

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
FEBRUARY 6, 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: James Jenkins – 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 the January 16, 2006, regular meeting be approved subject to additions and corrections.

V. MAYORAL PRESENTATION

Mayor Anderson presented City Manager Jenkins an award to him from the Michigan Local Government Management Association. She also thanked City Manager Jenkins for his dedication to Springfield.

City Manager Jenkins stated that it is an honor to be recognized by the people in the profession. He also stated that it is an honor to represent Springfield.

VI. REPORTS

A. Finance Director – *Jeannine Turner*

1. FY 05/06 2nd Quarter Budget Status Report

City Manager Jenkins reviewed the 2nd Quarter Budget with the Council. He stated that if the expenditures and revenues were as planned, they would be at 50 percent. He noted that revenues are at 42.9 percent and the expenditures are at 39.8.

B. City Manager – James Jenkins

1. Approve – Capital Improvement Plan

City Manager Jenkins explained that the Capital Improvement Plan is updated on an annual basis, and is a six year plan that is not definite. City Manager Jenkins reviewed the Capital Improvement Plan in detail.

Resolution #05-06

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

WHEREAS, CITY OF SPRINGFIELD staff and Planning Commission members have reviewed and provided input for the Six (6) Year Capital Improvement Program for the period covering 2006 - 2011; and

WHEREAS, THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD recommends to the City Council the attached projects for inclusion in the Six (6) Year Capital Improvement Program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD that the Six-Year Capital Improvement Program is hereby approved.

All ayes. Resolution adopted.

2. Declare – Intent for Public Improvements

City Manager Jenkins stated that the following resolution is part of the Public Improvements in the Capital Improvements Plan. He noted that for the streets listed in the resolution, the City of Springfield intends to bond for the project. City Manager Jenkins stated that even with the City bonding for the project, it does not mean that there will not be an assessment, because bonding considers all means to replace the monies spent.

Resolution #06-06

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

RESOLVED AND DECLARED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD its intent to make the following infrastructure improvements

N. 24th Street from Dickman Road to Upton Avenue
N. 26th Street from Upton Avenue to Nettles Street
N. 34th Street from Upton Avenue to the Railroad Tracks
Nettles Street

and to assess the properties adjoining N. 24th Street, N. 26th Street, and N. 34th Street.

FURTHER, THE COUNCIL directs the preparation and submission of:

1. A map showing the affected location
2. Plans for the proposed improvement
3. An estimate of the cost

All ayes. Resolution adopted.

3. Approve – FY 05/06 2nd Quarter Budget Amendments

City Manager Jenkins stated that the following resolution is to make the Council aware of changes made to the budget.

Resolution #07-06

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

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD to amend the FY 05/06 Second Quarter Budget as submitted and attached.

All ayes. Resolution adopted.

4. Proclaim – Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week

Mayor Anderson presented the following proclamation:

Proclamation #01-06

WHEREAS, February 12-18, 2006, has been declared National Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, even though child passenger protection laws in Michigan and all other states and the District of Columbia require proper restraints and safety belt use for children, many children are still not properly restrained; and

WHEREAS, Michigan has more stringent child restraint laws requiring children to be in child seats until 4 years of age and buckled up regardless of where they sit in the vehicle until 16 years of age; and

WHEREAS, parents, guardians and caregivers must make sure that children under age 13 always ride in the back seat of vehicles, buckled up or properly installed in child safety seats/booster seats/seat belts, as appropriate, away from front seat air bags.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Susan L. Anderson, Mayor of the City of Springfield, do hereby proclaim support for National Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week, and I urge all citizens to buckle up every child properly in an approved restraint, or seat belt, as applicable, every time a child rides in a vehicle. I call upon all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, medical facilities, and schools in the City of Springfield to observe this week with appropriate resolutions and ceremonies.

Mayor Anderson reminded the public that if they have a child safety seat and are unsure of how the seat is to be secured in their vehicle, please stop by the Public Safety Office.

5. *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

Council Member Whitfield stated Linda Whitfield, President of the Springfield Community Foundation, will conduct a meeting on Tuesday February 14, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Springfield City Hall Council Chambers for any person interested in the Medicare Part D program.

City Clerk Vogel noted that the next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 21st. She noted that City Hall will be closed on Monday, February 20th due to Presidents Day.

City Manager Jenkins stated the Medicare meeting is not only for the elderly to find out about Part D, but family members of the elderly are welcome to attend to find how the Part D program works.

City Manager Jenkins stated that the airport at Kellogg Field is having some work done to the runway and was required to file Impact Statements to areas that may be affected by the work. The City of Springfield determined there is no detrimental impact to the city, as all work occurs within the City of Battle Creek. He noted that because the City abuts the property, the City of Springfield had to file an Impact Statement. The City of Battle Creek is holding a Public Hearing on the Impact on February 22, 2006 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Department of Public Works building located on S. Kendall Street.

Mayor Anderson congratulated officer Pence for being promoted to Sergeant.

VIII. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Donna Carnell
Deputy City Clerk

Susan L. Anderson, Mayor