

**CITY OF BATTLEFIELD
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
MAY 1, 2012**

Item 1 Call to order

Mayor Kruse called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in Battlefield City Hall. The following Board members were present: Debra Hickey, Charles Yates, Shawn Billings, Mike Goldenberg, Carolyn Poole, and Stephen Esterline. Alderman Absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Rick Hess, City Clerk Beth Anne West, City Attorney Jim Kelly, and Chief of Police David Vallely.

Item 2 Ceremonial matters

The invocation was led by Mayor Aaron Kruse. Alderman Debra Hickey led the pledge of Allegiance.

Item 3 Announcements

Mayor Kruse mentioned the Springfield Regional Economic Partnership (SREP) meeting that would be held on June 1, 2012 at the Bass Pro Shops the White River Room from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and if any of the Board of Alderman would like to attend they would need to contact the City Clerk.

Item 4 Mayor Updates

Mayor Kruse explained he and the City Clerk attended training today regarding Human Resources information; specifically the posters that are required to be posted and to make sure staff are fairly compensated regarding both exempt and non-exempt workers. Mayor Kruse noted he felt the personnel manual needed updating to cover this issue along with the potential for issues like Maternity Leave, etc.

Item 5 City Administrator updates

City Administrator Rick Hess explained Steve Reith, a local realtor is working for Mr. Kelly Burk to fill the Strip Center Mr. Burk owns that will take 4 of the 7 bays in the Strip Mall. Mr. Hess noted the engineering drawings should be submitted to the City soon and a possible restaurant may also locate in the Strip Mall too. Mr. Hess stated the preparations for the July 4th event have begun and almost all the contracts are complete but the band would need to be chosen soon and the final layout has yet to be set for all the vendors. Mr. Hess noted the Annual City-Wide Garage Sale is set for Friday, June 8th, 2012, and Saturday June 9th, 2012. Mr. Hess noted that June 16th was the only day that everyone could meet for Strategic Planning, so he would begin setting up a lunch meeting.

Alderman Esterline stated he was aware the Chamber of Commerce would be dissolving in the near future due to inactivity at this time and wanted to make sure the Board knew of this information.

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Item 6 Fire Chief updates

Fire Battalion Chief Thomas Dickey noted he started with the district in 2008 and had 110 calls a month this April they had 217 a month which is 7 calls a shift, with the majority being EMS based. Mr. Dickey stated the district was working with the school before they go on summer break then in the fall, they would ramp back up to promote their programs with the students in October. Mr. Dickey stated they were working on their Strategic Planning to include the additional revenue from the newly approved sales tax and their plans are in three, five, and fifteen year increments.

Chief Valley asked to address the Board to provide an update. Chief Valley stated that Officer Sweaney would be receiving her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration this Friday from Evangel. Chief Valley noted that this Saturday would be Officer Armstrong's 1st year Anniversary and he would be beginning the Springfield Major Crime School in May. Chief Valley noted that about a day after the sales tax was approved he had already received three officer resumes, but it would likely be the end of the year before the City could consider hiring any new personnel in the Police Department. Chief Valley wanted the Board to be aware the Police Department has EMA procedures in place and even an emergency kit for each officer. Chief Valley noted that many of the officers take their vehicles home, which would assist the City if an event occurs because it would give them more of an opportunity to make it to the various sites and that he is backup for the officers, if they cannot make it to the City. Chief Valley stated the City would also rely on Greene County after 5-8 hours within a disaster. Chief Valley stated they have a list of volunteers who can assist in disaster situations where they can team up with the City officers. Chief Valley stated that Sergeant Armstrong would be recommended for a \$0.25 cent raise. Alderman Debra Hickey asked if the fatality wreck that occurred recently happened inside or outside of the City. Chief Valley noted outside the City in the County.

Alderman Shawn Billings asked if the Chief was aware of a local business that had opened near McDonald's that seemed to be selling items similar to K2 and other designer stimulants and synthetics, plus items used for consuming other drugs at this establishment. Chief Valley noted he could not comment about the location at this time, but officers have reviewed the store.

Item 7 Adoption and approval of Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Alderman Shawn Billings to adopt and approve the consent Agenda items a-d including: April 17, 2012 regular session meeting minutes; Bills to pay in the amount of \$49,984.45; Bills paid in the amount of \$18,185.75; and Committee and employee reports. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mike Goldenberg. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was 6 Ayes-Stephen Esterline, Carolyn Poole, Mike Goldenberg, Shawn Billings, Charles Yates, and Debra Hickey. 0 Nays. All Board members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

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Item 8 Public Input

None.

Item 9 a Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Property Line Fencing for Lift Station H.

