

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE  
JANUARY 22, 2008**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session in the Council Room of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, January 22, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., at which time and place the following were present:

Diane Sayre	Mayor
Melinda Scifres	City Clerk
Lawrence Dorroh	City Counselor
Chris Riggs	Chief of Police
Rodgers	Councilperson
Simpson	Councilperson
Walton	Councilperson
Braswell	Councilperson
Ferrell (Absent)	Councilperson
Merideth	Councilperson
Morgan	Councilperson
Pullam	Councilperson

The number of members necessary to consider a quorum being present, the Mayor called the meeting to order and announced the meeting was in session for the transaction of business.

The first order of business to come before the Council was the approval of the minutes, bills, and reports. Upon motion duly made by Councilperson Morgan, seconded by Councilperson Walton, the minutes bills, and reports were approved. The reports read as follows:

Charlie Jones, Fire Chief, reported \$2,772.05 in salaries for the month of December, with seven fire calls.

Melinda Scifres, City Clerk, reported securities pledged at the banks for deposits of the Cit as follows: First State Bank - \$3,128,179; Focus Bank - \$2,021,899.47; Bank Star of the Bootheel \$583,400.

Donna Brooks, City Collector, reported \$231,738.45 in taxes collected with \$11.99 in Collector's commission and .90¢ in Clerk's fees.

Keith Davis, Parks/Recreation Director, reported \$10,113.85 in admissions to the recreation center.

Angela Dormer, Bookkeeper for the Water Department, reported revenues as follows for December:

Water	\$ 46,445.59	Gallons produced 30,253,300
Sewer	19,883.89	Backwash Totals 4,415,860
Garbage	33,125.72	City Gallons 1,000,900
Meter Serv.	718.53	Adjusted Gallons 413,000
Dec. Int.	72.74	Customers 2447
Primacy Fee	260.82	
Sewer Ser.	<u>92.23</u>	
TOTAL	\$101,115.22	

Chris Riggs, Chief of Police, reported \$8,928.36 in turnover to the Treasurer, with \$206.64 in CVC funds, \$28.00 in POST funds, and \$196.00 in Police Training Fund.

Mayor Sayre reported the insurance company had submitted a proposal to increase the coverage for the City to include code betterment. The insurance committee was asked to remain after the meeting to review the proposal. A report will be given at the next meeting.

Councilperson Morgan reported the Police/Fire Committee had met prior to the meeting to discuss hiring personnel. Councilperson Morgan then motioned Billy Joe O tanfill be employed as a patrolman, with Councilperson Pullam seconding, and motion carried.

Councilperson Walton then motioned the adjustment reports in the amount of \$6,042.26 for the month of December in the Water Department be approved, with Councilperson Simpson seconding, and motion carried.

Mayor Sayre then reviewed a letter from a group who is requesting a street in the new subdivision at 18<sup>th</sup> and Compress be renamed for an individual. Mayor Sayre referred the letter to the Street/Sanitation Committee for a recommendation. It was noted that the street in the new subdivision had been named, but other streets adjacent could be an alternative.

Keith Davis, Parks/Recreation Director, reported that youth basketball will begin this weekend, and run through February. Mr. Davis reported he had contacted Pyramid roofing regarding leaks in the roof at the recreation center. Pyramid Roofing sent a representative to inspect the problems, and they are going to resolve the problems.

Jamie Stricklin, Code Enforcement Officer, reported the building on Fourth Street is being torn down. It was started on Monday, and hope to have it completed by Saturday. It was reported the Mayor and Mr. Stricklin had a conversation with the owner of the structure at Hwy U and Truman. The owner stated that demolition would begin very soon on the property.

After discussion, Councilperson Pullam offered and moved the approval of the following ordinance; and the same was read for the first time:

**BILL NO. 2008-1**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2008-1**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH AT&T MOBILITY AND ASSIGNING A PERCENTAGE OF THE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS TO THE MISSOURI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE**

(Copy on file in City Clerk’s office)

After discussion the unanimous consent of the Council is asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2008-1 which is granted and Bill No. 2008-1 is read the second time. The question before the Council now is shall Bill No. 2008-1 to be known as Ordinance No. 2008-1 pass and become law as read the second time, which resulted in the following vote on said question, to-wit:

Rodgers	Yes	Braswell	Yes
Simpson	Yes	Merideth	Yes
Walton	Yes	Morgan	Yes
	Pullam	Yes	

Upon the Mayor declaring that Bill No. 2008-1 to be known as Ordinance No. 2008-1 is passed and approved by the Council, the Mayor did approve the bill and affix her signature and was attested by the City Clerk.

After discussion, Councilperson Merideth offered and moved the approval of the following ordinance; and the same was read for the first time:

**BILL NO. 2008-2**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2008-2**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH U. S. CELLULAR**

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After discussion the unanimous consent of the Council is asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2008-2 which is granted and Bill No. 2008-2 is read the second time. The question before the Council now is shall Bill No. 2008-2 to be known as Ordinance No. 2008-2 pass and become law as read the second time, which resulted in the following vote on said question, to-wit:

Rodgers	Yes	Braswell	Yes
Simpson	Yes	Merideth	Yes
Walton	Yes	Morgan	Yes
	Pullam	Yes	

Upon the Mayor declaring that Bill No. 2008-2 to be known as Ordinance No. 2008-2 is passed and approved by the Council, the Mayor did approve the bill and affix her signature and was attested by the City Clerk.

Mayor Sayre then advised Bill No. 2008-4 would be submitted, since it dealt with a settlement agreement, as the previous two Bills had done.

After discussion, Councilperson Merideth offered and moved the approval of the following ordinance; and the same was read for the first time:

**BILL NO. 2008-4**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2008-4**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH SPRING AND ASSIGNING A PERCENTAGE OF THE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS TO THE MISSOURI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE**

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After discussion the unanimous consent of the Council is asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2008-4 which is granted and Bill No. 2008-4 is read the second time. The question before the Council now is shall Bill No. 2008-4 to be known as Ordinance No. 2008-4 pass and become law as read the second time, which resulted in the following vote on said question, to-wit:

Rodgers	Yes	Braswell	Yes
Simpson	Yes	Merideth	Yes
Walton	Yes	Morgan	Yes
	Pullam	Yes	

Upon the Mayor declaring that Bill No. 2008-4 to be known as Ordinance No. 2008-4 is passed and approved by the Council, the Mayor did approve the bill and affix her signature and was attested by the City Clerk.

After discussion, Councilperson Merideth offered and moved the approval of the following ordinance; and the same was read for the first time:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 145.100 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO EXPAND THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE**

**REVENUES GENERATED BY THE TOURISM TAX MAY BE USED,  
SUBJECT AND PURSUANT TO VOTER APPROVAL**

(Copy on file in City Clerk's office)

After discussion the unanimous consent of the Council is asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2008-3 which is granted and Bill No. 2008-3 is read the second time. The question before the Council now is shall Bill No. 2008-3 to be known as Ordinance No. 2008-3 pass and become law as read the second time, which resulted in the following vote on said question, to-wit:

Rodgers	Yes	Braswell	Yes
Simpson	Yes	Merideth	Yes
Walton	Yes	Morgan	Yes
	Pullam	Yes	

Upon the Mayor declaring that Bill No. 2008-3 to be known as Ordinance No. 2008-3 is passed and approved by the Council, the Mayor did approve the bill and affix her signature and was attested by the City Clerk.

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Walton motioned the meeting adjourn at 7:35 p.m., with Councilperson Simpson seconding, and motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Mayor

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City Clerk