

**CITY OF ROCK HILL
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2007
7:00 P.M.**

- 1) Mayor Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) The Mayor requested and led the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) Roll call was taken with the following members of the Aldermanic Board being present: Timothy Redmond, Daniel DiPlacido, Ed Johnson, Edie Barnard, Sheri McCann, and Philip Scherry.
- 4) **Emergency Items to be added to the Agenda** – A motion was made by Alderwoman McCann and seconded by Alderwoman Barnard to include the Cell Tower Ordinance.
- 5) **Citizens to Address the Board:** *Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name, address, and organization or firm represented, if any. He/she shall speak for a period not to exceed three (3) minutes; additional time may be granted by the presiding officer or the Board.*

Susan Conrad, Owner, McKnight Development, LLC – Ms. Conrad addressed the Board about the changes to the proposed Sign Ordinance. She wanted a better understanding on the size limitation of 2' x 3' for residential “for sale or lease” signs and felt that commercial businesses have been placed at a competitive disadvantage in comparison with other commercial districts since they are not presently allowed for in the present Sign Code. She requested that the Board reconsider the bill. City Administrator, George Liyeos, stated that the issue was simply a matter of enforcing an existing sign code, which had not been enforced previously on “for sale or lease” signs for commercial property. City Inspector, Neil Cantwell spoke in regard to Section 520.070, Present Sign Code, which states that signs are limited to 6 square feet. He stated that this was the only section relating to present real estate signs, with no direct correlation to commercial signs. Alderman Scherry asked Ms. Conrad to give personal input on her thoughts about the sign ordinance. Alderman Johnson suggested that she also give additional information on how the ordinance will impact her business. Alderwoman Barnard asked if all businesses were privy to notices of public hearings. Finance Director, Don Cary, explained about a study once done by the Planning and Zoning Commission when considering making changes to the ordinance. The Commission tried to get businesses involved, but the plan was unsuccessful.
- 6) **Public Hearings**-NONE
- 7) **Announcements, Presentations, Proclamations, Communications and Invitations:**
 - a) Communication from NOVUS representatives. – NONE PRESENT
- 8) **Old Business** – Alderman DiPlacido suggested the timely updating of the city’s website. Mr. Liyeos stated that he was to blame for that and encouraged the members of the Board to remind him to update the site via e-mail when ever they noticed outdated material.
- 9) **Minutes of Previous Meetings**
 - a) Minutes of the meeting from February 6, 2007
Alderwoman McCann made a motion to approve the minutes from February 6, 2007. The motion was seconded by Alderman Scherry and passed by voice vote.
- 10) **New Business** – NONE
- 11) **Bills and Resolutions:** Pursuant to RSMo. 79.130, all bills and resolutions will be read by "title" only. Copies will be available to the General Public at City Hall during regular office hours.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FIRST READING:

- a) **Bill No. 1695:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO A FIRST AMENDED LEASE WITH CROWN CASTLE GT COMPANY, LLC AND A FIRST AMENDED CELL TOWER GROUND LEASE WITH MARKET AT MCKNIGHT I, LLC.
The first reading of Bill No. 1695 was read by “title” only by City Attorney, Keith Cheung.
- b) **Bill No. 1690:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT OF AN EXISTING CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI FOR THE PROVISIONN OF CODE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES.
The first reading of Bill No. 1690 was read by “title” only by City Attorney, Keith Cheung.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SECOND READING AND/OR ADOPTION:

