

**AUGUST 20, 2007
CITY OF SENOIA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
IMMEDIATELY AFTER PUBLIC HEARING**

VISITORS: Jane Hutchinson, Jim & Melinda Garver, Anton & Linda DeAllen, Sam & Suzanne Helfman, Bill Roy, Lee Coleman, Dan Spencer, Paul & Ann Price, Sue Wells, Don Yarbrough, Dave Moye, Claudia & Bill Wood, Mary Provost, Bob Werner, Aime Scarbrough, Rachel and William Wood, Gail Downs, Kim Resmondo, John Thompson, Sarah Campbell, Chief Bennett and Captain Edens

FULL COUNCIL PRESENT

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME VISITORS**
Mayor Belisle called the meeting to order and welcomed all

- 2. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 6, 2007 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES-IMPACT ORD.**
C. Grover made motion to approve the August 6, 2007 Public Hearing minutes & was 2nd by C. Owens. Vote to approve was 4-0-1. C. Graham abstained (absent from meeting)
APPROVAL OF AUGUST 6, 2007 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES-MILLAGE
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APPROVAL OF AUGUST 6, 2007 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
C. Owens made motion to approve the August 6, 2007 City Council minutes & was 2nd by C. Grover. Vote to approve was 4-0-1. C. Graham abstained (absent from meeting)

- 3. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS**
 - A. 2nd Read-Amendment to Impact Fee Ordinance**
Mayor Belisle made motion to approve the 2nd read to the amendment (exemption clause) to the Impact Fee Ordinance & was 2nd by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Dept. of Transportation Resolution-SR 85/74 & SR 16**
Mr. Ferry explained that this is two part consisting of a contract with DOT for work to be done at SR 16 @ SR 74/85 as well as the resolution, stating that the City would relocate the water lines and will be responsible for 30% of the cost of adjustment and/or installation of the sewer manholes at this location. After short discussion, C. Owens made motion to approve the Resolution and contract for work to be performed by DOT & was 2nd by C. Graham. Motion carried unanimously.
 - C. CMAQ-Ecology Study**
Mr. Ferry stated that in 2001 the City made a CMAQ application to construct a pedestrian/bike lane which would connect the Seavy Street Park to the Leroy Johnson Park on Howard Road. The project was initially delayed because of citywide sewer installation. With the acquisition of the 47 acres on Pylant Street, the plans are being reworked to include the lane to go through the new park. It has been recommended through the concept report that the City have an Ecological Study done. This is an unbudgeted item that will need Council approval. Mr. Ferry stated that Mr. Lundsford of Lundsford Consultants can perform this study at a cost of \$4,800. After short discussion, C. Grover made motion to have the Ecology Study done by Lundsford Consultants at a cost of \$4,800 & was 2nd by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.

- 4. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Certificate of Appropriateness-10 Standing Rock/Exterior Renovation

Mayor Belisle made motion to approve the COA for exterior renovations at 10 Standing Rock Road & was 2nd by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Springdale Homeowners Association-Stop Sign Request-Postpone 9/4/07**C. Street Closing for DDA Car Show**

Gail Downs of the DDA informed Council that there are currently 200 cars registered for the 3rd annual Car show & is asking Council that Main Street from Johnson to the Coffee Shop, Seavy Street east to Barnes and Seavy Street west to Baggarly be closed from 10 am to 10 pm to accommodate. Ms. Downs added that the lot formally known as Danny's will be used for downtown merchant parking. C. Owens asked if the DDA has heard from any businesses & was told no. Mayor Belisle stated that parking for our merchants has been addressed and provided. After short discussion, Mayor Belisle made motion to approve the street closings as outlined above & was 2nd by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ferry asked that DDA consult with Chief Bennett and Randy Padgett & make them aware of their plans

D. Appointment to Downtown Development Authority

DDA Chair Suzanne Helfman informed Council that two terms are up in August and a resignation was submitted. Ms. Helfman stated that Tray Baggarly will still be involved with the DDA but will be stepping down as member. Ms. Helfman thanked Mr. Baggarly for all of his contributions to the authority. Ms. Gail Downs has agreed to another 4-year term. A letter of interest was received from Rachel Wood to serve and the DDA is making recommendation that Ms. Downs and Ms. Wood be appointed members. C. Grover made motion to approve the appointment of Gail Downs and Rachel Wood to the Downtown Development Authority & was 2nd by C. Graham. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Parks & Recreation Committee-Set Town Hall Meeting Date

Mayor and Council have scheduled a Town Hall Meeting for Thursday, September 20th at 7:00 PM at the Senior Citizens Center on Howard Road. All residents are encouraged to attend.

5. OLD BUSINESS**A. Appointment to Senoia Library Board**

Mayor Belisle stated that the City has received three resignations from the Library board this past month and received three letters of interest to serve from Jack Humphrey, Sharon Boyer and Glenna Hicks. Mayor Belisle made motion to appoint these three to serve on the Senoia Library Board and was 2nd by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimous. Mayor Belisle then thanked Totsie McKnight, Mary Ann Reese and Elaine Hayes for their many years of service to the City.

6. APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR

Citizen comments should relate to specific agenda items, not listed on the agenda for a Public Hearing, or to a concern within the jurisdiction of the City. Council meetings serve the purpose of conducting city business and are not a forum for the unlimited expression of opinion. If an item is listed on the agenda for a Public Hearing, you will have an opportunity at that time to comment on the particular matter. All comments should be limited to three (3) minutes. The Mayor reserves the right to limit comments to matters germane to city business and may refer speakers to the City Administrator or other staff for resolution. Comments shall be addressed to the Council as a whole and not to individual councilmen or staff. The Mayor shall maintain decorum and unruly behavior will not be tolerated.

Dan Spencer of 201 Shannon Court stated that with all the new development in the area asked Council to consider bringing mountain biking into the City. Mr. Spencer continued to say that currently there is nothing from Jackson to Stone Mountain and having trails would bring a lot of enthusiasts to the City. With the energy crisis and the instability of oil, Mr. Spencer also asked Council to research Peak Oil and their plans to address this situation in the future. Mayor Belisle indicated that he was unaware of what Peak Oil was, will research and invited Mr. Spencer to the Town Hall Meeting for further discussion.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **DDA Car Show Scheduled for Saturday, September 22nd 2-10:00 PM**
- **Qualifying for Mayor and two Council seats will take place from Mon. August 27th through Wed August 29th from 8:30-4:30 pm. Qualifying fee for Mayor is \$360.00 and Council \$90.00**
- **Persons interested in serving on the Planning Commission or Historic Preservation Commission are asked to submit a letter of interest**

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER §50-14-3 (6) FOR PERSONNEL

Mayor Belisle made motion to close regular session and move into Executive Session under §50-14-3 (6) for Personnel & was 2nd by C. Graham. To approve motion: Belisle, Graham, Grover, Harrison and Owens.

Mayor Belisle made motion to return to regular session & was 2nd by C. Harrison. To approve motion: Belisle, Graham, Grover, Harrison and Owens

Mayor Belisle made motion to raise the annual salary for City Administrator Richard Ferry to \$70,000. This motion was 2nd by C. Grover and carried unanimously. Mayor Belisle then made motion to raise the annual salary for Public Works Director Randy Padgett to \$50,000 & was 2nd by C. Grover. Motion carried unanimously.

9. ADJOURN

C. Owens made motion to adjourn the August 20, 2007 City Council meeting & was 2nd by C. Grover. Motion carried unanimously.