

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL ON MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2008 AT 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL. MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Alton McCollum. COUNCILPERSONS: Buddy Sandifer, Ella Bamberg, Janeth Walker, Buck Fralick, Teresa Hannibal, and Nancy Foster. CLERK: Bruce Watson. VISITORS: Tommy Tranthem, Jerry Durgan, Chief George Morris, Fire Chief Timmie Taylor, Phyllis Overstreet, and Bruce Ellis.

Mayor McCollum called the meeting to order and Councilperson Bamberg gave the invocation.

Clerk Watson took the roll with everyone being present except Councilperson Foster who he said had called to say that she would be running late.

Councilperson Bamberg made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilperson Hannibal made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Councilperson Foster entered the meeting in progress.

Councilperson Foster made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2008 meeting as received. Councilman Sandifer made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Councilperson Walker made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2008 meeting as received. Councilperson Hannibal made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Councilman Fralick made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2008 meeting as received. Councilperson Walker made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Councilperson Foster made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 29, 2008 meeting as received. Councilperson Hannibal made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Councilperson Foster made the motion to approve the Budget And Finance Report as presented. Councilman Fralick made the necessary second. All approved. The motion carried.

Under Commission Reports:

Commissioner Sandifer reported that he had no economic development report or police report at this time. He asked Chief Morris if he had anything to report. Chief Morris informed Council that he had nothing to report at this time.

Commissioner Bamberg reported to Council that business licenses were doing well and that several new businesses had opened last month. She told Council that business license renewals would be going out in July.

Commissioner Walker and Commissioner Fralick said they had no reports at this time.

Commissioner Hannibal reported that everything was going well in the Fire Department.

Councilperson Foster asked where they stood with the signage for the downtown areas?

Commissioner Fralick said he was not sure at this time but that he was still working with SCDOT to get the signage placed.

Commissioner Foster reported that shingles had been put on the roof of the gazebo at Foster Park and that they planned to paint the gazebo as well as the bleacher areas at the park next. Commissioner Foster reported that palmetto trees have been planted at the post office and in front of Hier's Drug Store. She informed Council that Bubba Davis and Randy Sandifer would be retiring as the directors of the baseball program this month.

Councilman Sandifer told Council they had been serving as the directors for fourteen years and that he hated to see them leave. He said Bubba Davis and Randy Sandifer didn't want to receive any recognition but agreed to be present at the next council meeting in July to receive a plaque. Councilman Sandifer said a reception has also been planned at that time to honor them.

Under Old Business:

With no recommendations coming from Council at this time for an appointment to the Planning Commission, Councilperson Foster said she felt they needed more time.

Mayor McCollum informed Council that bids for the parking lot at the Civic Center would be opened on Thursday at 3:00 p.m. at City Hall as part of the PARD Grant. He explained that Council would then have to decide if they wanted to move forward with the parking lot and award the project to a contractor.

Under New Business:

Mayor McCollum informed Council that the July 4th Celebration was on go but said he needed someone to sing the National Anthem. He told Council that Mr. Ellis and the BPW were presently installing permanent electrical service for the stage area. Mayor McCollum said the O'Kaysions would be performing with Dave Garrick and David Cooler serving as the start up band again this year. He said the stage has been ordered.

Councilperson Walker asked if the advertising for the vendors had taken place?

Mayor McCollum informed Council that a notice was placed seeking vendors for the event.

Councilman Fralick made the motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiations incident to the extension of a contract with Southland Sanitation, to discuss negotiations incident to the location of a business, and to discuss the disciplining of an employee. Councilperson Hannibal made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Councilman Fralick made the motion to come out of the executive session. Councilperson Walker made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

Mayor McCollum announced that no actions had been taken in executive session.

During the announcements, Mayor McCollum stressed his appreciation to the Board Of Public Works and Manager Ellis for providing the service pole for the July 4th event, for providing the new lighting at the basketball courts and the additional lighting on the pony league field at the Ness Complex. Mayor McCollum also thanked the BPW and Manager Ellis for their help with clearing the parking areas on Moore Street.

With no further business, Councilman Fralick made the motion to adjourn. Councilperson Walker made the second. All approved. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Clerk

Mayor