January 15, 2008

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

1. 5:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Browning led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor Monte Richardson, Aldermen Wayne Browning, Derek Anderson, Douglas Lottridge, Joe Ed Lynn and Margaret Kistler, thereby a quorum was established. Also present were City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts, City Secretary Betty Hollon and City Attorney Charley Smith.

4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Anderson to adopt the agenda with the exception that Agenda Item 12 follow Agenda Item 8. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 18, 2007 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

6. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Any public comment that is made on an item that is not on the posted final agenda will only be heard by the City Council. No formal action, discussion, deliberation, nor comment will be made by the Council.)

No one was present who wished to address Council.

7. REPORT OR REQUEST(S) FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL MEMBERS/CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Richardson presented a Proclamation to Libby Zdunkewicz, the City of Bellville 2007 Employee of the Year.

Alderman Browning mentioned holding a workshop for Council and EDC.

Alderman Lynn commented on Officer Smalley's professionalism on a recent situation.

8. REPORT OR REQUEST(S) FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPARTMENT HEADS

Administrator Roberts informed Council that Richard Moring, Bill Schmidt and the appraisal district's tax attorney will try to make a presentation at the March Council Meeting and Administrator Roberts also stated that O'Malley will start accepting bids on Phase III of Clark Park and will award at the February meeting. Administrator Roberts also announced that Superintendent Hoppe is home and doing well after his surgery on January 2nd.

9. CONSIDERATION/ADOPT RESOLUTION #1365R AUTHORIZING APPLICATION OF TEXAS YES! BOOTSTRAP BUCKS PROGRAM

A motion was made by Alderwoman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to adopt Resolution #1365R authorizing application to the Texas Yes! Bootstrap Bucks Program applying for a \$2,500 grant to offset cost of promotional activities associated with the Heritage Gathering. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO AUSTIN COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT (911) BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Lynn to reappoint Mr. John Mumme to serve on the Austin County Emergency Communications District (911) Board for a two-year term to expire January 1, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #1366 CALLING FOR A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON MAY 10, 2008 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Anderson to adopt Ordinance #1366 calling for a General Municipal Election on May 10, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF 2006-2007 ANNUAL AUDIT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Michele Kwiatkowski of Seidel Schroeder and Company presented the 2006-2007 Audit to Council. A motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderwoman Kistler to accept the Audit as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

13. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Anderson to adjourn at 5:43 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.