

**City of Crescent Springs**  
**Regular Council Meeting Minutes**  
**April 11, 2011 - 7:00 P.M.**

Those in attendance included the following:

**Council Members:**

Christie Arlinghaus- present  
John Goering- present  
Lou Hartfiel- present  
Dale Ramsey - present  
Tom Vergamini- present  
Matt Zeck- present

**Jim Collett, Mayor - present**

Joe Baker, City Attorney - present  
George Ripberger, Public Serv Dir- present  
Sue Hill, City Clerk - present

**Others in attendance:** Martin Shribner  
Norma Lutz, Michael Reinersman, Ben Kraft

Mayor Collett called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Zeck made a motion to approve the minutes of the **March 14, 2011 Regular Council Meeting**. Mr. Hartfiel seconded, and upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

- Mr. Zeck reported that the Finance Committee met in March and continues to monitor City's finances. The City finances seem to be in good shape. The next meeting will be held April 21st at 5pm at the City Building.
- The committee inquired about the feasibility of paying off the 2002 Street Assessment Loan held through the KLC, however the pre-payment penalty would be approximately \$7,800 and it was decided that that was too high to justify. We currently owe \$270,000 in principal, and the final payment will be September 2012.

**PUBLIC SERVICES REPORT**

- Mr. Ripberger reported on the Safe Routes To School (SRTS) grant: The engineering plan has been submitted to Frankfort. Once it is approved, the City will advertise for bids. Construction could begin mid-May. The contract will include a provision for liquidated damages for each day the work remains unfinished beyond the contract completion date.
- The FEMA grant for the Public Works garage generator has been held up due to some compliance issues with the National Flood Plane Insurance regulations. The City has an ordinance on its agenda for later tonight to bring it in compliance.

- The Five Year Road Plan has been completed and the Mayor will be reviewing it with Mr. Ripberger tomorrow after which it will be distributed to Council.
- Mr. Ripberger reported that the salt bins are full now, so no more salt will be ordered this year, however he recommends putting approximately \$11,000 more in next years budget for salt.
- The bobcat purchased in 1997 may need to be replaced. It has corroded because of using it to load the salt. The newer bobcat is being used for mulch and gravel, and should not be used with the salt because of its electronics.
- Mr. Ripberger has met with the American Commercial representatives regarding new tenants proposed in the Buttermilk Crossing complex. Two tenants are in negotiation at this time.
- Mr. Shribner, with the NKAPC, reported that at the April 7th public hearing KC& MP&ZC reviewed the MLU text amendment. There was some discussion concerning the medical office terminology and the commission voted unanimously to recommend the adoption of the proposed text amendment to the MLU zone.

### **FIRE AUTHORITY REPORT**

- Mr. Vergamini reported that the budget was approved for next year, with no increases to the Cities.
- The new fire permit process seems to be working well.
- The Firehouse fish fries continue through April 22nd.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Collett reported that we have now received the annexation study from the NKADD. Mr. Ripberger, Mr. Baker and Mayor Collett will be meeting tomorrow to review the report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Mr. Ripberger reported that the steel from the World Trade Center is here and on display at the Firehouse. The monument committee will consist of Lou Hartfiel, Mike Martin, Greg Pullman, Jeff Wendt and Lou Prabell. The next meeting will be April 13th at 5:30. The goal for completion is the 10 year anniversary of the event; to be memorialized at the Park on Thursday, September 8th (tentatively).
- Mr. Ripberger reported on the status of the review of the policy dictating the usage of the soccer fields by residents. The consensus of the Council is that the field should be open for all to enjoy whenever the soccer league is not in session. However, during soccer season, the league has priority. The City will have signs posted at times when the field is either too wet or is under maintenance and city workers or the police will have the duty to inform anyone violating that directive to leave immediately.
- Mayor Collett reminded us of the Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday at 1:00 at the Park. Thank you to Little Red Schoolhouse for sponsoring this by supplying the games and the workers.
- The next Finance Meeting will be April 21st at 5:00pm. Discussion will center on next year's budget.
- The City offices will be closed on Friday, April 22nd for the Easter Holiday.
- There will be a Special Meeting on Monday, April 25th at 7:00, prior to the Caucus meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **Ordinance 2011-3 Special Flood Hazard Areas Standards** - Mr. Baker read the ordinance by Title and Summary and an emergency was declared dispensing with the necessity of two readings. Discussion arose as to where this applied in our City, and the answer is that there is only a small area along Bromley-Crescent Springs Road which lies in a flood plane. It is still necessary in order to comply with Federal standards required in order to receive any kind of FEMA grant. Mr. Zeck made a motion to approve the ordinance, Ms. Arlinghaus seconded, and upon roll call vote, the motion was approved unanimously.
- **Ordinance 2011-4 Text Amendment to MLU Zone** - Mr. Baker presented the first reading of the ordinance by Title and Summary to accept the recommendation of the KC& MP&ZC and to amend the text of the zoning code concerning the MLU zone and certain definitions.
- **Ordinance 2011-5 Amending Gross Receipts and Occupational License Fees for the City** - Mr. Baker presented the first reading of the proposed amendment to the exemption section of the City's gross receipt tax code provision. More research will be done on the effects of this change.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Goering made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Zeck seconded and all agreed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:44pm.

**ATTESTED BY:**

*Susan G. Hill*

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City Clerk

*James Collett*

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Mayor

*May 9, 2011*

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_