



CITY OF ROCK HILL

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CITY OF ROCK HILL MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008 7:00 P.M.

- 1) Mayor Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) The following members of the Aldermanic Board were in attendance: Mr. Ed Johnson, Ms. Sheri McCann, Mr. Edward Mahan, Ms. Mary Wofford, and Mayor Morgan. Alderman Philip Scherry took the dais at 7:07 p.m. Alderman TJ Redmond was absent.
- 3) **Emergency Items to be added to the Agenda:** None
- 4) **Citizens to Address the Board:** None
- 5) **Announcements, Presentations, Proclamations, Communications and Invitations:**
 - a) Mayor Morgan presented a proclamation to Public Works Superintendent Ron Meyer for rescuing a family trapped in a van during the flood on September 14, 2008.
 - b) The Mayor moved the presentation to the fire department to later in the evening as the firemen to be recognized had to respond to an emergency.
 - c) David Hutkin representing Hutkin/Miller Weingarten summarized a letter delivered to the Board regarding the RPA-2 development. The letter reconfirms Target's commitment to build a store in the city. However, due to the current economic conditions a time extension of 9 months has been requested. Mr. Hutkin explained that as he had just received the letter he would be formulating a revised construction schedule and would share that with the Board at a later date. The Board asked about property acquisition. Mr. Hutkin explained that they will continue to meet and negotiate with all property owners within RPA-2. He informed the Board that about 88 of 110 residential properties are either under contract or are price agreed.
- 6) **Old Business:** None
- 7) **Minutes of Previous Meetings:** Alderwoman McCann moved to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2008 meeting. Alderwoman Wofford seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.
- 8) **Treasurer's Report:** Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Ann Robertson summarized the November Warrant. She explained the check to the Recorder of Deeds for the lease for the Fairfax House. Also the check to Dell for a new computer for the Building Inspector whose computer died. The amount will be covered within the Housing Budget. Alderwoman McCann moved and Alderman Johnson seconded a motion to pay the bills for November. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.
- 9) **New Business:** None
- 10) **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: None

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SECOND READING AND OR ADOPTION: None

11) Departmental Reports

Fire Department: Cpt. Kevin Halloran reported the following:

- The firefighters are continuing training.
- Equipment maintenance and inventory continues.
- The department provided Thanksgiving dinner for the police officers working on Thanksgiving Day.

Police Department: City Administrator George Liyeos reported the following:

- Cpt. Arnett's health is improving and he hopes to back on a part time basis later this week.
- The Mayor commented that a resident had mentioned that the weekly crime reports listed in the Webster Kirkwood Times had not been up to par since Cpt. Arnett's absence.

Parks Department: Parks Director Al Hayden reported the following:

- Breakfast with Santa will be held on Saturday at Hudson School.
- The Holiday Bazaar at the Fairfax House is also Saturday.
- The city is accepting entrants for the Holiday Lighting Contest.
- The park survey results are in. A joint meeting between the Park Board and the Board of Alderman has been tentatively scheduled for February 3, 2009.

Public Works Department: Public Works Superintendent Ron Meyer reported the following:

- Pothole and asphalt patch repairs continue throughout the city, weather permitting.
- Park maintenance continues.
- The equipment and trucks are prepared for winter.
- The department will be cleaning leaves from the curb line.
- The curb line on the east side O'Day Ave. should be poured this week weather permitting.
- The Mayor relayed a compliment from a resident about the department.

- 12) City Attorney's Report:** City Attorney Ken Heinz reported that he recently attended the St. Louis County Municipal League Legislative Breakfast. The League's legislative priorities this year include supporting green building practices and opposing predatory lending and pay day loans. He encouraged the Board members to contact the legislators to express their opinions regarding these issues.
- 13) Mayor's Report:** Mayor Morgan updated the Board regarding the HERO program and read a letter from Janet Hanewinkle, the program coordinator. Eight residents were able to have improvements to their home through the HERO program.

Alderwoman McCann moved and Philip Scherry seconded a motion to cancel the December 16th meeting. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

The Mayor announced that the Ward II meeting scheduled for Thursday had been cancelled.

The Mayor congratulated Alderman Scherry and Alderman Redmond the birth of a son and daughter, respectively. Lastly, the Mayor wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a Happy New Year.

- 14) City Administrator's Report:** City Administrator George Liyeos reported that the Planning and Zoning agenda for December included a discussion about predatory lending. He also announced that the cell tower in the Market at McKnight had been moved.

At 7:28 p.m. the Mayor returned to the Announcements, Presentations, Communications and Invitations portion of the agenda as the firemen had returned.

15) Announcements, Presentations, Proclamations, Communications and Invitations:

- a) Mayor Morgan presented a plaque to Frank Gaines for allowing the fire department to borrow his boat to rescue a Rock Hill resident during the flood on September 14, 2008. The Mayor presented a plaque to Glendale Firemen Lt. Matt Cash, Lt. Brad Kauffeld, and F.F. Keith Schilling for their assistance in the rescue. She also presented a plaque to Rock Hill Firemen Paul Kordik, Nathan Kiehm, and Dan Dexter for the swift water rescue of the resident. Lastly, Medals of Bravery were presented to Glendale Lt. Brad Kauffeld, Rock Hill F.F. Rob Judd, Rock Hill F.F. Paul Kordik, Rock Hill F.F. Nathan Kiehm and Rock Hill Fire Chief Kevin Halloran for actions above and beyond the call of duty on September 14, 2008.

16) Citizens to Address the Board:

Maryann Musial, 801 Leonard Dr.: Ms. Musial reported that the water main break on Rock Hill Road had been fixed but that the street needed to be restriped. She expressed her opinion that the Comprehensive Plan needed to be reopened as it had not been updated since 2003. She noted that recent commercial developments had not been included in the Comprehensive Plan. She stated that neighborhoods should be left alone and area zoned commercial should be developed.

Geoff George, 1337 McKinley Ave.: Mr. George stated that his Christmas light display is up. He is collecting canned goods and donations to Backstoppers this year. He hopes to collect 2500 canned goods and \$1500 in donations. He is hosting a community party at his residence on Saturday, December 13, 2008. All are invited to attend.

- 17) Alderwoman McCann moved and Alderwoman Wofford seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.**

Mayor Julie Morgan

Attested to:

Jennifer Yackley, City Clerk