

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
OCTOBER 2, 2006**

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

Also Present: Jeannine Turner – Finance Director and Kris Vogel – City Clerk.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Hinton, seconded by Good and unanimous that the minutes of the September 18, 2006, regular meeting be approved subject to additions and corrections.

V. TAXING JURISDICTION INPUT – TIFA PLAN AMENDMENTS

Mayor Anderson stated if were any representatives present for taxing jurisdictions that have questions concerning the TIFA Plan Amendments, this would be the time to do so.

There were no questions.

VI. REPORTS

A. City Manager – James D. Jenkins

1. *Proclaim – Domestic Violence Month*

Mayor Anderson presented the following proclamation to Assistant Prosecutor John Puzzuoli of the Calhoun County Prosecutor's office.

Proclamation #08-06

WHEREAS, the month of October, 2006 has been designated as Domestic Violence Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, in the United States a woman is beaten every 15 seconds; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, Calhoun County Law Enforcement Agencies responded to 3,222 calls for service involving Domestic Violence; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, 958 felony and misdemeanor arrest warrants involving Domestic Violence were issued by the Calhoun County Prosecutor's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Springfield that

October, 2006 is recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The Springfield City Council thanks and recognizes those Victims of Domestic Violence, the staff and volunteers at S.A.F.E. Place Domestic Violence Shelter, members of the Calhoun County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council, the Calhoun County Prosecutor's Office, the Officers and Staff of the Springfield Public Safety Department, all Law Enforcement Agencies and Service Agencies, who, through their cooperative effort in coordinating the events of Domestic Violence Awareness Month have helped to bring attention to the issues surrounding Domestic Violence, to educate our communities regarding Domestic Violence and to prevent the occurrence of Domestic Violence.

Mayor Anderson thanked Assistant Prosecutor John Puzzuoli for being present to address this issue.

Assistant Prosecutor Puzzuoli thanked the Public Safety department for the great job they do concerning domestic violence issues.

Thursday, October 5th from 2-7 in Albion at Cromwell School domestic violence information fair.

2. Closed Session – AFSCME Contract Negotiations

Mayor Anderson stated this resolution will authorize the Council to go into closed session to discuss AFSCME contract negotiations.

Resolution #61-06

It was moved by Burdett and seconded by Eib that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD that the Council go into closed session for the purpose of discussing AFSCME contract negotiations.

Resolution adopted.

3. Authorize – City Manager/Mayor to Execute AFSCME Union Contract

Mayor Anderson stated this resolution will authorize City Manager Jenkins and herself to sign the AFSCME union contract.

Resolution #62-06

It was moved by Eib and seconded by Hinton that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD to authorize the City Manager and Mayor to execute the collective bargaining agreement with the AFSCME Union of the City of Springfield Department of Public Works; said agreement effective July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2009.

Ayes: Council Members Agne, Eib, Hinton, Whitfield, and Mayor Anderson.
Nays: Council Members Burdett and Good.

Resolution adopted.

4. Bills in Line for Payment

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.

VII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

City Clerk Vogel stated City Hall will be closed Monday, October 9th for Columbus Day and will reopen Tuesday, October 10th at 8:00 a.m.

City Clerk Vogel noted the close of registration for anyone who would like to vote in the November 7th election is Tuesday, October 10th at 5:00 p.m.

City Clerk Vogel added that absent voter ballot applications for the November election are available by contacting her office at 965-2354.

VIII. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

IX. CLOSED SESSION

The Council went into closed session at 7:39 p.m. to discuss the AFSCME Contract Negotiations.

The Council returned from closed session at 8:05 p.m. and took action as indicated in resolution #62-06.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Kris Vogel, CMC
City Clerk

Susan L. Anderson, Mayor