

MARCH 25, 2003

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

1. 1. 5:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Reverend Warren Scott led all in the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

3. 3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Present to-wit: Mayor Philip B. Harrison, Aldermen David Ottmer, Michael S. "Mike" Mueller, O. William "Bill" Schmidt and Wayne Browning; thereby a quorum was established. Also present was City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts, City Attorney Charley Smith, and City Secretary Susan Rosinski. Alderman James A. "Jim" Bishop was absent due to illness.

4. 4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Browning, seconded by Alderman Schmidt to adopt the agenda as presented with the exception that the addenda item follow agenda item number five. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Smith reported the contract for disbursement of economic development funds has been approved by the Bellville Economic Development Corporation Board and executed by a representative of the Bellville Heritage Gathering. Attorney Smith added that the City was named in the contract because the City would be named as an additional insured in the insurance policy (A++ rated company) for liquor and general liability. Alderman Schmidt asked for the limits of insurance and Attorney Smith responded that the limits were \$1,000,000. per incident and \$2,000,000. aggregate.

Alderman Schmidt announced that the noon whistle would be installed this week or next week. It will be erected behind City Hall and will automatically go off at noon (Monday – Friday). There will also be a button placed at the Sheriff’s Department to be used in case of emergencies.

5. 5. CONSIDERATION OF MARQUEE SIGN PROJECT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mayor Harrison informed Council that that city had been approached with the idea of sharing in the cost with Lower Colorado River Authority and San Bernard Electric Cooperative for a public information marquee to be placed on the building at San Bernard Electric and operated by the Chamber of Commerce. After discussion, the consensus of council was to have Administrator Roberts contact Bruce Miller with San Bernard Electric and ask that inquiries be made to place a two-sided marquee at San Bernard Electric Coop possibly at a site that would not be hazardous to motorist viewing the marquee.

ADDENDUM

CONSIDERATION OF ANIMAL CONTROL AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

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Superintendent Frankie Hoppe and Lieutenant David Blakey appeared before Council to discuss animal control problems, which included the lack of an Animal Control officer. Lt. Blakey informed Council at this time the police department and city hall are receiving numerous calls on animals at large and that he (Bellville Police Department) and Superintendent Hoppe (Street Department) were sharing in the duties of animal control.

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Lt. Blakey reported to Council that they have an officer on staff that had worked with animal control in a previous city and he had expressed interest in animal control. Blakey was concerned that persons dealing with animals at large calls now were not immunized against rabies and were not certified as an animal control officer.

After discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Schmidt, seconded by Alderman Ottmer to approach the officer that expressed interest in the position, enroll him in a certification program if the position is accepted, and employ another peace officer to supplement the staff. Motion carried unanimously. Also included in the motion was to equipment the vehicle used by the animal control officer with a police radio and light bar.

The animal control officer would be a certified peace officer that would perform duties as a patrolman as necessary as well as animal control officer.

6. OPEN SESSION ADJOURNED

Open Session adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER SECTION 551.074 TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL; OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION NECESSARY

Executive Session convened at 6:13 p.m.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION AJOURNED

Executive Session adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

9. OPEN SESSION RE-CONVENED

Open Session re-convened at 7:40 p.m.

10. CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL; OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

No action taken.

11. 11. ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Alderman Schmidt, seconded by Alderman Browning to adjourn at 7:41 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Regular Meeting

Date: April 15, 2003

AGENDA ITEM # _____

To: Mayor and Council

From: Lynn

It is time to appoint members to the Sens Activity Center Board. The following members terms have expired.

Patsy Faken

Ruby Koehn

Jim Grounds

Grace Bruce

Leroy Grebe

Patsy Faken, Ruby Koehn and Jim Grounds wish to be considered for re-appointment.

Leroy Grebe does not wish to be re-appointed and Elizabeth Remmert wishes to be considered for this appointment. Grace Bruce previously resigned and we will have a name for your consideration by the meeting date.

The appointments will be April 15, 2003 – April 14, 2005.