

March 8, 2007

The Russell Springs City Commission held their regular monthly meeting this date at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were Jeramy Coffey, Denver Wilson, Olbie Foley, Jeanne Hudson, Greg Wells, Wade Daffron, Joey Hoover, Joe Irvin, Mack Burton, Linda Sullivan, Perry Dunbar, Wanda Sullivan, Jerry Sullivan, Glendal Sullivan, Betty Brown, Otha Brown, Amy Wooldridge, Don Shaw, Lou Shaw, Kathy Foley, Jeremy Burton, Wanda Burton, Sherry Daniel, Matthew DeHart, Terry Russell, Tranie Sullivan, Larry Sullivan, Ray Barrett, Wayne Gaskins, Richard Wooldridge, Timmy Hudson, Don Byrom, Hollis DeHart and Wendy Burton.

1. Mayor Hollis DeHart called the meeting to order.
2. Ray Barrett asked regarding item #6 on the Feb.8 minutes; will continue to be tabled until Mayor DeHart contacts Kentucky League of Cities. **Wayne Gaskins made the motion to accept the February 8 minutes. Mayor DeHart seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
3. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to pay the bills. Wayne Gaskins seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
4. **Ray Barrett made the motion to continue with Dr. Gibson for all drug testing. Mayor DeHart seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
5. Discussion regarding Resolution 2007-02. Grant money in the amount of \$31,927.00 will be applied for and used to reimburse the City for the paving of Dowell Road which costs \$46,010.89. No money will be used for Remington Drive. Mayor DeHart met with Roy Beard with Gaddie Shamrock and they will forget the bill on Remington Drive. The Commission heard the reading of Resolution 2007-02 regarding Municipal Road Aid Bond Fund Agreement in the amount of \$31,927.00. **Wayne Gaskins made the motion to accept Resolution 2007-02 as written. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Roll call vote with Timmy Hudson-aye; Richard Wooldridge-aye; Wayne Gaskins-aye; Ray Barrett-aye; Mayor DeHart-aye. Motion carried 5-0.**
6. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to continue and renew Monumental Accident Insurance for all Russell Springs Volunteer Firemen. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
7. Discussion regarding Enhanced 911: when application for grant to provide Enhanced 911 was received, grant did not provide for administration costs. The four entities (City of Jamestown, City of Russell Springs, Russell Co. Fiscal Court, Russell Co. EMS) will each provide \$12,000 for one year to employ a person to do mapping, transportation costs, etc. **Wayne Gaskins made the motion to pay \$12,000 for one year. Mayor DeHart seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
8. The Commission heard the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinances 2007-02, 2007-03, 2007-04, 2007-05 and 2007-06 Adopting new legal descriptions. **Mayor DeHart made the motion that Ordinances 2007-02, 2007-03, 2007-04,**

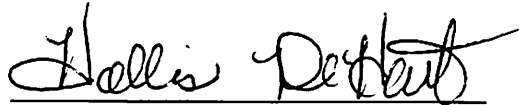
- 2007-05 and 2007-06 be accepted. Wayne Gaskins seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
9. **Ray Barrett made the motion to hire Brian Stephens as part-time worker for the City Park. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
  10. Discussion regarding Vehicle Policy for the City of Russell Springs: KLC highly recommended having a vehicle policy in place; could possibly affect firemen at a future date to be required to maintain at least \$100,000 per occurrence/\$300,000 annual aggregate liability coverage and at least \$100,000 property damage coverage; also for Supervisors and Commissioners to address City Vehicles used to take and pickup children at schools. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to adopt the vehicle policy as written. Ray Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
  11. Discussion regarding Resolution 2007-03. Mayor DeHart has applied for a \$30,000. Grant for the walking park at the Senior Citizens Center; City would match \$15,000 as in-kind contribution for labor, equipment, etc. Mayor DeHart was recently asked to apply for a 50/50 grant. The City will take the first \$30,000, apply to the second grant, then the Chamber of Commerce and the Lake Cumberland Area Development will ask local business owners to contribute the remaining \$20,000. **Ray Barrett made the motion to accept Resolution 2007-03 as written. Wayne Gaskins seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
  12. **Richard Wooldridge made the motion to accept the Pride Spring Cleanup Proclamation for April 7-April 21 for the City of Russell Springs. Mayor DeHart seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
  13. Discussion regarding Resolution 2007-04; insurance agents are unable to sell flood insurance because the City has never adopted flood plane insurance. The Commission heard the reading of Resolution 2007-04 regarding designation of special flood areas. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to accept Resolution 2007-04 as written. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
  14. The Commission heard the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 2007-01 designating special flood areas.
  15. Discussion regarding Resolution 2007-05. The City still owes \$176,263.12 for the construction of the Senior Citizens. The Russell Co. Fiscal Court will receive \$200,000 in the FY 07-08; this money will be applied to retire this debt of \$176,263.12. The Commission heard the reading of Resolution 2007-05 of Authorization to borrow \$176,263.12 from First National Bank to complete the construction of the Senior Citizens Building. **Richard Wooldridge made the motion to accept Resolution 2007-05 as written. Timmy Hudson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
  16. Discussion regarding water policy procedures: Linda Sullivan asked that the City retract the water policy statement that owners are responsible for the water when a renter leaves owing the City. She stated she had contacted an attorney who said that was illegal. City Attorney Byrom stated he would research the fraud KRS, but he thought it was related to

