Minutes City of Shannon Hills, Arkansas Regular City Council Meeting October 11, 2011

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

Invocation: Brother Robert Holt

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Kemp

Roll Call: Present were Mayor Kemp; Aldermen Brenda McCann, Sue Skipper, Toni Cobb, and Scott Bennett; and Recorder Saundra Vosburg. Aldermen James Frala and Gervous Lambright, Treasurer Carol Pessa, and City Attorney Patrick Benca were absent. Attorney Andy Taylor sat in for Attorney Benca.

Financial Report: Alderman Skipper moved to have company currently doing paychecks continue through the end of the year. Alderman Cobb seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by the council members present (4) with no negative votes. Mayor Kemp entertained a motion to approve the financial report as printed. Alderman Skipper so moved, Alderman Cobb seconded, and the Council voted as follows: Aldermen Skipper yes; Cobb yes; Bennett yes; and McCann no. The motion passed 3 yes to 1 no.

Minutes: Mayor Kemp entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2011, Regular Meeting. Alderman Skipper so moved, Alderman McCann seconded, and the Council passed the motion unanimously - 4 yes to zero no.

Department Heads Reports:

Fire Chief Mel Aldridge reported a very active month and passed out a written report. He also announced the Fire Department is getting 5 truck radios and 24 handheld radios from a grant.

Mayor Kemp reported that Police Chief Bobby Hale completed his refresher course and is now "up to snuff". Chief Hale reported the sale of the "command vehicle" for \$860. The City had to pay \$50 to have it hauled away.

Public Works Manager David Passmore discussed some of his departments' activities. Televising the water lines will start again in October. He presented a certificate to Ricky Trotter for his completion of the course to earn his Water Distribution License.

Court Clerk Report. Written reports submitted by department heads and Court Clerk are available for inspection upon request. They are filed with the minutes folders in the Recorder's Office.

Old Business:

Item 1. Disposal of Surplus Vehicles – Already discussed by Chief Hale in his report.

New Business:

Item 1. Reapportionment of city wards – Alderman McCann moved to defer this item until the November meeting, Alderman Cobb seconded, and the Council voted yes unanimously by members present to pass this motion.

Item 2. Municipal League Legal Defense – Civil Action No 4:11-CV-0264JLH - Alderman Cobb moved to send the Municipal League a 33,000 retainer for legal fees, seconded by Alderman McCann, and unanimously approved by council members present (4 yes – 0 no). Motion passed.

Item 3. Parks and Recreation Committee Appointments – Alderman James Frala, Alderman Scott Bennett, Planning Commissioner Chris McCauley, and Planning Commissioner Susan Watkins agreed to serve on the Parks and Recreation Committee.

Item 4. 2012 Budget Preparation Schedule – Alderman Skipper moved to request using Robert Holt's Healing Waters building for the November meeting, seconded by Alderman Cobb, unanimously approved by Council members in attendance (4 yes zero no). Motion passed. Alderman Skipper moved to accept Budget Meeting Schedule as printed, seconded by Alderman Cobb, unanimously approved by Council members in attendance (4 yes zero no). Motion passed.

Other Discussion:

Item 1. Report from Planning Commission – Alderman Skipper reported the Planning Commission presented Andy Taylor a Certificate of Appreciation for his service to Shannon Hills as the Chairman of the Planning Commission after they accepted his resignation.

Item 2. Mayor Kemp discussed a Planning Commission Seminar that will take place on November 14, 2011, at Shannon Hills City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Comments from the Floor: None

Adjourn: Alderman Bennett moved to adjourn, Alderman Cobb seconded the motion, and the Council voted unanimously "aye" to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.

Date:

Approved: _

Mike Kemp Mayor

Attest:

Saundra Vosburg Recorder