City Administrator Rick Hess noted he reinvestigated the area and recommended not to approve the fencing for the site. Mr. Hess stated the issue could be revisited in the future if necessary.

Item 9 b Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Company to do Camera Work & Repairs to Sewer Lines as Necessary.

City Administrator Rick Hess stated that each company was contacted to try to get each to bid in the same manner and none of them were willing to bid it the other way. Discussion followed on how to determine the best bid received and which company to choose to do the work. Motion was made by Alderman Shawn Billings to approve VSI & C to do camera work within the City of Battlefield for \$1.60 per foot including jetting out the sewer lines. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stephen Esterline. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was 5 Ayes-Charles Yates, Shawn Billings, Mike Goldenberg, Carolyn Poole, and Stephen Esterline. 1 Nay-Debra Hickey. All Board members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Motion was made by Alderman Mike Goldenberg to move items 10D, 10E, and 10F before Item 10A. Motion was seconded by Alderman Shawn Billings. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was 6 Ayes-Stephen Esterline, Carolyn Poole, Mike Goldenberg, Shawn Billings, and Charles Yates. 0 Nays. All Board members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Item 10 d Discussion and Possible Vote to accept Recommendation by Planning and Zoning Commission on Vacation of Wilderness Street for Larino Properties, LLC., and prepare ordinance.

Motion was made by Alderman Shawn Billings to accept the recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission on Vacation of Wilderness Street for Larino Properties, LLC., and to authorize City Attorney Jim Kelly to prepare an ordinance to this effect. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mike Goldenberg. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was 6 Ayes-Debra Hickey, Charles Yates, Shawn Billings, Mike Goldenberg, Carolyn Poole, and Stephen Esterline. 0 Nays. All Board of Aldermen were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Item 10 e Discussion and Possible Vote to Affirm the Board of Adjustments Decision on the Zoning Variance Submitted by Larino Properties, LLC.

Mayor Kruse noted the Board of Adjustment recently met on the issue and approved all the variances that were submitted of which a copy was provided to the Board. Motion

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was made by Alderman Mike Goldenberg to hereby review and affirm the Board of Adjustments Decision on approving the Zoning Variances Submitted by Larino Properties, LLC. Motion was seconded by Alderman Poole. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was 6 Ayes- Stephen Esterline, Carolyn Poole, Mike Goldenberg, Shawn Billings, Charles Yates, and Debra Hickey. 0 Nays. All Board members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Item 10 f Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Subdivision Variance submitted by Larino Properties, LLC.

Motion was made by Alderman Stephen Billings to approve Subdivision Variance submitted by Larino Properties, LLC., specific to Lot 15 (Wilson Creek Marketplace Subdivision), not to be acquired to abut a public road. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stephen Esterline. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was 6 Ayes-Debra Hickey, Charles Yates, Shawn Billings, Mike Goldenberg, Carolyn Poole, and Stephen Esterline. 0 Nays. All Board Members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Item 10 a Presentation of 5 year Infrastructure Plans.

Mayor Aaron Kruse thanked Mr. Hess for all his hard work in putting together these plans and for following up on the strategic goals. Mayor Kruse asked for a resolution by the Board to affirm this plan as presented. City Administrator Rick Hess noted these plans could change as priorities or public input changes. Mr. Hess reviewed the 5 year infrastructure plan which included Sewer, Parks and Streets. Motion was made by Alderman Shawn Billings to adopt the 5 year infrastructure plan as completed by City Administrator Rick Hess for Fiscal Year 2013-2017. Motion was seconded by Alderman Debra Hickey. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was 6 Ayes-Debra Hickey, Charles Yates, Shawn Billings, Mike Goldenberg, Carolyn Poole, and Stephen Esterline. 0 Nays. All Board of Aldermen were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Item 10 b Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Disposal List of Equipment.

Motion was made by Alderman Stephen Esterline to approve the disposal list of equipment as presented. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mike Goldenberg. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was 6 Ayes-Stephen Esterline, Carolyn Poole, Mike Goldenberg, Shawn Billings, Charles Yates, and Debra Hickey. 0 Nays. All Board Members were present for the vote. Motion approved. Editorial Note a copy of the Disposal List will be attached to the approved minutes for the record.

Item 10 c Discussion and Possible Vote to Narrow Frequency Band on Storm Sirens.

City Administrator Rick Hess noted the pricing was still valid for the storm sirens. Mr. Hess noted that Springfield, Greene County and Ash Grove were already narrowed. Mr. Hess noted this process has to be completed by January 1st of 2013. Mr. Hess stated he would contact other area cities to try to help reduce the cost for this company to come to this area to do this work. Motion was made by Alderman Debra Hickey to accept

