Sunday, March 27, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. at Sherwood Forest

No further business, Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Williams, made a motion to adjourn at 7:57 p.m.

ATTEST:

Angela Nicholson, City Clerk

Virginia R. Young, Mayor