

**MINUTES  
of the  
ANCHORAGE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**February 12, 2007  
6:00 PM**

The Council members in attendance were as follows: Susan Mitchell, Brian Rublein, Jim Holtman, Bill Wetheron, Dan Heiskell, and Roger Durham. Mayor Tommy Hewitt presided. Also in attendance were Assistant to the Mayor Alice McKinley; City Attorney John McGarvey; Treasurer Jim Johnson; City Clerk Nan Schlindwein; Police Chief Chris Winders; and guests Julie Pogue, Jeff McKenzie, Vicky King and Jerry Cantrell from Bellewood Children's Home, Doc Trentham, Mary Davis, and Clyde Ensor.

Mayor Hewitt called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**MINUTES**

The minutes from the January 8, 2007, regular meeting were presented. Durham made the motion, seconded by Mitchell, and unanimously approved by Council to accept the minutes. The minutes from the January 23, 2007, special meeting were presented. After a correction from Wetheron, Mitchell made the motion, seconded by Durham, and unanimously approved by Council to accept the minutes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

The City's check register and financial report for January 2007 were presented. Durham asked about multiple entries of C & R Graphics. Johnson replied that these were payments for several months of printing of The Anchor Age. He also asked why a cash balance report was not included each month with the financial report. Johnson replied that he regularly gives this information to the Mayor. Mayor Hewitt reported that, due to the cost of repairs to Bellewood bridge, Evergreen bridge (cost between \$60,000.00 and \$90,000.00), and the sewer project (estimated at \$1.8 million), the City will experience a deficit cash flow that will last approximately six weeks. The City will need to borrow funds to pay for these projects and provide cash flow until June when tax dollars come in. The amount to be borrowed is to be determined.

**POLICE REPORT**

Chief Winders presented the January 2007 police report. No questions or concerns were raised. He reported that the federal grant the police department had gotten with the help of former Congresswoman Ann Northup had recently run out. The \$18,000.00 was used to purchase cameras, computers, and other miscellaneous police equipment.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

There was no Historic Preservation Commission meeting the month of January.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mitchell read the second reading of the ordinance amending sections 152.15 and 152.17 to allow the appointment of non-voting members to the Historic District Commission. There was no discussion. Durham seconded the motion and it was unanimous passed.

## NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Hewitt introduced Jerry Cantrell, the Director of Bellewood Children's Home. As an update to Council is required each February on the home, McKinley presented one done by the Kentucky Division of Regulated Child Care that reported nothing of significance.

A variance request for secondary signage was presented to Council. The homeowners of 15 Anchorage Pointe have their home for sale and are requesting permission for secondary signage to be placed at the entrance of the neighborhood. They have received permission from Brad Farrar who represents the homeowners association. Durham had concerns that allowing this extra signage encourages further requests. Mitchell stated that if this home was approved because of these conditions, one-third of the homes in Anchorage could viably request the same when selling their homes. The request will be tabled for two weeks while Council reviews.

The Mayor presented the 2007 Mayoral appointments. With Wetherton becoming a non-voting member of HPC, a slot will open that will later be filled. The only change from last year's appointments is Monica Westhusing replacing Hope Entwistle on the Board of Tax Supervisors. Rublein made the motion to accept the appointments, which was seconded by Holtman and unanimously approved by Council.

A resolution was introduced to Council that would forward recent recommendations for allowable floor area ratios for residential development in Anchorage to the Louisville Metro Planning Commission for opinion and approval. Upon approval, the City will then prepare an ordinance that supports these recommendations. Mitchell made the motion to accept the resolution, which was seconded by Holtman and unanimously passed by Council.

The first reading of an ordinance imposing a moratorium on certain residential zoning compliance certificates to allow a study of floor area ratios for residential development was read by Mitchell. This ordinance mirrors the previous ordinance that had a first reading at the January City Council meeting except that issues relating to impervious surfaces were deleted. A committee of the Mayor, Durham, Wetherton, and Heiskell will work on an ordinance that addresses impervious surfaces to the satisfaction of Council. McGarvey informed Council that Shelby County and Altawood Court already have impervious surface restrictions in effect. This moratorium will give the Louisville Planning Commission time to respond to the City's zoning changes and the City time to then prepare an appropriate ordinance.

Jeff McKenzie presented a request for signage at Bellewood Children's Home. The current sign is cracked and is in need of an update. The home wants to position the new sign perpendicular to the street so it can better be seen. He stated that the children's home did not require a variance for the new signage due to the Conditional Use Permit they have from Metro Louisville. Mitchell replied the sign will still need to come before Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission for approval. Wetherton said that the Commission will compare this request to the school's current signage and to the sign in front of Anchorage Crossings. It was decided that the home will do a preliminary presentation to HPC next Tuesday.

The meeting went into executive session at 6:45 p.m. Council came back into session at 7:06 p.m. The resolution was made that counsel for the City in the action styled Angela and Scott Clark vs. the City of Anchorage is authorized to pursue any appropriate sanctions including attorneys' fees upon termination of the action. The meeting adjourned.

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W. Thomas Hewitt,  
Mayor

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Nan Schlindwein,  
City Clerk

