

MINUTES

The Rogers City Council met in *regular session* in the Council Chambers of the Maurice H. Kolman City Hall Building on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Womack. The Invocation was given by Rev. Morris Vickers of the Rogers Ministerial Alliance. Those in attendance were led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM:

There were no comments from anyone in the audience.

The Public Forum was declared closed.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Goodwin, Mark Kruger, Barney Hayes, Greg Hines, Larry Daniel, Buddy Wright, Betsy Reithemeyer and Gary Townzen were present.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

City Clerk Peggy David, City Attorney Ben Lipscomb, Water Utilities Superintendent Tom McAlister, Water Utilities Engineer Mark Johnson, Planning & Transportation Director Steve Glass, Police Chief Steve Hamilton, Fire Chief Tom Jenkins, Treasurer Jerry Hudlow, Director of Code Management James Willett, Main Street Director Kerry Jensen, Street Superintendent Frankie Gyll, IT Director Rufus Ramey, Building Official Mike Rouse, Community Development Block Grant Administrator Donna Johnston and Assistant to the Mayor Janet Foster.

ACTION ON MINUTES:

May 25, 2010

Motion by Wright, second Kruger to approve the minutes of May 25, 2010 as submitted.

Voice vote: Unanimous - Yes. ***Motion carried.***

Motion by Hines, second by Kruger to suspend the rules and consider all items on a single reading and by title only.

Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***Motion carried.***

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES:

(Agenda Item #1)

ORD. #10-54 Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to Accept a Community Development Block Grant in the Amount \$460,629.00

The ordinance was introduced by Council member Reithemeyer and read by title only by Lipscomb.

Reithemeyer, chair of the Resources & Policy Committee, reported the committee had met, heard a report from CDBG Administrator Donna Johnston and recommended a “Do pass” with one abstention.

Reithemeyer recognized Johnston.

Johnston said this 2010 CDBG grant received was for \$460,629.00, \$35,000 more than what was received last year. The projects will be divided into three projects: public facility projects, housing rehabs and administration.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”
Roll call: Goodwin, Kruger, Hayes, Hines, Daniel, Wright, Townzen, - Yes. Reithemeyer—abstains. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”
Roll call: Goodwin, Kruger, Hayes, Hines, Daniel, Wright, Townzen, - Yes. Reithemeyer—abstains. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #2)

ORD. #10-55 Prohibiting Improper Driving in the City of Rogers, Arkansas

The ordinance was introduced by Goodwin and read by title only by Lipscomb.

Council member Goodwin, chair of the Public Safety Committee, reported the committee had met, heard a report from City Attorney Ben Lipscomb and recommended a “Do pass”.

Goodwin recognized Lipscomb.

Lipscomb said prior to the state traffic code for careless driving there was a city ordinance similar to this that was repealed.

Lipscomb said this ordinance covers similar things as the careless driving code, but with more specificity which will allow the officer to use this ordinance and make a point without costing a driver higher court cost and fines.

Lipscomb said the City of Springdale has used a similar ordinance for the past few years and it has worked well for them.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”
Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”
Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Womack thanked everyone for enduring these past months, and no matter what the outcome of the election will be, it has been honored to either be a nominee seeking a seat in Congress or to continue to serve the City of Rogers.

There being no further business, motion by Kruger second by Reithemeyer to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Peggy David, City Clerk

Steve Womack, Mayor