

HURRICANE CITY COUNCIL

August 4, 2008

The Hurricane City Council met in regular session on August 4, 2008, with the following members present:

Mayor: Scott Edwards
Recorder: Linda Gibson
Council: Reggie Billups
Lana Call
Don Chaney
Brian Ellis
Patty Hager - absent

Meeting called to order.

Pledge Allegiance.

The Mayor presented Lewis Powers a plaque for his years of service on the Hurricane Water and Sanitary Boards. Mr. Powers served 17 years and resigned due to he recently moved outside city limits.

Motion was made by Reggie Billups and seconded by Don Chaney to approve minutes of the July 7, 2008, regular session. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Reggie Billups and seconded by Brian Ellis to approve paying the bills from the General Fund. Motion carried. Call opposed.

Motion was made by Reggie Billups and seconded by Don Chaney to approve paying the bills from the Coal Severance Fund. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Lana Call and seconded by Brian Ellis to have the first reading of ORDINANCE 967.06 OTHER REGULATIONS (e) SKATEBOARDS SHALL BE ALLOWED IN THE PARK IN DESIGNATED AREA. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Reggie Billups and seconded by Brian Ellis to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement between the City of Hurricane and Hurricane Branch Library. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Reggie Billups and seconded by Linda Gibson to hire an additional Police Officer. Councilwoman Call asked why not take an officer from night shift to add to day shift. The Chief advised that safety concerns are the reasons for having four officers at night. Hurricane officers also assist the county officers when needed. Following discussion motion carried. Call opposed.

Motion was made by Don Chaney and seconded by Reggie Billups to purchase an additional police cruiser. The Chief advised that the purchase price is \$30,918. Motion carried. Call opposed.

Hurricane Fire Department Report

No report.

City Manager's Report

Ben Newhouse informed Council that inmates were working at Hampton Lane putting riffraff rock along the creek banks. Mr. Newhouse also received a call from Chili's restaurant requesting info on the Hurricane area. At Hurricane Market Place (beside Little Caesars Pizza) a Bistro will be opening by the first of September. Walgreens is moving along with the permit process. Councilman Chaney advised that he and Ben Newhouse researched the Dog & Cat ordinance and would like a copy inserted into the next mailing of water bills for public information.

Police Chief's Report

Police Chief Mike Mullins reported that the police department received a grant for four new computers for vehicles. The department has answered 50 complaints the month of July for a total of 649 for the year. Officer Campbell is working on investigation work for the department and is doing a good job.

Persons to Appear

Roy Vanater – Mr. Vanater asked about the house on Virginia Avenue that was burned. The Mayor advised that the city has been advised that the house is tied up in court on legal issues. Mr. Vanater also asked about the dredger at the reservoir. The Mayor advised that the water level has to be a certain level to operate the dredger.

Persons from Sign in Sheet

Ed Ellison – Meadow Drive asked about annexation. The Mayor advised that the city has not and does not intend to pursue annexation, but if a development or business requests annexation then we will do so if everyone is in agreement.

Al Howard – Southbrooke resident regarding the de-annexation of Chase Park. The residents of Southbrooke are not in favor of the de-annexation. The Mayor advised that Steorts have asked to be on the September agenda. The matter was tabled at the July meeting.

John Clay - Grace Drive – asked that the guard rail be moved to help when backing out of his driveway. The Mayor advised that he would check on it.

Announcements


City wide yard sale – August 16th – 8:00 to 2:00.

September council meeting will be on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 due to the Labor Day Holiday.

Old Business

New Business

Motion was made by Reggie Billups and seconded by Don Chaney that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.


Submitted _____

_____ Date

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