

City of Arnold, Missouri

Council Meeting
Council Chambers

April 3, 2008
7:30 p.m.

Agenda

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Opening Prayer
3. Roll Call
4. Acceptance Of Minutes: **March 20, 2008**
5. Acceptance Of Warrants: **Payroll Warrant #1026 - General Warrant #5472**
6. Business From the Floor
7. Ordinances
None
8. Resolutions
A. Resolution #08-25: A Resolution Revising the Pay for City Attorney.
9. Motions
A. A Motion Regarding Group Health Insurance.
B. A Motion Amending the Contract with Standard Insurance.
10. New Business
11. Old Business
12. Committee Reports
13. Reports from Mayor and Council
14. Administrative Reports
15. Adjournment

Next Work Session Meeting: April 10th at 7:00 p.m.
Next Regular Council Meeting: April 17th at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Mark Powell called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There was a moment of silence in honor of Festus soldier, Pfc. Andrew Habsieger, who was killed while on duty in Iraq.

Those present per roll call taken by City Clerk Diane Waller: Powell, Crisler, Moritz, Brazeal, Amato (will be arriving late), Deckman, Ems, Cooley, Vinson, Unrein, Waller, Holden, Lewis, Sweeney, Boone, Shockey, Blue, and Hall.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

Al Ems moved to accept the minutes of the March 20, 2008 meeting if there are no deletions, errors, or corrections. Seconded by Butch Cooley. Roll call vote; Crisler, yes; Moritz, yes; Brazeal, yes; Amato, (excused); Deckman, yes; Ems, yes; Cooley, yes; Vinson, yes; 7 yeas; motion carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE WARRANTS:

City Clerk Diane Waller read payroll warrant #1026. Butch Cooley moved to pay payroll warrant #1026 pay period ending March 21, 2008 in the amount of \$232,516.35 if the monies are available. Seconded by Joyce Deckman. Roll call vote: Crisler, yes; Moritz, yes; Brazeal, yes; Amato (excused); yes; Deckman, yes; Ems, yes; Cooley, yes; Vinson, yes; 7 yeas, motion carried.

Mayor announced the Public Hearing regarding the Coach Mobile Home Park, originally scheduled for tonight, has been tabled until further notice.

City Clerk Diane Waller read general warrant #5472. Joyce Deckman moved to pay general warrant #5472 in the amount of \$566,281.68 if the monies are available. Seconded by Al Ems. Roll call vote: Crisler, yes; Moritz, yes, Brazeal yes; Amato (excused), Deckman, yes; Ems, yes; Cooley; yes; Vinson, yes; 7 yeas, motion carried.

Chief Shockey and members of the Jefferson County Kennel Club came to the microphone. A representative from the club gave a brief history of the club's 30 years existence and donated money to help the city with the police canines. Added they enjoy being able to help the city. The Chief expressed his gratitude and presented a plaque to show city's appreciation.

Mayor Powell added the city is very proud of what can be accomplished with the generosity of folks like this and again thanked them.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Mike Selby, 745 Irene presented a letter and photos documenting water issues at his home. He was asking for city's assistance to remedy this.

Larry Longworth, 733 Vera, added he has storm water problems at his property, which is near Mr. Selby, and added he felt the city's work on the streets has added to the problem.

Ms. Berry, 759 Irene, also talked about storm water problems and provided photos of her property.

Mr. Allen Coggins, of Mid America Solar, distributed literature regarding the new Hybrid Solar Street light installed in front of city hall.

ORDINANCES

There were no ordinances.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 08-25 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN **LEGAL SERVICES** was offered by John Brazeal. He then so moved. Seconded by Randy Crisler. Roll call vote: Crisler, yes; Moritz, yes; Brazeal, yes; Amato (excused); Deckman, yes; Ems, yes; Cooley, yes; Vinson, yes; 7 yeas. Resolution passed.

