

Regular Board Meeting April 4, 2005

The Parsons City Council met for its regular monthly meeting, Monday, April 4, 2005 at 7:00 P.M. at the city meeting room. Mayor Tim Boaz called the meeting to order Roll Call:

Present	Absent
Bonnie Butler	Betty Bell
Mark Davis	Joseph Fisher
Harold Fisher	
Bobby Rainey	
Joe Don White	

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and the Special Called meeting and to approve them as handed out by, Bonnie Butler, Second by Mark Davis. Vote: All Ayes

Motion to approve financial statements for February 2005 by Mark Davis, Second by Bobby Rainey Vote: All Ayes.

Community Forum: none

Communications from Mayor:

Progress report on Municipal Bldg. Mayor stated that we are looking at September for the completion of the Municipal building. At this time everything is on schedule.

Fire protection water lines have been completed on 9th street and North. The City of Parsons and Decatur County put in the matching funds of \$85,000.00 each along with a FIDP Grant to get this project completed. This means that industries now can install a better sprinkler system in their buildings so that their insurance can go down. We are also working on lower the City's ISO rating so that insurance rates will be cheaper.

Status on Raw Water Line: A pre-construction conference with ECD and Rural Farmers Home was held last Wednesday with each one going over the funding for this project. Berry French, President with Enviroworks, Inc. from Clifton, Tenn got the bid for the raw water intake pipeline contract. They have stated that they will need to hire operators and labors for this job. Graves and Graves Construction got the bid for raw water intake structure and controls contract. Hopefully this will give jobs to local residents and help with the unemployment rate.

Jeremy Percy and Jonathan Percy concrete plant is underway. This plant should be in operation shortly.

Woodland Shores Area Gas line- we have 35 gas taps in this area as of Friday. We are looking at running gas lines to these residents. We hope to get as many as 71 or more

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Customers. Then we will be look at to see if it follows the City of Parsons guidelines set on running new gas mains.

Reports from Committees;

Bonnie Butler reported on the Downtown Project or sidewalk project. She state that on March 21st that the committee to select an artichitect and engineering firm met. Jennifer Glass with Southwest Development District handed out blank Consultant Selection Evaluation Sheets to committee members along with booklets that contain statement of qualifications from Hart Freeland Roberts located at 7101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 300, Brentwood, Tenn. 37204, and TLM Associates, Inc located at 117 East Lafayette Street, Jackson, Tenn. 38301. These two firms were the only ones to submit proposals. Committee member took this information home with them to make sure that they did each evaluation thoroughly. They did not discuss these firms at this time in other to evaluate them fairly. Evaluation sheets were tabulated and after they were handed in committee members than when over their evaluation sheets and discussed the evaluation factors, and why they had rank that particular engineering firm that way. Things that where consider where performance and time to complete projects. After all of this was completed TLM Associates were chosen as they had the higher points. Jennifer will notify them and then they will do a proposal on the project.

Old Business.

1. Regulation of Flea Market in a B-1 District
No action taken at this time.
2. Discussion on Sewer Project-Bledsoe Area
This area was annexed approximately 15 years along. Residents were promise that sewer would be run to them within a reasonable amount of time. We contacted Conner Franklin with Department of Environment and Conservation who contacted Vaughn Duncan with the Decatur County Health Department who did a sewer survey in this area 25 fail out of 26. If anyone has any ideals or opinions on how we need to address this let us know. We can try to get a grant or a loan from Rural Farmers Home Loan. We will discuss this further at another meeting.
3. Update on Regional Airport- Mayor Boaz stated that he has sent a proposal to Danny Azbill on supplying natural gas service to the Regional Airport. There will be a meeting Thursday Night, at 6:00 p.m. at Farmers Bank concerning this. Lexington has made two proposals on this utility. Parsons Natural gas is there at the Airport, and we feel that we should supply the gas to these facility.

Motion to adjourn by Mark Davis. Second by Joe Don White Vote: All Ayes.

Tim David Boaz, Mayor

Judy Daugherty, City Recorder