over \$500. Perry Dunbar stated he had rental property here, in Jamestown and Columbia and he had never heard of such a policy. Kathy Foley asked was the arrears from tenants? Mayor DeHart and Richard Wooldridge stated that the City had to purchase the water from the City of Jamestown and when people left owing, the City still had to pay for the water. Jerry Sullivan suggested turning water off when the bill reaches \$100.00. Richard Wooldridge suggested that the deposit for renters be raised to \$150. Kathy Foley stated that when a tenant left owing the owner, the owner would have to go to court to collect the rent. Otha Brown suggested placing names of delinquent renters in the paper. Olbie Foley stated that the City was responsible for the health and welfare of its citizens. Richard Wooldridge stated that if water bills are not paid by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month, water service will be discontinued. He stated that in January approximately 300 people were disconnected; in February approximately 100 people, so people believe that the City is serious in recouping some of the arrears. Wayne Gaskins stated that it was an inherited problem.

**Timmy Hudson made the motion to nullify part of section 5.10 (D) that places the burden on the owner of the property. Ray Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

17. **Mayor DeHart made the motion at 7:25 p.m. pursuant to KRS 61.810 1 (b) to enter executive session for future acquisition or sale of property. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.** Mayor DeHart thanked the citizens for attending the meeting and informed them that everyone around the table go above and beyond their duty for the City. He also asked for cooperation with the citizens to help alleviate this problem.
18. The Commission reconvened in open session at 7:40 p.m. No Action Taken in executive session.
19. Ray Barrett informed the Commission work is continuing on the skate board park; also had several calls last year regarding the ability for handicapped people to enter the swimming pool. May look at the purchase of a swim ladder for the pool.
20. Wayne Gaskins informed the Commission that each police officer's cruiser is in need of an update for software and a printer. The total costs will be approximately \$2400 to update all computers. **Wayne Gaskins made the motion to purchase the updates for the police cruisers in the amount of \$2400 and to amend the budget. Ray Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
21. Richard Wooldridge informed the Commission approximately \$1300 was collected in reconnect fees; still ask for the support of the Mayor and Commission regarding this situation with disconnections.
22. Timmy Hudson informed the Commission that the Fire Department was possibly going to have a fish fry fund raiser. The natural gas furnace has been installed, still working on the one ton truck; also working on notices to property owners to clean up property.

23. Wayne Gaskins suggested that an exception to the vehicle policy might have to be made regarding the replacement of vehicles that tend to start having maintenance problems.
24. Mayor DeHart asked regarding striping of Troy Young's vehicle? The two new vehicles will be striped at the same time. Lake Cumberland Gas Authority will be having their meetings at Russell Springs City Hall.
25. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to accept the June 30 audit. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
26. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to adjourn. Ray Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**



Hollis DeHart, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Wendy Burton, City Clerk