

Minutes
Special Called City Council Meeting
January 25, 2012

The City Council met in a Regular Scheduled City Council Meeting held at City Hall, 203 South Commerce, at 6 pm.

Officials in attendance: Mayor Bill Eaton, City Attorney Trey Smith, City Clerk Kathy Collins, Alderman Garland Steuber, Alderman Martin Irwin, Alderman Paul Northcut, Alderman Ron Knost, Alderman Burke Larkin, Alderman Mark Tripp, Kevin Freeman . Alderman Randy Horton was absent.

Guests present were as follows: Randy Gross Planning Consultant, Phil Walker Collaborative, David Harris, members of the media and David Garza.

Call to Order: Mayor Bill Eaton

Special Business:

1. Discussion of "Local Governments role in the Downtown Master Plan".

Members of the Walker Collaborative gave suggestions how the City may finance and/or supporting the revitalization of downtown Russellville. This would be through grants that are available for business owners, Federal and State tax credits for business owners, revolving loan funds where the local banks and city government work together with business owners to do renovation or expansions or new construction.

2. Consideration of Ordinance **# 2119** to Rezone Property Located at 1909 Fairway Blvd., Presently R-2 to R-0 submitted by Dave Garza of Barrett & Associates on behalf of Rick Mooney Construction.(ZO.12.01.157). Recommended by Planning Commission on a 5 for and 1 against vote.

Alderman Irwin made the motion to suspend the rules and read the Ordinance one time by title only with a second by Alderman Larkin. Motion fails on a 4/3 roll call vote with Aldermen Irwin, Freeman, Tripp and Larking voting in favor. Aldermen Knost and Steuber voted nay. Alderman Horton was absent. After some discussion Alderman Irwin made the motion to reconsider to suspend the rules and read the Ordinance one time by title only with a short explanation. Alderman Tripp seconded the motion. Motion carries on a roll 6/1call vote. Aldermen Irwin, Northcut, Freeman, Tripp, Steuber and

Larkin voting in favor with Alderman Knost voting nay. Alderman Horton was absent. Alderman Irwin made the motion to suspend the rules and read the Ordinance one time by title seconded by Alderman Larkin. Motion carries on a voice vote. Mayor Eaton read the Ordinance as instructed. (Note: City Attorney Trey Smith was expected in Court). Alderman Irwin made the motion to adopt with a second by Alderman Larkin. Motion carries on a 6/1 roll call vote. Aldermen Irwin, Northcut, Freeman, Tripp, Steuber, and Larkin voting in favor. Alderman Knost voted against and Alderman Horton was absent.

3. Consideration of Resolution **#1267** to Issue a Special Use Permit to allow an Assisted Living Center (Southridge at Russellville Assisted Living Center) in an R-0 for Property Located at 1909 Fairway Blvd. submitted by Dave Garza of Barrett & Associates on behalf of Rick Mooney Construction (SP.12.01.109). Recommended by Planning Commission on a 5 for and 1 against vote.

Alderman Irwin made the motion to adopt the Resolution with a second by Alderman Larkin. Motion carries on a 6/1 roll call vote. Aldermen Irwin, Northcut, Freeman, Tripp, Steuber and Larkin voting in favor. Alderman Knost voting nay. Alderman Randy Horton was absent.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Alderman Irwin, second by Alderman Freeman. Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 pm.

Mayor Bill Eaton

ATTEST: Kathy Collins, City Clerk

Date: February 16, 2012