



Meeting Minutes - Final  
City Council

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Monday, February 2, 2015

4:00 PM

Conference Room

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Work Session

Call to Order

Council President Wayne Trawick called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

All Council members were present. Also present were Mayor John Koniar, Mike Thompson, Vickey Southern, Sandra Pate, Katy Taylor, Leslie Gahagan, Steven Smith, Thurston Bullock, Jessica Middleton, LaDonna Hinesley, David Wilson, Rachel Keith, Taylor Davis, Dan Hellmich, Joey Darby, Chad Christian, Pam Harris, David White, Mike Thoelkeld, James Sowers (Foley Onlooker), Jeff Nelson (Jeff Nelson Studios), and Cmdr. Ed Chavis (American Legion).

**Present:** 5 - President Wayne Trawick, Council Member Vera Quaites, Council Member Ralph Hellmich, Council Member Rick Blackwell and Council Member Charles Ebert III

Discussion Items

[15-0061](#)

American Legion's request to continue their turkey shoot

**Attachments:** [1007-07 ORD.pdf](#)

Chief Wilson reported he had a meeting with Mike, the Mayor and Cmdr. Chavis regarding the American Legion's Turkey Shoot, which is their fundraiser one Sunday a month from September through April. The City's ordinance dealing with no shooting within the City's corporate limits was done to deter illegal shooting. The American Legion's event would fall under the special event section of the ordinance that requires them getting approval from the City Council to hold the turkey shoot. Since the City is growing the buildings have been going up around the American Legion Chief Wilson met Cmdr. Chavis at the American Legion to ensure they met the 200 yard of a building requirement. Chief Wilson recommended the Turkey Shoot be approved from now until April with the stipulation that only shot guns are used and no building are constructed within 200 yards of their shooting range and that they use the distant as set forth by the Chief. Cmdr. Chavis reported there is also a 12' berm behind the range, a safety shooting shed whereby a person hands the participate 9 shot for the shot guns and they are only allowed to shoot when they are told. The Legion furnishes the shells so that they ensure that all the shells are the same. They have been doing this fundraiser since 1953 and at that time were using .22 rifles only on the last shot but that is not allowed any more. This item was added to the Council meeting agenda.

Enactment No: 15-2047-RES

## Discuss Council Meeting Agenda of February 2, 2015

**15-0005 (Second Reading) Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Billboard Conversion to Single Sign Face - This is the second reading of the ordinance and the item remained on the Council meeting agenda.**

**15-0020 Ordinance approving petition for annexation and bringing property into the corporate limits of the City of Foley (MTSC Land Development) - This annexation is for property owned by the Teem's who sold it and the new owners want to annex via contiguity instead of waiting on the Legislative Annexation. The legal descriptions were removed from the draft proposed Legislative Bill. They are also requesting to waive the initial zoning fee since they would not be paying a fee had they waited for the Legislative Annexation. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.**

**15-0026 Approve expansion and paving of the Foley Municipal Airport Long-Term Parking Area - Rachel Keith reported the parking is currently gravel and they would like to expand the paved portion of the lot by 850 square yards. R&S Paving and Grading submitted a quote in the amount of \$43,150 for the work and the payment would be through bond funds. The project is on the Capital Projects list. Councilman Blackwell asked how much the City was charging for parking. Rachel reported it is \$120 per vehicle per year. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.**

**15-0040 Centennial Celebration Video Production Contract - Suzanne reported Jeff Nelson was present. She explained the Centennial Committee recommended contracting with Jeff Nelson Studios for his videography services to capture the events of Foley's Centennial Celebration. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.**

**15-0044 Fork Lift and Bucket Truck Surplus Request - Dan Hellmich reported these items are no longer needed and can be put on GovDeals.com.**

**15-0045 Declaring certain items as surplus and authorizing the disposal of same - Mike Thompson reported the items stored in the Medistat building included the ones damaged by the flood. Some of the items are not worth anything and just need to be tossed out and it doesn't make sense to move them to the new storage facility. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.**

**15-0046 Gradall and Backhoe surplus request - Dan reported the Gradall is a 1990 model and costs money with a lot of down time. The backhoe is a 1980 model and it has rear end problems. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.**

**15-0047 IT Surplus Request - Jessica Middleton reported the list includes computers, monitors and keyboards, none of which are in working condition. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.**

