

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2008
TIME: 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Gary Herbert, Helen Gardner, Darrell Poling, Herb Hunter, Jamie Cain and Bill Wenning.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken with all present.

Minutes were approved.

Mayor Herbert opened the Public Hearing for the 421 Area Annexation Ordinance 2008-05-5. Hearing no discussion from anyone the Mayor closed the hearing.

Mayor Herbert opened the Public Hearing for the Musselman Property Annexation Ordinance 2008-05-6. Hearing no discussion from anyone the Mayor closed the hearing.

Mayor Herbert opened the Public Hearing for the Scheidler Property Annexation Ordinance 2008-05-7. Attorney Robert Wickens representing the Scheidler family spoke opposing the annexation. Hearing no other discussion the Mayor closed the hearing.

Mayor Herbert noted that Jerry Lee with American Disabilities would not be able to make the meeting.

Mayor Herbert announced Vicki Kellerman from the EDC would be next on the agenda.

Chris Bower, Treasurer for the EDC handed out a 2009 funding report requesting \$60,000 from the City. The EDC total budget is approximately \$175,000.

Vicki Kellerman reported about the USDA grant that was awarded to them in the amount of \$200,000 and can be used by the City and County. She has had several new leads in the last three weeks.

Council agreed to review the EDC request during the budget work sessions.

Bryan Robbins spoke about Resolution 2008-13, Preserve America. This gives National recognition and helps to receive other grants. It does not tie the City to anything that would cost the City money.

Motion by Herb Hunter and seconded by Bill Wenning to pass Resolution 2008-13. Ayes Herb Hunter, Bill Wenning, Darrell Poling, Jamie Cain and Helen Gardner. Nays none. So passed.

Deb Lilly of ARA spoke about a housing grant that the City could apply for in January. It is for up to \$250,000 and would help the elderly, handicapped and low income homeowners. The homeowners only have to live in the home for three years. Approximately seventeen homes could be helped with approximately \$12,700 per home. The City would have a 10% match.

Laura Johnston from the Animal Shelter spoke about Ordinance 2008-23 amending chapter 90 of the Greensburg Municipal Code and reviewed the proposed changes for animal control for the City.

Council had some questions and would like to have a chance to read the ordinance and revisit it again in October or November.

Some concerns were questioned before passing the salary ordinances for the second time about if these can still be amended and the ranges for exempted employees.

The salary ordinances can be amended before the third and final meeting. The Council is to set the ranges for the exempted employees and the mayor sets the salary within the range.

Motion by Jamie Cain and seconded by Herb Hunter to pass on 2nd reading salary ordinances 2008-16, 2008-17, 2008-18 and 2008-19. Ayes Darrell Poling, Bill Wenning, Herb Hunter, Jamie Cain and Helen Gardner. Nays none. So passed.

Mayor Herbert opened the public hearing for the 2009 budget. With no discussion held the mayor closed the hearing.

Motion by Jamie Cain and seconded by Helen Gardner to pass on 1st reading Ordinance 2008-24 approval of lease as part of the Lincoln St. financing. Ayes Darrell Poling, Jamie Cain and Helen Gardner. Nays Bill Wenning and Herb Hunter. So passed.

Discussion was held about the Councils approval of the Greensburg Redevelopment Commission Resolution 2008-2 that was passed on July 30, 2008 for condemnation of a portion of Bulk Petroleum Property. City Attorney Matt Bailey explained the need to use eminent domain on this property.

A recess was called with a motion by Helen Gardner and seconded by Jamie Cain to look over the HNTB packet on the property in question.

Meeting was back in order and session after a 30 minute recess and a motion was made by Jamie Cain and seconded by Helen Gardner to approve the Redevelopment Commission Tif Board the authority to condemn a portion of the Bulk Petroleum Property by Eminent Domain and give the City Attorney the authority to proceed. Ayes Darrell Poling, Jamie Cain and Helen Gardner. Nays Bill Wenning and Herb Hunter. So passed.

Motion by Helen Gardner and seconded by Darrell Poling to approve the Mayor to sign the Deed from the City over to the Carousel Day Care with an easement extended to the City for the Water Tower and Water and Sewer lines. Ayes Darrell Poling, Jamie Cain, Herb Hunter, Bill Wenning and Helen Gardner. Nays none. So passed.

The Mayor and Council members complimented Street Superintendent Mark Klosterkemper and the sanitation/street department employees on all their hard work dealing with all the flooding and storm damage.

They worked all day on Saturday and Sunday and were able to get a large quantity of the brush and tree limbs picked up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55

PRESIDING OFFICER:
