

**Minutes
of the
Anchorage City Council Meeting**

**July 14, 2008
6:00 PM**

The Council members in attendance were: Bill Wetherton, Susan Mitchell, Brian Rublein, Neil Ramsey, Dan Heiskell, and Roger Durham. Mayor Hewitt presided. Also in attendance were Assistant to the Mayor Alice McKinley; City Clerk Nan Schlindwein; Public Works Director Erwin Booth; City Attorney John McGarvey; Police Chief Chris Winders; Treasurer Renee Major; and guest Stephen Kottkamp.

Mayor Hewitt called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

MINUTES

The minutes from the June 9, 2008, Regular Meeting of City Council were presented. Wetherton motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Ramsey, and Council voted unanimously to approve. The minutes from the July 7, 2008, Special Meeting of City Council were presented. Durham motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Rublein, and Council voted unanimously to approve.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The City's check register and financial report for June 2008 were presented. Council member Ramsey asked the amount of the City's contributions to Kentucky Retirement Systems. McGarvey explained that the monies contributed are not segregated by city but put into a pool.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Winders presented the June 2008 police report. He stated that there has been little activity this summer, incidents easily handled and minor in severity. The police were called on an incident the Fourth of July at Owl Creek Country Club regarding youth drinking and defiance with authority.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

There was no meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission in June.

FORESTRY BOARD

The minutes from the June 2, 2008, Forestry Board meeting was presented. The Mayor directed any questions to Diane McAllister, Forestry Board Chairman.

OLD BUSINESS

The Kentucky Department of Insurance will be sending out notices in January to all insurance carriers notifying them of the cities they cover. City Attorney McGarvey suggested the City make no changes to the tax rate as this notice will ensure the City receives revenues due from insurance premium taxes.

NEW BUSINESS

The second readings of three ordinances related to the transferring and receiving of property with the City of Middletown and the closing of Johnson Avenue will take place at a later date.

Mitchell did a second reading of an ordinance adopting the annual budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, by estimating revenues and resources and appropriating funds for the operation of City government. Mayor Hewitt stated the budget will be reviewed in the fall and amended. Rublein seconded the motion and the ordinance was unanimously passed.

Mitchell did a first reading of an ordinance repealing an ordinance that established a supplemental tax for trash collection and recycling services. Currently this tax is rolled into the City's property tax rate.

McKinley requested Council approve the final payment to MAC Construction for the sewer project that included a final restoration overage of \$3389.37 and the retainage fee of \$143,344.78. Ramsey made the motion, seconded by Rublein, to approve the final payment and Council unanimously approved. Heiskell said that he knew of one unresolved issue with a Little Lane resident. It was noted that the homeowner had never filed a claim with MAC Construction.

Council Members Durham and Wetherton will schedule two residents' meeting to discuss the City's floor area ratio ordinance. He will let McKinley know of the dates and times and City Hall will mail out notices to residents. Council Member Ramsey chairs the Wagner Park committee and will pick two dates for residents' meeting to discuss the future of the park and home. He will forward these dates to McKinley and a mailing will be sent out to all Anchorage residents.

Barb Sweet will be resigning as the City's Zoning Officer and Tax Assessor. Resident Paul Bergmann has agreed to take over the position as Zoning Officer and will sit in on the weekly zoning meetings throughout the summer and assume the position in the fall. Bergmann was previously the Executive Director of Metro Louisville Planning Commission and assisted the City of Anchorage years ago with rezoning issues. He also has experience in architectural review. Monica Westhusing has been approached regarding the position of Tax Assessor and will make a decision soon.

McGarvey will create an ordinance for the City that deals with golf carts on public right of ways. The ordinance will further refine recent senate bill requirements.

City maintenance presented two items, a hedge trimmer and a 60" riding mower, as surplus. Ramsey made the motion, seconded by Rublein, to deem these items surplus so they can be auctioned off on Gov Deals. Council unanimously approved.

The use of the police department's Ford Escape was taken off the agenda as it will be needed for use at the police department.

Mitchell presented recommendations to Council on road edge repairs that she and Joe Roehrig have reviewed in the sewer project area. It has been decided City maintenance will place white reflectors down portions of Hazelwood and Hobbs Park Roads where there are steep drop-offs.

McKinley reported that several realtors organized open houses in Anchorage on Wednesday, July 9. Sign violations were seen and notices of fines will be sent out. An appeal of fines for sign violations was presented for realtor Kip Kimmel. As the appeal is outside of the allowed timeframe for review, his appeal could not be reviewed.

Council went in to executive session at 7:02 p.m. and came out at 7:15 p.m. to close the meeting.

W. Thomas Hewitt,
Mayor

Nan Schlindwein,
City Clerk

