# Minutes City of Shannon Hills, Arkansas Regular City Council Meeting April 12, 2011

Call Meeting to Order: Mayor Mike Kemp called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Invocation led by Brenda Vaught from Healing Waters Outreach Ministry

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Kemp.

**Roll Call:** Present were Mayor Kemp; Aldermen Brenda McCann, Sue Skipper, Toni Cobb, Jim Frala, Scott Bennett, and Gervous Lambright; Treasurer Carol Pessa; Recorder Saundra Vosburg; and City Attorney Patrick Benca.

**Financial Report:** Treasurer Pessa gave the financial report. There was some discussion about payment of City insurance being paid in a lump sum at the end of the year; the Court Clerk's report and when she is supposed to make deposits; and discussion of all city deposits being made at least weekly. Mayor Kemp said he would work on assuring that this is done from now on. Mayor Kemp entertained a motion to accept the financial report as given. Alderman Skipper so moved, Alderman McCann seconded the motion, and the Council passed the motion unanimously by voice vote of six "ayes". There were no negative votes.

**Minutes:** Mayor Kemp entertained a motion to accept the minutes of the March 8, 2011, Regular Meeting. Alderman Cobb so moved, seconded by Alderman Frala, and the Council passed the motion unanimously by voice vote of six "ayes". There were no negative votes.

**Department Heads Reports**: Written reports submitted by department heads are available for inspection upon request. They are filed with the minutes folders in the Recorder's Office. Court Clerk Stacy Cook's report was signed by Judge Curtis Richard.

Police Chief Hale discussed issues raised by Aldermen Frala and Lambright regarding parking on the street and ways to get speeders to slow down. He also advised that the City get rid of the inoperable vehicle for salvage value. Discussion about other police vehicles will take place at the upcoming budget meeting. Chief Hale introduced our new police officer, Rick Sanders.

Mr. Passmore, Water Department Manager, discussed the things he and his departments having been working on. (1) They have been working to resolve issues on the Thomas/Williams property. (2) He explained retention pond on Eastern Slope, stating that what is there now is temporary – this is an ongoing project. (3) Street light issues will be discussed with Mr. Theodis Thompson at a meeting with the City next week. (4) Boring around town is for fiber optics, when finished property will be left neat. (5) Manholes are being tested by private inspectors for the Water Department. (6) Corps of Engineers currently working on Otter Creek to see what can be done.

Item 1. Ordinance 2011-03 AN ORDINANCE TO ADD COUNCIL MEMBER SUE SKIPPER TO BE AN ADDITIONAL SIGNATORY ON THE CITY CHECKING ACCOUNT. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO THE MAYOR AND THE TREASURER ALREADY HAVING THIS AUTHORITY. ANY TWO OF THE THREE AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES WOULD MAKE THE CHECK NEGOTIABLE. First Reading:

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### Suspend Rules for Second Reading of Ordinance 2011-03.

A motion was made by Alderman Lambright to suspend the rules and bring Ordinance 2011-03 to the floor for a second reading. A second was provided by Alderman Cobb. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no opposing votes. The motion is approved.

#### Second Reading

Ordinance 2011-03 was read into the record (Title Only) by Attorney Benca. A motion to approve this ordinance as read was made by Alderman Lambright. A second was provided by Alderman Frala. In a roll call vote Aldermen Skipper, Cobb, Frala, Bennett Lambright, and McCann voted "Yes." There were no opposing votes. The motion is approved.

## Suspend Rules for Third Reading of Ordinance 2011-03.

A motion was made by Alderman Frala to suspend the rules and bring Ordinance 2011-03 to the floor for a third reading. A second was provided by Alderman Cobb. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no opposing votes. The motion is approved.

#### **Third Reading:**

Ordinance 2011-03 was read into the record (Title Only) by Attorney Benca. A motion to approve this ordinance as read was made by Alderman Frala. A second was provided by Alderman Lambright. In a roll call vote Aldermen Cobb, Frala, Bennett, Lambright, McCann, and Skipper voted "Yes." There were no opposing votes. The motion is approved. The ordinance is adopted.

**Item 2. Set Budget Meeting Date:** Alderman McCann moved to set date and time of Budget Meeting to be Monday, April 25, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. Alderman Skipper seconded the motion; and the Council \voted unanimously by voice vote to pass the motion.

### **New Business:**

**Item 1.** Mayor Kemp discussed new business starting with Congressman Griffin's Public Meeting in Shannon Hills. He appreciated the warm reception he received and enjoyed his visit.

**Item 2**. Citywide Yard Sale; – We have had good response from citizens contributing to Food Bank at Healing Waters to participate in Yard Sale. Mayor Kemp asked Council to allow him to spend \$250 for advertising for the Yard Sale. Alderman Frala moved to do so; seconded by Alderman Bennett; aldermen voted unanimously by voice vote aye to pass this motion.

**Item 3**. Sidewalk/crosswalk on Hall property is a very good thing and will lead to more efforts to enhance route to school in the future.

**Item 4**. Ann Sanders, Humane Society, has agreed to o a "Vaccination Clinic" at Davis Elementary in early June on a Saturday. More information will be forthcoming.

**Item 5**. The date of the June Council meeting needs to be changed due to Summer Conference of the Municipal League. Alderman Skipper moved to change date of meeting to June 21 at 6:30 p.m.; Alderman Cobb seconded the motion; and the Council by a unanimous voice vote passed this motion.

**Item 6**. Improvement District Laws, Rules, and Regulations. After discussion of this item, City Attorney Benca volunteered to investigate this as a courtesy to the citizens since the City has no interest in this item. It is a private entity, not a function of the City.

## **Comments from the Floor**: None

**Adjourn:** Alderman Frala moved to adjourn, Alderman Skipper seconded the motion, and the Council voted "aye" unanimously to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Mike Kemp Mayor

Attest:

Saundra Vosburg Recorder