- c) **Bill No. 1693:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 100.050 OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL MUNICIPAL CODE TO CONFORM TO CHANGES IN UNITED STATES DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME.
Bill No. 1693 was read by “title” only by Mr. Cheung. A motion was made by Alderwoman Barnard to approve the second reading of Bill No. 1693. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman McCann. Mayor Morgan took roll call for votes in favor of the motion: Redmond, DiPlacido, Johnson, Barnard, McCann and Scherry. The motion carried.
- d) **Bill No. 1694:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF ROCK HILL MONEY PURCHASE PENSION PLAN (“PLAN”).
Bill No. 1694 was read by “title” only by Mr. Cheung. A motion was made by Alderman Scherry to accept the second reading of Bill No. 1694. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman McCann and passed by voice vote. Mayor Morgan took roll call for votes in favor of the motion: Redmond, DiPlacido, Johnson, Barnard, McCann and Scherry. The motion carried. Mr. Cary requested that a motion be made to re-affirm the Mayor of Rock Hill as the Trustee. A motion was made by Alderwoman Barnard to approve and seconded by Alderman Johnson and passed by voice vote. Mr. Cary requested that a motion be made to make Wilmington Trust the Paying Agent. A motion was made by Alderwoman Barnard to approve and seconded by Alderwoman McCann and passed by voice vote.
- d) **Bill No. 1681:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF ROCK HILL MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTER 520 SIGN REGULATIONS BY DELETING THE EXISTING PROVISIONS AND ADDING, THERETO, CERTAIN NEW SECTIONS REGARDING SIGNS.
Bill No. 1681 was read by “title” only by Mr. Cheung. A motion was made by Alderman Redmond to table Bill No. 1681 until the next meeting to be held on March 6, 2007. The motion was seconded by Alderman DiPlacido and passed by voice vote.
- e) **Resolution 07-01:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, MISSOURI, RE-APPOINTING HARLEM ANDERSON AND JOSH MANDELL AND APPOINTING

EDIE BARNARD AND TIMOTHY REDMOND TO THE ROCK HILL TAX INCREMENT FINANCE COMMISSION.

Resolution 07-01 was read by “title” only by Mr. Cheung. A motion was made by Alderman Johnson to vote on appointees individually. The motion was seconded by Alderman DiPlacido. The motion failed upon voice vote. Alderwoman McCann made a motion to approve Resolution 07-01 and was seconded by Alderman Scherry. Upon voice vote the motion passed.

- f) **Bill No. 1692: ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, MISSOURI, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH AT&T MISSOURI FOR THE PROVISION OF VIDEO SERVICES IN THE CITY (REVISED AGREEMENT).**

A motion was made by Alderman Scherry to re-consider Bill No. 1692 at the March 6, 2007 meeting and seconded by Alderwoman McCann. Motion passed by voice vote.

12) **Departmental Reports**

- a) Fire - Briefing regarding LAGER’s enrollment letter.

1. Kevin Halloran stated that the approved purchase for the thermal imaging camera was recently used to save a woman’s life in a house fire in the City of Kirkwood.
2. The Police and Fire Department are in agreement in joining LAGER’s at the level designated in their joint letter in order to provide them with a pension plan that they have not have had for over a year while non-uniformed have had.

- b) Police – Briefing regarding LAGER’s enrollment letter.

1. Mr. Liyeos discussed that non-uniform employees are at Level 3 (L3) and Police and Fire suggested to be brought in at Level 7 (L7). Mr. Cary added that the Pension Plan that was terminated last year was too rich for a City the size of Rock Hill and was set up by Mayor Salamone who received an illegal commission for his services for this plan.

- c) Public Works and Parks

1. Al Hayden heard from Municipal Grant Commission and all components from the grant were approved for \$170,000. The contract will be prepared in the next week or two and the department may be able to go out for bids in April. Work will not begin until the fall.
2. The 1st meeting of the Fall Festival Planning Committee will be held on February 21, 2007 at the Park Office.
3. October 7, 2007 is the proposed date set for the Fall Festival parade at 4:00 p.m. All suggestions and ideas are welcome.
4. There has been excessive pothole repair due to the winter storms and rock salt supply has been replenished. Public Works Superintendent, Ron Meyer, has repaired plows and salt spreaders and they are ready to go in the event of more storms. Preparations are now being made for street construction, park maintenance, etc. Public Works is down a man due to surgery.

13) **City Attorney Items - NONE**

14) **Mayor’s Report**

- a) Spring Newsletter – Board articles are due by next meeting, March 6, 2007.

15) **City Administrator’s Report**

- a) Suggested Budget Meeting dates of February 27th and March 13th.
1. Meeting time of 6:30 p.m. was approved.

2. FEMA is reimbursing costs to the City of Rock Hill. Congratulations on a job well done by Public Works Department during storm seasons!

16) Planning and Zoning Report

1. Alderman Redmond stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission did meet this month. Elections were held, re-electing David Lancaster as President and Art Korte as Secretary.

2. Approval was given to Heartland Bank to use a trailer as a temporary workplace until the new site is ready.

3. Mary Wofford commended the Streets Dept. on the great job they have done on the streets.

17) ADJOURN

Alderwoman Barnard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman McCann and carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.