

**O'FALLON CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
February 17, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Gary Graham who led the Council in "The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag."

Philip Goodwin, City Clerk, called the roll: Nila Grogan, excused; Mary Schmidt, present; Ed True, excused; Dan Polites, present; Rick Reckamp, present; Jerry Mouser, present; John Drolet, present; Allen Medford, present; Michael Bennett, present; Dennis Renner, present; Steve Engler, present; Ned Drolet, present; John West, present; Jerry Albrecht, present. A quorum was declared present.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by J. West to approve the minutes of February 2, 2009. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Graham opened the public hearing for the Annexation Agreement with Robert and Amy Warren for property located at 11235 & 11239 Country Village Place, Lebanon, 2.24 acres total at 7:06 p.m. He called three times for public input, but no one came forward. The hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m.

Mayor Graham announced that a couple of Boy Scouts (Troop 78) were in attendance to work on their merit badges.

RESIDENTS: No one came forward.

REPORTS:

Clerk's Report: City Clerk Philip Goodwin read a request from the O'Fallon Rotary Club to sell alcohol at the Katy Cavins Community Center on March 7, 2009 for the Southern Illinois Police Chief's Association fundraiser and he read a request from the Knights of Columbus, Council 592, to conduct a raffle for a quilt from February 17 – June 27, 2009. Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by D. Renner to approve the requests. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Graham announced that this month's Southwestern Illinois Council of Mayors will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2009 at the Hotel Collinsville. Please RSVP to Jamie no later than Friday, February 20, 2009. Someone from the State Parks Systems will be speaking.

RESOLUTIONS:

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by D. Renner to approve Items 1, 2, and 4 under the Omnibus Agreement. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Graham read the following resolutions:

Item 1 – A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an annexation agreement with Robert and Amy Warren for 11235 & 11239 Country Village Place

Item 2 - A Resolution Approving and Accepting a Subdivision of Land to be known as the Minor Subdivision of Country Village Commons

ITEM 4 – Resolution Implementing a Residential Property Sump Drain Extensions and Stormwater Facilities Program

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by S. Engler to approve Items 1, 2, and 4 under the previous Omnibus Agreement.

ROLL CALL: Schmidt, aye; Polites, aye; Mouser, aye; Reckamp, aye; Medford, aye; J. Drolet, aye; N. Drolet, aye; Engler, aye; Renner, aye; Bennett, aye; West, aye; Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by J. Albrecht to approve Item 3 – A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept the roadway infrastructure in Crown Pointe Subdivision for City maintenance upon remediation of the stormwater system problem at 1680 Lancaster.

S. Engler said he is unable to support. He voiced his concern about stormwater problems in this area. He stated that the subdivision was not held to the same standards because it was a gated community. He thinks the problem area should be fixed before we consider accepting the infrastructure. He does not want to incur any liability to the City. He is concerned that it may incur problems further down the system.

D. Sullivan replied that the Homeowners' Association has had the drain scoped with a camera. Friederich Services did the inspection, which we have used for camera inspections. It looked good, with the exception of the line at 1680 Lancaster. All the right-of-way areas appear to be clear. It is as good as any other subdivision in the City. We did inspect the streets, which passed. We did not inspect the sewer system.

J. West said that this issue has been going on for over two years and they have agreed not to have a gate, as well as agreeing to everything the City has asked them to do.

Mayor Graham reassured S. Engler that we would not take it in until it was repaired. The homeowners pay City taxes. They have found snow removal to be difficult to get done.

M. Bennett mentioned that they wanted to be gated and private. He had questions about the design and that they have no connectivity. T. Shekell replied that the engineering design was consistent with the City code. To the west there are already houses; to the south, the Brown farm abuts; to the east is a major riparian area, so it is physically isolated.

Mayor Graham said we have done numerous repairs throughout the City. He stated that they are willing to put up a bond, and he will try to get that within the next two weeks.