**15-0048 Memorialize and accept the Walmart Foundation Local Facility Giving Program Grant - Chief Darby reported last month someone from the Walmart team contacted him regarding 2014 grant money. They only had 36 hours to get the application in so they submitted the application and heard back very**

shortly that they had received the grant in the amount of \$1,000 to be used for the Fire Prevention Program and Smoke Alarm Program. The Fire Department has three programs. The first program deals with new parents at the hospital. If they don't have a smoke detector in their home they are sent one with them when the mother and baby go home. The second program is where citizens can call the Department and request one. If they don't have one they not only get one but the Department will install it for them. The third program deals with on-site inspections. If they don't have one they install a new smoke detector. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0049 Consider appointment to the Historical Commission - Miriam reported they recommended appointing Kathy LeDrew. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0051 Resolution moving Jerry Wilkey from an alternate position to a regular member and add Terry Young as a new Alternate member - This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0052 Approve funding for ADEM NPDES General Permit for the Foley Municipal Airport - Rachel reported the City approved the application and hiring Volkert to do the work but the funding was never appropriated. Leslie Gahagan reported she would be doing the testing. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0053 Accept AHC 2015 Capital Enhancement Grant Program for \$3,000 - Miriam reported the City applied for a grant and received \$3,000 for repainting the Depot. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0055 Facade Improvement Incentive Grant Program - Miriam Boutwell reported Kathleen Baskin applied for a Facade Improvement Incentive Grant in the amount of \$10,000 for the structure located at 515 North McKenzie Street. The funds will be used to do general renovations such as replace glass, trim work, sign work and landscaping. The grant covers the \$5,000 reimbursement to Ms. Baskin. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0056 Application for FY14 SAFER Grant - Chief Darby reported the deadline for the next round of grants March 6, 2015. The grant would fund nine new firefighters for an annual salary of \$62,570 for two years. After the two year term the City will have to assume the funding. They are currently behind one year. The award process will begin in June 1, 2015 and end September 30, 2015. The two years begins from the time the new firefighters are hired. During the last year the City had a SAFER grant so they should have a better chance of getting the grant this year especially since they have everything for the Station #3 in place. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0062 Contract Agreement for Consultation Services for a Christmas Decoration Plan - This item was requested to be removed as the Beautification's Christmas Decoration Committee was not ready to bring it forward at this time.

15-0064 Renewing a One Year Contract with Adams & Reese, LLP - This is the annual contract and the 3rd year they have been working with the City. They have the resources the City doesn't have. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0066 Setting a public hearing declaring weeds to be a public nuisance and ordering its abatement at vacant property south of Crown Walk Entrance - This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0067 Setting a public hearing declaring weeds to be a public nuisance and ordering its abatement at vacant property north of Crown Walk Entrance - This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0068 Approve purchase of utility trailer for Street Department - Dan reported the utility trailer has a 17' tilt deck and 4' stationary deck. This is a budgeted item in the amount of \$8,000 and the lowest price is from Beard Equipment Company in the amount of \$6,305. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0069 Survey of South Hickory Street / CR20 West - Taylor Davis reported this is for the detention pond between Hampton Park and Ashford Park subdivisions. HMR submitted a proposal for a survey to address the drainage issues in that area. Once the survey has been completed they will have a better idea of how to plan the project for proper drainage. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0070 Request to go to bid on Wolf Creek Park Phase II - Leslie Gahagan reported there is a tight timeline to finish the County's requirements. They need to spend \$100,000 before May and once that it finished they City's obligations are completed. The final phase will include design improvements of a boardwalk connecting the fishing pier and kayak launch and a pavilion where the pole barn was located. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0071 Set a public hearing to consider the vacation of right of ways on two separate areas of Beck Road - Mike reported there are two pieces of Beck Road that need to be vacated. One piece crosses the ball fields and the other piece crosses BC Foley property. The road will be rerouted to put Beck back over to Pride Drive and Chad has been working with property owners to secure the right of way. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0072 West Michigan Avenue Pipe Replacement - Taylor Davis reported they would like to replace the corrugated metal pipe that is rotted out on the west side of the Aaronville ball field entrance and replace it with reinforced concrete pipe. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

Councilman Hellmich reported there is a dip in the sidewalk on West Michigan Avenue that turns into a pond. He asked if there was any way to work on the first swell to connect to the ditch so that it will drain properly. Taylor will look into this.

15-0073 Request to create an email marketing campaign - LaDonna requested the use of budgeted funds for an e-newsletter to go out to all the visitors. The e-newsletter will be bi-monthly and she will be working with the contractor very closely. The database will be developed through email addresses from the VisitFoley.org site, those who come into the Welcome Center and sign up, and those that participate in numerous events that sign up for prizes. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0074 Amending Section 1 of Resolution 14-0533 Request to develop a Graham Creek Preserve website and marketing campaign - This item amends the account number and is a house keeping matter. The item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0077 Request for additional funding to complete Wolf Creek Stream Restoration - Leslie reported there is a need for additional funding to spread and move the excavated materials, which will require renting equipment. Dan's department will do the labor. This item remained on the Council meeting agenda.

15-0078 Approval of the capital purchase of an entire new store front for City Hall - Vickey reported she and Katy could not get the doors locked after the last Council meeting had it not been for David White helping them. The store front is in need of replacement. Councilman Hellmich noted they are over 40 years old and it was time for them to be replaced. Pam reported the cost includes replacing the Receptionist door with a store front door as it can no longer be repaired. The impact glass is rated for 140 mph winds and they will still have the capability to cover them in case of a hurricane.

### **Mayor's Comments**

There were no comments to report.

### **Visitor's Comments**

There were no comments to report.

### **Adjourn**

Hearing no further comments the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.