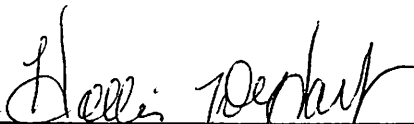


April 10, 2008


The Russell Springs City Commission held their regular monthly meeting this date at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were Joey Hoover, Jeanne Hudson, Sherry Daniel, Carley Fudge, Jacky Burton, Richard Roy, Terry Russell, Jeramy Coffey, Derek Aaron, Claradon Wilson, Joe Irvin, 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. **Timmy Hudson made the motion to accept the minutes of March 25. Richard Wooldridge 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. Mayor DeHart stated it was every citizen's constitutional right to attend meetings, to examine records of the City and to file complaints against elected officials as well as employees of the City. Certain procedures must be followed; citizens may not disrupt by being boisterous, abusive or presumptive. When citizens speak at meetings they should speak wisely and not make accusations.
5. **Mayor DeHart made the motion to advertise the 1990 White Dodge Dakota for sealed bids. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
6. Mayor DeHart informed the Commission the Russell County Fiscal Court was spending approximately \$27,000 for an animal shelter in conjunction with Adair County. The Fiscal Court does not have to cooperate with the City to pick up animals here. Mayor DeHart stated the Fiscal Court would probably be pleased to have \$400-\$500 per month for the money to go for the shelter and the dog warden. Mayor DeHart stated this would be tabled until next month's meeting.
7. **Richard Wooldridge made the motion to give all employees a 3% raise effectively immediately. Ray Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
8. Public Works Director Terry Russell informed the Commission the \$2,200,000 Alligator Sewer project was nearing completion. Homeowners will be required to purchase a grinder system with a cost of \$2,000 and a tap on fee of \$350, and then the City will maintain these grinder stations. With the additional sewer lines in place, another employee will be needed to help maintain these lines and grinder stations. Leslie Simpson was PWD Russell's recommendation. City Attorney Don Byrom stated new regulations became effective January 1, 2008 for septic systems and he also stated an alternative septic system needs to be approved. **Richard Wooldridge made the motion to give Terry Russell the authority to hire who he recommends for the new position. Ray Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
9. **Ray Barrett made the motion to hire James Scott Redmon as a part-time employee for the Parks Department. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
10. **Ray Barrett made the motion to hire Joseph Trevor Barnes as a seasonal employee. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**
11. Ray Barrett informed the Commission regarding a 6330 John Deere tractor with mower from Hartland Equipment who has the state contract. The state contract price for tractor is \$36,360 and the batwing mower is \$10,061.28 for a total of \$46,421.28. City will make a down payment of \$23,000 then two payments of \$13,183.43 each. **Ray Barrett made the motion to purchase the 6330 John**

- Deere tractor with mower. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.** Mayor DeHart stated this would enable the City to mow right of ways, the new Senior Citizens area and the City Park.
12. Mr. Carley Fudge –Building Inspector, stated he recommended residential inspections (footer, frame, final inspection). County Insurance rates are lower, mortgage companies welcome residential inspections, also protects citizens from shabby work. Good Builders will welcome this change. Mr. Fudge stated that when a permit is sold, he would return \$25 to the City. Mayor DeHart asked that each Commissioner read over the sample ordinance before next month's meeting.
 13. Timmy Hudson informed the Commission the Fire Department was still providing training sessions, will host fire fighters training in May; still mailing letters for cleanups. On Saturday Mr. Hudson asked if anyone wanted to volunteer to help pick up trash on City Streets be at the Fire Department at 9:00 a.m. If a disabled or elderly person needs help, Mr. Hudson stated he and Ronnie Jackson would help them.
 14. Richard Wooldridge informed the Commission the Alligator Sewer project would be completed soon, several problems with customers destroying locks and filling meter wells with mud.
 15. Wayne Gaskins stated everything is going good.
 16. Ray Barrett informed the Commission the Streets Department has installed several new culverts, grass is beginning to come up on ball fields and the City Park is going good.
 17. Mayor DeHart thanked Planning and Zoning Chairman Coy Harris for his dedication to Planning and Zoning Committee.
 18. April 24 is the Chamber of Commerce Banquet at the Lake Cumberland State Park.
 19. **Wayne Gaskins made the motion to adjourn. Richard Wooldridge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**



Hollis DeHart, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Wendy Burton, City Clerk