ROLL CALL: Schmidt, aye; Polites, aye; Mouser, aye; Reckamp, aye; Medford, aye; J. Drolet, aye; N. Drolet, aye; Engler, no; Renner, no; Bennett, no; West, aye; Albrecht, aye. Ayes – 9; Nays - 3. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES:

1st Readings

Motion was made by J. West and seconded by R. Reckamp to approve on 1st Reading Item 5, an Ordinance approving the of volume cap in connection with private activity bond issues, and related matters.

ROLL CALL: Schmidt, aye; Polites, aye; Mouser, aye; Reckamp, aye; Medford, aye; J. Drolet, aye; N. Drolet, aye; Engler, aye; Renner, aye; Bennett, aye; West, aye; Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by J. West to approve on 1st Reading Item 6, an Ordinance amending Ord. 623, Zoning, regarding Zion Temple Baptist Church.

D. Renner asked if noise issues had been addressed. T. Shekell said that the building is masonry. The two windows in the back will be blocked off. It should have very little noise. We will also require a statement from the design engineer about noise. Mr. Nettlemeier will certify a letter to us.

M. Bennett voiced his concern about parking issues. T. Shekell replied that it should not be a concern. They have to abide by occupancy restrictions.

ROLL CALL: Schmidt, aye; Polites, aye; Mouser, aye; Reckamp, aye; Medford, aye; J. Drolet, aye; N. Drolet, aye; Engler, aye; Renner, aye; Bennett, aye; West, aye; Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by A. Medford and seconded by J. West to send Item 7, an Ordinance amending Chapter 78, Snow Routes, regarding Oxford Hill Road back to committee. All Ayes. Motion carried.

D. Sullivan added that we have an Ordinance that designates snow routes. We normally amend it with additions of subdivisions.

Mayor Graham welcomed the Mayor of Chesterfield to our meeting.

2nd Readings

Mayor Graham stated that the following ordinances are on hold. He still wanted clarifications in regards to improvements on the trailers during the transition. There were no provisions of when they give notice, and when they would get their relocation package. J. West thanked the Mayor and staff for noticing potential issues.

ITEM 8 - Amending Ord. 623, Development known as Rock Springs Townhome Apartments

ITEM 9 - Ord. Amending the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map

He also mentioned that the remaining ordinances are on hold:

Ord. Annexing Certain Territory, RP South, LLC containing approximately 36.14 Acres

Ord. Amending Ord. 623, Zoning, PUD Regency Park Corporate Campus

Ord. Approving the Tax Increment Redevelopment Plan and Project for the Regency Park TIF Redevelopment Project Area

Ord. Designating the Regency Park TIF Redevelopment Project Area

Ord. Adopting Tax Increment Financing for the Regency Park TIF Redevelopment Project Area

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Community Development: J. Mouser stated that the committee met on February 9th and had two motions.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by R. Reckamp to approve the Special Event Permit application from OTHS Sports Medicine Club to hold a 1st Annual 5K Run/Walk. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by D. Renner to voice support for the 2010 O'Fallon H.O.G. Rally proposal for Frieze Harley-Davidson to host the 2010 Illinois State event. All ayes. Motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting will be February 23rd at 6:00 p.m.

Public Works: A. Medford stated that the next meeting is scheduled for February 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

Public Safety: M. Schmidt stated that they met on February 9th and the minutes were in the packet. The next meeting is scheduled for March 9th at 7:00 p.m.

Finance/Administration: J. West said that the finance committee met before the Council meeting to discuss Warrant #178.

Motion was made by J. West and seconded by R. Reckamp to pay Warrant #178 in the amount of \$908,470.07.

ROLL CALL: Schmidt, aye; Polites, aye; Mouser, aye; Reckamp, aye; Medford, aye; J. Drolet, aye; N. Drolet, aye; Engler, aye; Renner, aye; Bennett, aye; West, aye; Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

J. West stated that the next meeting is scheduled for February 23rd at 5:30 p.m.

Parks and Environment: J. Albrecht said that the next committee meeting is scheduled for the second Monday in March. They will talk about the budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by D. Renner and seconded by J. Mouser to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Submitted by,

Philip A. Goodwin
City Clerk

Minutes taken by
Maryanne Fair, Deputy City Clerk
Proper notice having been duly given