MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 9, 2009

Invocation was given by Commissioner William C. Hudson

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Tom Meeks, Commissioners - Jack Emmons, Norman Brunson, C. Michael Witters and William C. Hudson

Also Present: City Clerk Rudy Witsman, City Attorney Tom Price, City Inspector Mike Gidcumb and Community Development Director Courtney Cooper

Absent: None

MAYORS COMMENTS

Mayor Tom Meeks brought the city council meeting to order.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Chief of Police Jeff Besing informed city council that the City of Albion has joined forces with Mt. Carmel on the drug task force program and donated \$2,000 and also received a \$2,000 donation from the Edwards County Sheriff's Office. A meeting has been scheduled this month with West Salem Village to see if they will join the drug task force program also.

Robert Cusick of Neikirk Engineering told city council that only one bid from Kieffer Brothers Construction was received during a bid-letting for the Empire Street project. Bid opening was held February 2nd and Kieffer Bros. proposal came in under the estimates for the project. Bids for the road and water lines came in about 2% under estimate and the proposal for sanitary sewer construction was 27% below the estimate. City Comptroller Mick Mollenhauer will be attending next city council meeting to outline the costs and how the bills will be paid to complete the new section of roadway, before any bid approval will be made.

COMINISSIONER REPORTS:	
COMMISSIONER JACK EMMONS - FINA	ANCE AND SENIOR CITIZENS 01/26/09 - 02/09/09
Cash Investment Balance as of 02/09/09:	\$435,559.79
Receipts:	76,780.12
Expenditures:	92,285.13
Cash Investment Balance 01/26/09:	420,054.78
Recreation Fund:	27,890.24
Receipts:	0.00
Expenditures:	3,568.94
Balance:	24,321.30
Accounts Payable:	97.45
Garbage Fund Account Beginning Balance:	165,530.05
Receipts:	19,795.80
Expenditures:	1,800.31
Balance:	183,525.54
Accounts Payable:	28,082.24
Airport Fund:	(43,490.71)
Receipts:	3,855.38
Expenditures:	2,810.75
Balance:	(42,446.08)
Accounts Receivable:	1,685.44
Accounts Payable:	2,182.32
Water Fund Account Beginning Balance:	(45,978.78)
Receipts:	40,315.60
Expenditures:	30,166.36
Balance:	(35,829.54)
Accounts Payable:	21,442.06
Sewer Fund Account:	(20,215.09)
Receipts:	24,884.37
Expenditures:	18,171.54
Balance:	(13,502.26)
Accounts Payable:	11,258.73

Golf Course Fund: Receipts: Expenditures: Balance: Accounts Payable: (362,493.73) 4,412.00 8,240.45 (366,322.18) 4,060.72

COMMISSIONER MIKE WITTERS – STREETS, CEMETERIES AND PARKS

Commissioner Witters reported that the Street Department has been busy with the ice and snow and has spent approximately \$6,000 on salt. The City will be allowed to buy only one more truck load (22 tons) of salt from our supplier this winter.

<u>COMMISSIONER NORMAN BRUNSON – FIRE, HEALTH & SAFETY, GARBAGE, CITY HALL</u> <u>AND CIVIL DEFENSE</u>

Commissioner Brunson reported that the Mt. Carmel Fire Department responded to 6 runs in the past two weeks. One of which was CC Kids Stop & Hadley's Café, in which 8 Fire Departments were there on the scene and approximately 100 firemen.

COMMISSIONER BILL HUDSON - WATER AND SEWER

Commissioner Hudson reported that Water plant personnel handled the fire on Market Street very well. Immediately upon notification of the fire, two high service pumps and all three wells were turned on. During the course of the fire 400,000 to 500,000 gallons of water was delivered at a high pressure to the location of the fire.

Administrative Assistant Rudy Witsman

City Clerk Rudy Witsman informed city council that bids are being taken until 4:00 pm Thursday, February 12th for the Cemetery Maintenance Contract. A couple of requests have been received, one from Casey's and the other from Jumpin Jimmy's asking for the possibility of selling beer and wine through their stores. They have been informed at this time there are no intentions of increasing the licenses and all licenses have been issued. As of today, a deed has been received for the Walter's property and a bid will be prepared for the demolition of it.

City Attorney Tom Price

No report given.

City Inspector Mike Gidcumb

City Inspector Mike Gidcumb told city council that he has contacted the insurance company of 414 Market Street and informed them that it is required that they put up a fence around the entrance of the burnt building. Mr. Gidcumb gave councilmen a summary of collections over the past year in fees, with a total of \$36,163.

Community Development Director Courtney Cooper

Ms. Cooper told city council there will be a FEMA (map modernization) meeting at City Hall at 9:30 A.M. on February 18th. The public is welcome to the meeting.

BUSINESS MOTIONS

A motion was made by Commissioner Brunson and seconded by Commissioner Hudson to pay the bills. All present voted Aye.

A motion was made by Commissioner Brunson and seconded by Commissioner Hudson to accept the Minutes from the last regular meeting of the City Council January 26, 2009. All present voted Aye.

Meeting was adjourned.

Mayor ATTEST:

City Clerk