

Rising Sun City Council
February 5 2009
7:00 P.M.
City Hall

Call to order/Pledge

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Pro-Tem Mike Padgett with all of Council present. Mayor Marksberry was not in attendance as he was attending a Mayor's Conference and meeting at the Statehouse in Indianapolis.

Minutes

Minutes of the December 4, December 18, and January 8th meetings had been previously distributed to Council and Mayor Marksberry for review. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Powell to approve all 3 sets of minutes, 2nd by Councilman Graves; motion carried 5-0.

Reports from Boards and Committees

Park Board—Jamie Bell

Jamie Bell, Park Director, informed Council of various activities of the past month and had submitted a monthly report to Council and Mayor Marksberry. See attached Exhibit A. Attorney Siekman informed Bell he is working on a uniform procedure for having alcohol at different city rented locations such as Heritage Hall and the New Fairgrounds Park. Siekman will keep Bell in the loop as we will want these to be fairly uniform.

Police Department

Police Chief, David Hewitt informed Council that Officer Wayne Siekman is back to work. Hewitt also thanked the Street Department and Officer Browning for hard wiring the new computers at the Police Department—thus saving the City costs for this work.

Project Manager

Northcutt presented a report to Council and Mayor Marksberry. See Attached Exhibit B. He reported as follows:

- **Sewer Line Repair—Glen Richards**—Northcutt informed Council there were repairs in the amount of \$1,025.98 made to the sewer line at the Glen Richards property. He requested Council pay these costs. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Slack to approve paying these repair costs, 2nd by Councilman Graves; motion carried 5-0.
- **Meeting with Kentucky and Indiana SHPO**—Northcutt informed Council there had been a meeting at 10:30 regarding the River walk and Bike Path to take into account and seek input from various parties regarding the Area of Potential Effect. Northcutt stated Kentucky did not attend. A mailing will now have to be sent to them to get approval before the corps permit will be approved for this project. It was stated there apparently are issues with the "Rabbit Hash view shed".
- **Shovel Ready Project List**—Northcutt reported he has been working with various Departments to prepare this list. According to Northcutt the list currently includes Riverfront Phase 4, Barbour Business Park, and the Heritage Hall addition. Clerk Gipson stated the Water Wells should be included as well. Northcutt stated RSMU is working on a list—but he will include. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Powell to resolve to apply for

Federal Stimulus Funds for the following four projects: Riverfront Phase 4, Barbour Business Park, Heritage Hall Addition, and the RSMU Water Wells, 2nd by Councilman Slack; motion carried 5-0. There was some discussion regarding the SR 56 project—with the Laughery Bridge—but there was not enough information received at this time to know if this was going to be a part of the INDOT stimulus funds or not.

NSP Grant

Attorney Lane Siekman informed Council a letter of intent had been submitted for NSP –National Stabilization Program---funds. The funds can be used for vacant, abandoned, and foreclosed properties...properties can be remodeled and used for housing etc.

Fire Department Contract

Clerk Gipson presented the 2009 Fire Contract to Council for review. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Slack to give the Mayor the authority to sign the Fire Department Contract, 2nd by Councilman Graves; motion carried 5-0.

Odds & Ends

- **Council Baseball Signs**

Clerk Gipson presented Council with renewals for 3 signs sponsoring the summer baseball program at a cost of \$300. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Graves to approve this cost, 2nd by Councilman Radcliff; motion carried 5-0.

- **Various Leases at the Education Center**

Clerk Gipson requested Council's approval for the Mayor to sign the leases for the SIEOC, WIC, TAPS, OCCF, and ECO15. After discussion a motion was made by Councilman Graves to give Mayor Marksberry authority to sign these leases for the City, 2nd by Councilman Powell; motion carried 5-0.

- **Received Grant from RSRF for \$50,000 to match the \$100,000 Facade Grant**

Adjournment

After the reviewing and signing of claims, and with no further business; a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Graves, 2nd by Councilman Slack; meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Attest:

Rae Baker Gipson,
Clerk Treasurer

William A. Marksberry,
Mayor

Councilman Pro-Tem
Mike Padgett