


February 14, 2008

The Russell Springs City Commission held their regular monthly meeting this date at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were Richard Roy, Jeramy Coffey, Derek Aaron, Jeanne Hudson, Amy Wooldridge, Joey Hoover, Sherry Daniel, Claradon Wilson, Joe Irvin, Jacky Burton, Ray Barrett, Wayne Gaskins, Don Byrom, Richard Wooldridge, Timmy Hudson, Hollis DeHart and Wendy Burton.

1. Mayor Hollis DeHart called the meeting to order.
2. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to accept the minutes of January 10, 2008. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion 4-0.** (Wayne Gaskins had left the Commission room.)
3. **Timmy Hudson made the motion to pay the bills. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.** (Wayne Gaskins had left the Commission room.)
4. The Commission heard the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2008-01 Adopting a Modern and Accurate Legal Description of Territory Previously Annexed in Ordinance 2007-30 and Ordinance 2004-10. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to accept Ordinance 2008-01 as read. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion.** Wayne Gaskins questioned the point of beginning in exhibit one as being 903.18 ft from the intersection of US 127 and Cooper Road. Mayor DeHart informed the Commission he and Jeramy Coffey are going to Frankfort on Friday and will discuss this issue. **Ray Barrett made the motion to table this until a later date. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
5. A list of vehicles and equipment were declared to be surplus items. The sale of these items would save the City approximately \$2,500.00 per year on insurance. Ray Barrett asked what the cost of installing the mower part on the scag mower. Jeramy Coffey informed the Commission approximately \$1400-\$1500 and the reason to sell the scag mower; grant money purchased two zero turn mowers. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to declare the items surplus and advertise for sealed bids. Ray Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
6. Bad Debt Procedures were discussed: Step 2 would be preferred; removes the account balance from accounts receivable, but leaves the customer on the system with a 0 balance. When a customer returns for water service then a tab on the computer screen will need to be checked to see if an amount has been moved to this area. **Wayne Gaskins made the motion to proceed with removing customers using Step 2. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
7. **KRS 83A.140 states the Commission shall at its first regular meeting in each year designate the commission member over each department. Richard Wooldridge made the motion that every department stay the same. Ray Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
8. The Commission heard the 1st reading of Ordinance 2008-02 Russell Springs Volunteer Fire Department Subscription and Billing Policy.

Richard Wooldridge stated this was long overdue with outdated equipment, no grants, etc. Mayor DeHart stated that inside the City Limits, the homeowner or business owner, the Fire Department will bill your insurance company. **The Homeowner or business owner will not be billed.** The Russell County Fiscal Court has no plans to change the allotted money that each Fire Department receives. Mayor DeHart stated within the next 3 or 4 years this department could possibly become a paid fire department. Sherry Daniel asked what areas does this cover? The areas covered are West Hwy 80 to the Casey County line, S. U.S. 127 to the Jamestown City Limits, N U.S. 127 to the Casey County line, Hwy 379 S. to Hwy 92, Hwy 619 Southeast to the Half Acre Rd. Hwy 76 N of the Cumberland Parkway; this from a letter filed with the Clerk's office dated December 28, 1995. Timmy Hudson asked if he and H.M. Bottom could do a household count. The billing would be handled in City Hall. Questions regarding could areas be changed? City Attorney Byrom stated that jurisdictions would be challenged if areas are changed. The Fire Chiefs of all departments should decide on the areas.

9. Timmy Hudson informed the Commission that the Fire Department had received a grant of \$28,000 for new breathing apparatuses, 5 new turnout gears, etc. Cleanup will resume when weather is better.
10. Richard Wooldridge stated the Water department is in good shape; no complaints.
11. Ray Barrett commended Joey Hoover with WJRS and the RS Fire Department during last week storms. Vandalism is still occurring at the City Park; maybe looking to place several cameras in area. A request for additional items in the skate park.
12. Mayor DeHart commended the Commission on working with him and particularly Jeramy Coffey and Richard Roy for the installation of the New City of Russell Springs sign. Mayor DeHart stated he was proud of the office staff, the police department, **PROUD OF OUR TOWN.**
13. Mayor DeHart made the motion to adjourn. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.



Hollis DeHart, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Wendy Burton, City Clerk