

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD  
JANUARY 21, 2008**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Springfield to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Anderson led the pledge of allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Anderson, Council Members Agne, Burdett, Eib, Good, and Hinton.

Absent: Council Member Whitfield.

It was moved by Hinton, seconded by Eib and unanimous that Council Member Whitfield be excused from the regular meeting.

Also Present: Franklin Peterson – City Manager, and Kris Vogel – City Clerk.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Hinton, seconded by Good and unanimous that the minutes of January 7, 2008, regular meeting be approved subject to additions and corrections.

V. REPORTS

A. Code Enforcement/Building Department – December (C. Childers/D. Carnell)

Mayor Anderson asked if there were any questions regarding the Code Enforcement/Building Department reports presented by Cris Childers, Public Safety Office Manager and Donna Carnell, Deputy Assessor. Being none, these reports will be filed as presented.

B. Public Works Department – December (T. Matson)

Mayor Anderson asked if there were any questions regarding the Department of Public Works report presented by Tom Matson, Department of Public Works Director. Being none, the report will be filed as presented.

C. City Manager – *Franklin Peterson*

1. Discussion – Staff Goals

City Manager Peterson stated the most recent staff goals were adopted by the Council in January, 2007. City Manager Peterson provided an update on the goals noting there are some still underway and requested the goal period be moved from a calendar year to a fiscal year. City Manager Peterson stated that if this change was made this would allow Department Heads to establish their goals based on the funds available.

Mayor Anderson asked if there was anything in the Code of Ordinances or Charter that requires goals to be done at a certain time? City Manager Peterson stated that only the Capital Improvement Plans does and that will continue to be done in January.

Council Member Good requested that when the goals were compiled for the next fiscal year that a raise for the City Council be included. He noted that he was only talking about \$5 a meeting because the rate has been the same for many years. Mayor Anderson stated that if anyone had something they would like included as part of the goals to let City Manager Peterson know so that it could be reviewed.

2. *Bills in Line*

It was moved by Good, seconded by Burdett and unanimously approved that the checks be drawn from the various accounts and the bills be paid.

VI. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Agne stated he has noticed a lot of garbage cans left out in front yards. He reminded citizens there is an Ordinance prohibiting trash cans in the front yard.

Mayor Anderson commented on how smoothly the Presidential Primary Election went and told City Clerk Vogel that she appreciated the job that she and her staff do.

City Manager Peterson stated the January newsletters went out in water bills. He noted he received quite a few phone calls regarding the Wi-Fi article in the newsletter and that his list went from 15 to about 40 interested property owners in three days. City Manager Peterson noted the Finance Department had two positions open and that Finance Director Turner has selected an individual for the full-time position. Mayor Anderson asked if the part-time position had been filled? City Manager Peterson stated there are two follow-up interviews scheduled for Tuesday. He stated the Public Safety expansion is moving forward and although it seemed to be moving slower than expected the project is actually on schedule. City Manager Peterson stated that it will be late February when Public Safety moves into the building and will host an open house sometime in March. City Manager Peterson stated the Do it Center will be opening soon.

Council Member Hinton thanked the Public Works Department for doing a great job with the roads.

Mayor Anderson stated that at every Council meeting recently we have been thanking the Public Works Department for taking care of all of the snow emergencies because they do such a great job.

VII. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Kris Vogel, CMC  
City Clerk

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Susan L. Anderson, Mayor