

Regular Board Meeting, July 7, 2008

The Parsons City Council met for its regular monthly meeting, Monday, July 7, 2008 at 7:00 p .m. at the City meeting room. Mayor Tim David Boaz called the meeting to order.

Roll Call:

Present

Harold Fisher

Dwight Lancaster

Joe Don White

Mark Davis

Joseph Fisher

Absent

Dale Reynolds

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 Mark Davis

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to approve financial statements May 2008 by, Mark Davis, Second by Joe Don White Vote: All Ayes.

Presentations:

Reports from Council: Joe Don White came before the board, and stated that he had a meeting with County Mayor Jason Scott. The County has a TEA Grant, which has been discussed by the County Commissioners to be used for sidewalks at the new UT Martin Parsons Center College that is in the process of construction on Tennessee Ave North in Parsons. The County is not in the position to match the funds. If the City of Parsons could match the funds this still possibly could be done. This grant would not only cover the college sidewalks, but sidewalks for the North side of the City to Tennessee Ave South, and tie into the existing sidewalks. He stated that he wanted to put it out to be discussed with the budget committee because City of Parsons would be out the matching funds. Mayor stated that this could be broken down over several years. He stated that we should be able to budget it in without hurting anyone. It also could be done in phases. Mayor also stated that is why you have public hearing for to get public in-put, and anyone interested needs to come to these meetings, and not wait to the last meeting to attend after it has already been decided.

Community Forum:

Old Business:

I: Second Reading on Ordinance No: 287 An Ordinance to amend Section No. 2 of the Community Life Advisory Council. Related Sub-Councils and “ Team Parsons” Motion by Mark Davis to pass this ordinance on second reading Second by Joseph Fisher. Vote: All Ayes (This is to amend this ordinance to create a vehicle to include the Parsons Cemetery, and the Parsons Memorial Gardens to consolidated under one entity so that the city can manage it, and

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see that it is taken care of.) (All the donation funds will be audited thru the City of Parsons, and we should be able to file for grants.)

II: Second Reading on Ordinance No: 288- an ordinance enacting a Municipal Tree Ordinance regulating the planting, maintenance, and removal of trees, shrubs, and other plant, and the creation, administration and powers of the City of Parsons Beautification and Conservation Council also know as the Tree Board. Motion to approve this ordinance on Second reading by Joe Don White Second by Mark Davis. Vote: All Ayes.

III: Second Reading on Ordinance No. 289 Entitled an Ordinance 289 An Ordinance to amend the City of Parsons Zoning Map to zone property located on highway 69 and Kentucky Avenue B-1 (General Business) this is at the request of Mrs. Valera Milam from R-1 to B-1 located at 302 Tennessee Ave South. Motion to pass this ordinance on second reading by Dwight Lancaster, Second by Harold Fisher Vote: All Ayes

New Business:

**I: First Reading on Ordinance No: 290 An ordinance amending Section 8-101 of title 8 of the code of the City of Parsons. Motion by Joe Don White to pass this ordinance on first reading Second by Mark Davis (this ordinance determines who will be on the beer board with the Mayor appointing members upon Council approval)
Vote: Joe Don White-Aye, Mark Davis-Aye, Joseph Fisher –Pass, Harold Fisher- Pass, Dwight Lancaster –Aye Attorney Edwin Townsend Jr. asked did one of the passes want to change their vote to Aye, so could get off the beer broad. Then Harold Fisher change his vote to Aye. Motion passed on first reading.**

Interview of candidates seeking the position of council member due to a vacancy on the board by council members. Applying for Council member: Carolyn Giles, Bobby Rainey, and Roy Hall. Joel Giles came to council since his wife was at home recovering from surgery. Vote on new council member will be at the August meeting.

II: Resolution No: 07-07-2008-02 Entitled: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept surplus equipment of five units of 5- horsepower aqua-Jet floating aerators from the City of Lakeland without any charge. Motion by Mark Davis Second by Harold Fisher to approve this resolution Vote: All Ayes

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III: First reading on Ordinance No: 291 Appropriating funds for the Budget 2008-2009 fiscal year, a to set tax rate. Motion to pass this ordinance on first reading by Joe Don White. Second by Dwight Lancaster Vote: Joe Don White-Aye, Mark Davis-Aye, Harold Fisher-Aye, Joseph Fisher-Aye,

IV: Resolution No: 07-07-2008-01 Entitled A Resolution authorizing the City of Parsons to participate in the TML “Safety Partners” Loss control Matching Grant Program. Motion to pass the resolution by Mark Davis Second by Harold Fisher Vote: All Ayes

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

Tim David Boaz, Mayor

Judy Daugherty