

**JOURNAL OF THE COUNCIL
CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON**

The council met in its chambers in City Hall on June 5, 2008 at 7:30 p.m., EDT for the first meeting and was called to order by Mayor Mullens.

Margie Spence, City Clerk, called the roll and the following members were present:

Ben Paul	Kent Rymer
Sonny Holstine	Gerri Jude
Dayton Griffith	Paul Neal
Jeff Means	Mayor Mullens

Absent was: Jef Stevens.

PRAYER

Offered by Dayton Griffith.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Margie Spence.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Margie Spence, City Clerk
 Jim Wood Chief, Fire Department
 Brad Rinehart, Chief, Police Department
 Danny Smith, Director, SCCC
 Gerald Burgy, Director of Public Works
 Carlton Lee, City Manager
 Hanna Pettit, City Treasurer
 Mark Clark, Attorney
 Steve DeBarr, Director, Sanitary Board/Engineer

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr. Paul moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of May 15, 2008; seconded by Mr. Griffith and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

It was moved by Mr. Paul; seconded by Mr. Means to approve the financial report. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

REPORT OF DOWNTOWN PARKING COMMITTEE (GRIFFITH)

Council President Griffith reported on the downtown parking situation. He stated two-hour sign will remain in place with the exception of First to Fourth avenues which will have the time limits removed.

Businesses that have parking limits will have to petition city council to be issued passes to allow customers to parking longer without being ticketed. Extended parking permits will not be automatically issued. Businesses will have to show their customers need to park for a longer time.

Additionally, all businesses in the area will be sent letters with maps asking their employees to use one of the three free city-owned lots.

CENTRAL AVENUE OVERPASS (GRIFFITH)

This item was removed.

RECOGNIZE SCHS GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM (HOLSTINE)

This item was removed.

REAPPOINTMENT OF IDA MAE SNODGRASS TO HOUSING AUTHORITY (MAYOR)

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Ms. Jude to approve the appointment. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

DISCUSSION REGARDING WEST VIRGINIA AMERICAN WATER RATE INCREASE REQUEST (MAYOR)

This item will be placed on the next agenda.

RESOLUTION BUDGET REVISION GENERAL FUND #2008-01-01 (MEANS)

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Mr. Griffith to approve the resolution. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION BUDGET REVISION COAL SEVERANCE #2008-02-01 (MEANS)

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Mr. Paul to approve the resolution. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO RENEW THE CHARLESTON/KANAWHA HOUSING CONSORTIUM (MAYOR)

It was moved by Mr. Paul; seconded by Mr. Means to approve the resolution. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE FROM AN R-0 (RESIDENTIAL OFFICE) TO A C-8 (COMMERCIAL) PROPERTY AT 4821 MCCLUNG STREET (FIRST READING) (MAYOR)

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Mr. Paul to pass the ordinance on to a second reading. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS

RENEWAL OF CITYS LIABILITY INSURANCE

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Mr. Paul to award the bid to Commercial Insurance Services in the amount of \$444, 555.77. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY – No written report.

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – No written report.

REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF – No written report.

REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF – No written report.

REPORT OF RECREATION COMMITTEE – No written report but Mr. Holstine reported there will be a recreation meeting June 18 at the ice arena.

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER – No written report. Mayor Mullens introduced new city treasurer, Hanna Pettit.

REPORT OF SANITARY BOARD MANAGER/ENGINEER– No written report.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER – Mr. Lee reported on the collection of taxes for two businesses discovered operating in the city.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Means moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Paul and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Mullens adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

APPROVAL

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2008.

Frank A. Mullens, Jr. Mayor

ATTEST:

Margie Spence, City Clerk

