Regular Board Meeting January 7, 2008

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

Roll Call: Present Mark Davis Harold Fisher Joseph Fisher Dwight Lancaster Dale Reynolds Joe Don White

Absent

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and to approve as handed out by Dale Reynolds. Second Reading by Mark Davis Vote: All Ayes

Motion to approve financial statements October 2007 by, Mark Davis, Second by Joseph Fisher Vote: All Ayes.

Presentations: none Community Forum:

Communications from Mayor:

Report from committees, councilmen, and other officers

Tom Leitch spokesperson for the UT Martin Building –Parsons Center Center came before council to discuss the bids for the roadway and new center. Jason Rushing, UT Martin Parsons Center Director passed out a spreadsheet on the roadway and building site to the council. Tom stated that he would answer any questions that the council might have. He also stated that the paving of the road was not bid out base bids only on roadway and building. See attached sheet.

Old Business:

- **1.** Awarding bids for the new UTM Parsons Center and the UTM –University Avenue.
 - a. The bids for the New UTM –Parsons Center were opened on Thursday December 20, 2007. The bids received were as follows:

Company	Base Bid
Brasfield Construction, Inc.	<u>\$3,149,869.00</u>
<u>Fisher</u> Construction	<u>\$3,220,000.00</u>
<u>CIG</u> <u>Contractors</u> , <u>Inc.</u>	<u>\$3,267,000.00</u>
Watlington Brothers	<u>\$3,281,000.00</u>
McKinney Construction Co., Inc.	<u>\$3,393,000.00</u>
<u>Quinn</u> Construction	<u>\$3,474,000.00</u>
Graves & Graves Construction	\$3,674,300.00

The low bid on this project was from Brasfield Construction, Inc of Jackson, Tenn.

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b.	UTM at Parsons-University Avenue bid Process. These were opened on			
	Thursday December 20, 2007. The bids were as follows:			
	Company	Bid	Corrected Bid	
	Enviroworks	\$178,613.00	\$182,613.00	
	Graves & Graves Construction Co.	\$180,616.00		

As noted during the review it was notice by the engineerers that three lump sums total had been added incorrectly. Therefore, the bid submitted by Graves & Graves would be the low bid for this project. Motion by Mark Davis to go with lowest bidders, which would be Brasfield Construction, Inc for the UT Martin-Parsons Center, and Graves & Graves Construction Co. for the University Avenue bid Second by Dale Reynolds. Vote: All Ayes

Jason Rushing, UTM Parsons Center updates: 150 students with 1,000 credit hours-Classes start Monday target was 125 students with 375 credit hours. Also we are in the process of doing fund raising, we will know more later after the budget is out line in March. Ground breaking for new building is set for February 8th opening ceremony will depend upon the weather. Mayor Boaz stated that he would like to thank the building committee and Jason Rushing for all the work done on this project.

Mayor Boaz announced that David Wilbanks had turned in his resignation from the council effective December 31, 2007. Council members will look at appointing someone else later.

Old Business:

- 1. Second Reading on Ordinance No: 274 –An Ordinance to amend the City of Parsons Zoning Map to zone properties located on Highway 69 and McMurry Road to B-1 (General Business) Motion by Mark Davis Second by Dale Reynolds Vote: Mark Davis-Aye, Harold Fisher, Aye, Joseph Fisher-Aye, Dale Reynolds –Aye, Joe Don White-Aye, and Dwight Lancaster –Pass due to conflict of interest since he owns this property.
- 2. Second Reading on Ordinance No: 277 Entitled An Ordinance Authorizing Gas Purchase Contract. Motion by Dale Reynolds to pass this ordinance on Second Reading. Second by Mark Davis Vote: Mark Davis-Aye, Joseph Fisher-Aye, Harold Fisher-Aye, Dwight Lancaster-Aye, Dale Reynolds-Aye, and Joe Don White-Aye

New Business:

1. First Reading on Ordinance No: 278 An Ordinance to amend the City of Parsons Zoning Map to zone property located on Highway 69 and Kentucky Ave B-1 (General Business) This property belongs to Johnny Graves, and there is a portion that belongs to Randy and Ann McGee. This rezoning was recommended by the Parsons Regional Planning Board, and by the owners request. Motion to pass this Ordinance on first reading by Dwight Lancaster Second by Joseph Fisher Vote: Mark Davis- Aye, Joseph Fisher-Aye, Harold Fisher-Aye, Dwight Lancaster-Aye, Dale Reynolds-Aye, and Joe Don White-Aye

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- 2. Resolution No: 01-07-2008-2 Entitled A Resolution authorizing the City of Parsons to participate in West Tennessee Methamphetamine Task Force Asst. Chief Randy Quinn came before the council to answer any questions that the council might have. Motion by Dwight Lancaster to pass this resolution, and Second by Harold Fisher Vote: Mark Davis- Aye, Joseph Fisher-Aye, Harold Fisher-Aye, Dwight Lancaster-Aye , Dale Reynolds-Aye, and Joe Don White-Aye.
- 3. Resolution No: 01-07-2008-1-UT Martin –Parsons Center Funding-Capital Outlay Notes \$500,000.

Mayor Boaz stated that the cost to have the attorney to draw up the necessary papers would be \$2500.00 instead of the \$500.00 that initially consider. First Bank officials have agreed to lower the interest rate from 4.19% to 4.12% which will cover the extra cost involved. Since the Resolution is not finished we need to recess this meeting under Monday, January 14th at 5:00 P.M.

Motion by Joseph Fisher to recess until Monday, January 14th at 5:00 p.m. Second by Mark Davis Vote: All Ayes