

Regular City Board Meeting September 9, 2002

The Parsons City Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Monday, September 9, 2002 at 7:00 P.M. at the city meeting room. Mayor Tim David Boaz called the meeting to order. Roll Call:

Present	Absent
Bonnie Butler	Betty Bell (came in at 5 after)
Mark Davis	
Harold Fisher	
Joseph Fisher	
Bobby Rainey	
Joe Don White	

Mayor Boaz called the meeting to order. Minutes were approved with motion from Mark Davis. Seconded by Bobby Rainey. Vote: All Ayes

Open Forum from Citizens
No comments from anyone at this time.

Communications for the Mayor- City employees cleaning area around the utility yard, Mayor stated that he had written a letter to officials to apologize for letting the area get so bad. Dale Ivy the water plant manager is putting together a maintenance proposal for the plant. There is a lot of clean-up going on at the plant. Feeder will come in around the last of the month.

Reports from committees:

Bobby Rainey stated that there would be a 911 service next Wednesday at 8:00 A.M. to honor the law enforcement officers, ambulance personnel, firemen and woman at the flay pole in front of City Hall.

Everyone was encouraged to attended.

Report on Culvert and Bridge—Culverts are in on Old Perryville Road. Two culverts had been replaced in front of the Glassworks building. In future grants will be work on for improvements to areas needing new culverts.

Traffic Survey- Police Chief, Lynn Perry stated count has been completed. This traffic count has been sended into the State. Fourth Street showed to be the most congests. City officials will apply for a State Grant for a traffic light. The grant will be for 90% of \$50,000.

Budget Committee Report- Discussion on budget and tax rate. Also discussion on having to raise the sanitation fees from \$2.00 month to \$4.00. The City's sanitation truck is need of replacement. The Sanitation fund does not have enough revenues to fund this replacement so a rate increase is needed.

Item 1: Resolution on Raising Sanitation fees for residents from \$2.00 to \$4.00 a month.
Motion by Betty Bell to pass resolution Second by Mark Davis Vote: All Ayes

Item 2: Ordinance No. 184 an ordinance of the City of Parsons appropriating funds for the fiscal year July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, and establishing a property tax rate for 2003 fiscal year.
Motion by Betty Bell to pass ordinance on 1st reading Second by Bonnie Butler Vote: All Ayes

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Report from City Beautiful Committee- Transportation Grant has been filed. Other grants will be looked at.

Old Business

Item 3: Second Reading on ordinance no. 183 an ordinance approving appointment of city attorney and city attorney retainer contract
Motion by Mark Davis to passed this contract on 2nd reading. Second from Bobby Rainey Vote: All Ayes

Other items of discussion: Letche Dumping into Sewer Plant. Mayor stated we are willing to work with Waste Services on this dumping, but we had to consider what long-term problems the city could be faced with. Pre-treatment official is researching this problem.

City attorney Edwin Townsend, Jr is looking at water, Gas, and employee policies. These policies will be discussed at a later time.

New Business- Mr. Kim with the Kiswire Plant that was considering Decatur County has written a letter stating that they are now considering Arkansas. He stated that Tennessee was to close to his other Plant that's located in South Carolina. Mr. Kim stated that he would consider Tennessee again when he studies his next project.

Motion to adjourned by Bonnie Butler
Second by Betty Bell
Vote: All Ayes

Tim David Boaz, Mayor

Judy Daugherty, City Recorder