

**Regular Board Meeting
April 7, 2014**

The Parsons City Council met for its regular meeting, Monday, April 7, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at the city council meeting room. Mayor Boaz called the meeting to order. Roll called:

Present	Absent
Joseph Fisher	Mark Davis
Dwight Lancaster	
Bobby Rainey	
Marty Carrington	
Kevin Cagle	
Danny Mills	

Motion by Kevin Cagle to accept the minutes and dispense with the reading from last month's regular meeting as sent out. Second by Joseph Fisher Vote: All Ayes

Motion by Joseph Fisher to approve the financial reports for February 2014 as sent out. Second by Dwight Lancaster Vote: All Ayes

Presentations: none

Community Forum:

Reports from committees, councilmen, and other officers

Alisa Gray from Tennessee Department of Health spoke to the council about a volunteer program which would help prepare the community in case of a disaster. According to information presented by Ms. Gray, the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is a national volunteer program established after 9/11 by the United States Surgeon General. It is dedicated to the identification, advance preparation and credentialing of local medical professions and non-medical community leaders to respond during large scale medical or public health emergencies, Ms. Gray stated that they are recruiting and training volunteers to work in case of a disaster. She also stated they the word needs to get out so that they can build a resilient community. Anyone interested can call Kevin Cagle.

Branson Townsend told members of the council that the first "Founder's" Day Banquet will be held on Saturday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are for sale for \$25.00 each or a table for six at \$150.00 with seating limited.

He also noted the Peavine Festival is April 25 & 26.

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Judy Daugherty, City Recorder told the council that the children's play which was presented the previous two weekends in the newly renovated hanger at the old airport turned out really well. with over 100 people attending each night. The young actors did a tremendous job.

Communications from the Mayor:

Mayor Boaz stated the he has been working and dealing with some things for 12 years, and he explained a few problems which he says shouldn't be problems. "I ran into a fellow with the State Department of Recreation ,and he told me if we would work with the county, we could get a LPRF (Local Parks Recreation Funds) grant.

The county applied for one and didn't get it. Then we decided we'd take the ball and go for it We formed a recreation committee and formulated a plan. This is on a two-year cycle. We waited a year before we were notified on it. They came back and said our application had failed. "We decided not to let it get us down and then I ran into this guy with the state and he said if we would show we were trying to work with the county, we would have a better chance of getting the grant."

Boaz explained that if the recreation department was a Tier 1, it would help to assure the grant would go through. If it was a Tier II, which required a full time recreation director for as much as five years, that would give more points.

" That gave even more reason to work with the county. We could talk how we could work together for a joint effort with the county. We (the city) passed an ordinance in early 2012 to sign an interlocal agreement with the county, which basically said we were trying to work with the county."

Mayor Boaz continued to note that the agreement wasn't anything really binding and that either side could get out of it in a six month period. He said it was just a sign that everyone could work together.

"The county came in and they wouldn't support something to get recreation for Parsons and Decatur County. We're a part of Decatur County. I was very disappointed."

" Then I saw the vision plan in the paper where he will work with the local governments and that couldn't be farther from the truth. I want to go on record that I am very disappointed with our county administration."

" Decaturville was so kind to write a letter of support, " concluded Mayor Boaz. "They felt like we need it for the area. We would do the same for them."

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Old Business:

I: Second Reading on Ordinance No: 254 An Ordinance of the City of Parsons ,
Tennessee Reducing Sewer Rates for residential Customers inside City limits of
Parsons, Tennessee
Motion by Kevin Cagle Second by Marty Carrington to pass this ordinance on Second
Reading.

Vote:

Mark Davis-----Absent and not voting
Dwight Lancaster -Aye
Bobby Rainey ---- Aye
Marty Carrington-- Aye
Kevin Cagle ----- Aye
Danny Mills ----- Aye
Joseph Fisher- ----- Aye

Motion to adjourn by Danny Mills Second by Marty Carrington Vote: all Ayes

Tim David Boaz, Mayor

Judy Daugherty, City Recorder