

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
JULY 17, 2006**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro-tem Burdett called the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Springfield to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro-tem Burdett led the pledge of allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Agne, Eib, Good, Hinton, Whitfield, and Mayor Pro-tem Burdett.

Also Present: James Jenkins – City Manager, and Kris Vogel – City Clerk.

Absent: Mayor Anderson.

It was moved by Hinton, seconded by Eib and unanimous to excuse Mayor Anderson from the regular meeting of July 17, 2006.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Hinton, seconded by Good and unanimous that the minutes of the July 3, 2006, regular meeting be approved subject to additions and corrections.

V. PRESENTATION – COUNTY BALLOT PROPOSALS – Donna Mahoney

County Commissioner Segal introduced Chris Jenkins and Bill Sheldon of the Marion Burch Daycare Center to highlight County Proposals 1 and 2, which will be on the August 8th ballot. Chris and Bill left brochures regarding the proposals for anyone interested in reviewing them.

County Commissioner Segal also left copies of her summer newsletter, which everyone in the City of Springfield will be receiving within the next few weeks.

VI. REPORTS

A. Assessing/Building Department – June (C. Childers)

Mayor Pro-tem Burdett asked if there were any questions regarding the Building Department reports presented by Cris Childers, Assessor/Building Official. Being none, the reports will be filed as presented.

B. Public Safety Department – June (R. Coles)

Mayor Pro-tem Burdett asked if there were any questions regarding the Department of Public Safety report presented by Rob Coles, Director of Public Safety. Being none, the report will be filed as presented.

C. Farmers Market – June (K. Vogel)

Mayor Pro-tem Burdett asked if there were any questions regarding the Farmers Market report presented by Kris Vogel, City Clerk. Being none, the report will be filed as presented.

D. City Manager – James Jenkins

1. Appoint – EDC/TIFA/BRA Board Member

City Manager Jenkins stated this resolution will reappoint Mayor Anderson to the EDC/TIFA/BRA Board.

Resolution #43-06

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

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD that the reappointment of Sue Anderson to the EDC/TIFA/BRA Board is hereby confirmed; term to expire 7/31/2012.

All ayes. Resolution adopted.

2. Authorize – City Manager to Execute POLC Union Contract

City Manager Jenkins stated this resolution authorizes him to execute the POLC union contract.

Resolution #44-06

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

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

City Manager Jenkins indicated the content of the contract was reviewed with Mayor Anderson prior to this meeting.

All ayes. Resolution adopted.

3. Authorize – City Manager to Contract with MERS for Healthcare

City Manager Jenkins noted this resolution authorizes him to contract with MERS for healthcare for City employees and retirees. As healthcare costs continue to increase every year it was necessary to change providers.

Resolution #45-06

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

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD to authorize the City Manager to collaborate with Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) on a healthcare plan for staff/retirees through Premier Health; said plan to be effective August 1, 2006.

All ayes. Resolution adopted.

4. *Bills in Line for Payment*

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

VII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Hinton congratulated PSO Callahan on his 7th anniversary with the Public Safety Department. Council Member Hinton requested that all employee anniversaries be shared with the Council.

City Clerk Vogel reminded the community there is a Primary Election on August 8th and encouraged everyone to vote. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Absent voter ballots are now available by contacting the Clerk's office.

City Clerk Vogel stated there will be a craft show and farmers market on August 5th. In addition PSO Callahan is working to put together a child safety event for the same day.

Mayor Pro-tem Burdett thanked PSO Callahan for his dedication to the community. A few months back he took the Child ID Program to the area schools and that was a huge success.

VIII. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Kris Vogel, CMC
City Clerk

Susan L. Anderson, Mayor