MOTIONS

A **motion** regarding health insurance was discussed. Joyce Deckman offered a motion **to award United Healthcare the provider of group health benefits for the City of Arnold employees for the year beginning May 1, 2008**, and to **offer the employees the option to reduce the deductible from \$1,000 to \$500 by sharing in the cost** of their insurance and then so moved. Seconded by Randy Crisler. Roll call vote: Crisler, yes; Moritz, yes; Brazeal, yes; Amato (excused); Deckman, yes; Ems, yes; Cooley, yes; Vinson, yes; 7 yeas. Motion carried.

A **motion** regarding group life insurance was discussed. Joyce Deckman offered a motion to **amend the Standard Insurance Group Life Policy** for the elected officials and city of Arnold employees for the year beginning May 1, 2008 and then so moved. Seconded by Bill Moritz. Roll call vote: Crisler, yes; Moritz, yes; Brazeal, yes; Amato (excused); Deckman, yes; Ems, yes; Cooley, yes; Vinson, yes; 7 yeas. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

John Brazeal brought up the rezoning of the Foxwood Development and how it was tabled last week. Since P & Z had recommended approval he would like to see this revisited and on the agenda soon.

Mr. Crisler announced that he has met with Jackson Homes and has arranged for Jackson Homes and the residents in the area surrounding this development to meet on April 24th. Mr. Crisler suggested waiting until after that meeting before taking any other action. Attorney has met and Jackson Homes are comfortable with this.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Ward 4 – Butch Cooley – Had a recycling complaint but when informed recycling will be discussed at the next work session, chose to wait on this.

Ward 1 – Paul Vinson – Announced this would probably be his last meeting as Ward 1 council person but hopes to continue to be active in city government. Expressed it had been a pleasure being on the council and working with Mayor and others officials.

Ward 4 – Al Ems – No Report.

Ward 1 – Randy Crisler – No Report

Ward 2 – John Brazeal - Welcomed Mr. Vinson as a new resident of Ward 2

Ward 3 – Joyce Deckman – Said goodbye to Mr. Vinson

Ward 2 – Bill Moritz – Thanked Mr. Vinson for all his help and added it has been a pleasure working with him.

Ward 3 - Phil Amato – excused

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Powell – Stated community involvement is very important regardless of opinions or how one votes. He added he appreciated everything Paul Vinson has done for the city and looks forward to his continued involvement.

Attorney Bob Sweeney – Acknowledged a letter had been sent out regarding Mr. Coggins and the new solar lighting.

Matt Unrein – No Report

Diane Waller – No Report

Greg Hall – Reported he had distributed a memo regarding the flood activities.

Mary Holden – No Report

Jeff Blue – No Report

Susie Boone – Reported the trivia night netted over \$10,000 for the Paw Park. On May 10th, they will build the paw park starting at 8 am that day. Dedication will be that afternoon. Reported on the damages to Arnold Park as a result of the flood waters but the entire park will be disinfected before reopening.

Mayor expressed thanks to Jeff Blue and Greg Hall for all their efforts during the flood.

John Brazeal expressed his concern about the location of the Paw Park due to the recent flooding.

Mr. Moritz echoed Mr. Brazeal's sentiment about the dog park location and questioned how one would disinfect a park?

Ms. Boone explained how the proper fluid is sprayed 2 times throughout the park. This is a very time consuming, tedious process, but needed.

Phil Amato arrived at 8:24 and stated he had been attending the Charter Meeting for Jefferson County earlier this evening.

Chief Shockey – Thanked Mr. Vinson for his support.

Phil Amato – Was excited to share information about the new L.E.D. solar light that was installed in the front of city hall. This would solve the problem of electrical needs in some older subdivisions presently without street lighting. He is hoping to go to Jefferson City and get funding for a pilot program using these lights. He invited everyone to go outside and take a look.

Representatives from Mid America Solar, Jeff Lewis and Kayla Smith, were available to answer questions and share more information about these lights.

They added these lights are 98% U.S. made, 70% Missouri made and Bob Sweeney added as a result of this, other grants could be available.

Motion to adjourn was offered by Paul Vinson. Seconded by Randy Crisler. Voice vote: motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

City Clerk