

Regular Board Meeting March 3, 2008

The Parsons City Council met for its regular monthly meeting, Monday, March 3, 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

Dale Reynolds

Joe Don White

Joseph Fisher

Absent

Mark Davis

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and to approve as handed out by Joseph Fisher. Second Reading by Dale Reynolds

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to approve financial statements January 2008 by, Joseph Fisher, Second by Dale Reynolds Vote: All Ayes.

Presentations: none

Community Forum:

Communications from Mayor:

Old Business: none

New Business:

Mr. John Poole, CPA from Hendersonville, Tenn. who was hired by the City council to conduct the audit for year ended June 30, 2007 was introduced. He stated that the audit was late due to the fact that the audit for June 30, 2006 that was done by Kara Marshall CPA from another firm had not been finished which cause him to be able to start on time. This will not be the case with the audit ending June 30, 2008. This is a State required audit, and he stated that he looks at financial reports to make sure that the council is receiving correct information. He found that the City of Parsons reports are accurate. As an auditor he looks at the procedures that are in place to make sure that they are complying with the State rules. In his opinion the office staff are doing a good job, with proper support for the expenditures, and proper signatures in place for those expenditures. The City of Parsons is in good financial condition. Revenues continue to grow, we did see that some of the expenses exceed budget figures, but the city had enough revenues to cover this; nothing at an alarming rate. Mr. Poole states that he works with the Mayor and City Recorder, but he also works for this board. His telephone number is in front of the audit that if any board member needs to call, and ask him questions feel free to do so. Then Mr. Poole opened up for questions. There were no questions. Joe Don White said that some of the council members had just gotten out of the budget meeting with Mr. Poole. Mr. White said that Mr. Poole explained everything. It was a good experience having the financials explained, and reinforces the fact that the City is in good financial shape. Mr. White wants to thank Mr. Poole for going over the budget with the members of the council. Joseph Fisher stated that we should be commend the Mayor and staff.

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Mr. D.T. Hale came before the board with a deal for the City. Mr.D.T. Hale is the assistant EMA , Kevin Cagle EMA of the county, and Dr Michael Houchin is the deputy. Mr. Hale said the EMA needs some place to keep their equipment. The equipment is stored over the county, and that makes it hard to operate. The old city hall located at 66 West Second street is built perfect for a EMA headquarters for this county. It sits in the middle of Parsons, in the middle of the county. It has three bays for the equipment, office place, meeting room. It stills has the antenna that can be use for their radio's. What we are asking that we could rent the building for a dollar a year. This would be a win- win situation for the city and county. It is important that we are able to serve the city and county. We are not asking the city do any repairs, we will take care of this, and fixed it so everyone can be proud of it. If the council will let us rent it for a dollar a year, we will take care of the rest of it.

Mayor Boaz stated a little history on that building. We at one time voted to tear it down. Then we talked about letting the boy scouts use it. The boy scouts are going to use the old machine shop. We still have some records stored upstairs, but they should not be a problem to move.

Attorney Edwin Townsend stated this would need to be done by an ordinance. Everyone feels that they would agree to this. Rent for a dollar for five years. This will come back to council at next meeting. Council agreed that they could go ahead and clean up the building. The council stated that it would be ok.

- 1. Resolution 03-03-2008-1 Authorizing the submittal of an application to the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development for a FY 2008 Community Block Grant
Motion to pass this resolution by Joseph Fisher Second by Dwight Lancaster. Vote: all ayes**

- 2. Resolution 03-03-08-3 A resolution authorizing an application for a Project Grant for the City of Parsons.
Motion to pass this resolution by Harold Fisher Second by Joseph Fisher.
Vote: All Ayes**

- 3. Ordinance No: 280 Entitled An ordinance amending section 8-111 of title 8 of the code of the City of Parsons.
Motion by Dale Reynolds to pass this ordinance on first reading. Second by Joe Don White. Vote All Ayes Motion passed.**

Motion to adjourn by Harold Fisher Second by Joseph Fisher Vote: All Ayes.

Tim David Boaz, Mayor

Judy Daugherty