

Regular Board Meeting, January 9,2006

The Parsons City Council met for its regular monthly meeting, Monday, January 9, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. at the city meeting room. Mayor Tim Boaz called the meeting to order. Roll Call:

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

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and to approve as handed out by, Joe Don White, Second by Betty Bell Vote: All Ayes

Motion to approve financial statements for November 2005 by Mark Davis, Second by Joe Don White. Vote: All Ayes.

**Presentations:** none

**Community Forum:** no one

**Communications from Mayor:** The Mayor gave a presentations on: Economic and Developments Goals, Financial Summary of the City of Parsons financial condition, status of City's personnel, grant summary, community programs summary, acquisition of electric system study. Phase I of electric study is as follows: It can become a Legal Department of the City of Parsons, with its own name and operate as a department of the City government. The system acquired should serve all of Decatur County. Alternate Plan: LES Board would contract with Parsons, Decaturville, and Decatur County, reestablished a business/operation office in Parsons, and identify system improvements in Decatur County and establish timetables for completion. Petition TVA Board because of lack of adequate and poor service and failure to invest excess funds for improvements in this area. Legal Action would be the next possible step.

21 st Century Education Initial- Mr. Jim Ayers has agreed to put 1/3of the funding into a satellite College here. Representatives from U T Martin will be at the February Chamber meeting. Pledges to support the college would be Mr. Ayes 1/3, private donation 1/3 , and 1/3 for governments. (City of Parsons 1/6, Decatur County 1/6). Approximately cost is around \$500,000.00 to the City and County of the estimate cost to build around a \$3 million dollar project. Surveys forms will be send out for input on this project. Dr. Michael Price will to this thru the schools, and the education commission thru the Chamber will also be working on this.

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Motion to pledge the City of Parsons support to higher education and funding by Joseph Fisher, Second by Betty Bell, Vote: All Ayes. (City Attorney Edwin Townsend, Jr. stated that the Council would need to come back and do an Ordinance later because the City Charter stated that to appropriate of funds had to be done by Ordinance.)

.Report from Committees: none

**Old Business:**

**1:** Decatur County Welcome Center, Since no one was present to represent this project no action was taken by City Board.

New Business:

1. New Franchise Agreement with Charter Cable. No action. Board members wish to preview agreement, and to discuss at next meeting.
2. Mayor Boaz stated the Decatur County Election Office had requested use of the extra facilities to hold the election for the 8<sup>th</sup> district: dates will be June 1<sup>st</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, and on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Motion to allow the election office to use building by Harold Fisher. Second by Betty Bell. Vote: All Ayes.
3. Ordinance 239 –An Ordinance to amend the City of Parsons Zoning Map to Rezone Parcels of Land on Sixth and Seventh Street from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to B-1 (General Business) Motion to pass this ordinance on 1<sup>st</sup> reading by Betty Bell Second by Joseph Fisher, Vote: All Ayes

Motion to adjourn by Bobby Rainey Second by Betty Bell. Vote: All Ayes.

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Tim David Boaz. Mayor

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Judy Daugherty, City Recorder