

City of Shannon Hills, Arkansas  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Dec 11, 2007

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Mayor Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present were Mayor Davis, Aldermen Sue Skipper, Toni Cobb, James Smith, Dave Holsomback and Evelyn Cador and Recorder-Treasurer Curt Wilson. Alderman Robin Baker and City Attorney Patrick Benca were absent.

**Financial Report and Minutes:** Recorder-Treasurer Wilson reported that since the original plan was to delay this months meeting until Dec 27 the financial report and minutes were not distributed on the regular schedule and will be presented at the budget meeting planned for later this month.

Motion to Table both the financial report and the Minutes until the later meeting was made by Alderman Holsomback. A second was provided by Alderman Smith. In a roll call vote, Aldermen Skipper, Cobb, Smith, Holsomback and Cador voted "Yes." Alderman Baker was absent. Motion was approved.

**Department Head Reports:**

The Department heads presented written reports. Copies of all of the reports are maintained in the office of the Recorder-Treasurer for public inspection.

Mayor Davis announced:

The scheduled budget meeting to take place on Dec 27, 2007.

On Jan 1, 2008 the Shannon Hills Municipal Court will be replaced by the Shannon Hills Division of the Saline County District Court.

Also on Jan 1, 2008 the new Destination Based Sales Tax will become effective and should increase the tax revenue for the city.

**Old Business:**

(none)

**New Business:**

**Item 1.** Saline County Watershed issue.

About three years ago the County formed the Saline County Watershed and Shannon Hills joined it. We pay about \$4,000.00 per year in membership fees. Central Arkansas Water was at one time a part of Saline County Watershed but has dropped out of it. The City needs to decide to stay with Saline County Watershed or stay with Central Arkansas water. We are currently joined with both but cannot remain with both. We must choose one or the other.

Following several minutes of discussion, Alderman Holsomback made a motion that the City of Shannon Hills continue its affiliation with Central Arkansas Water and withdraw its membership from The Saline County Watershed. (The effect of the motion is to kill the resolution on the floor to renew/continue membership in the Saline County Watershed.)

Alderman Cobb provided a second. In a roll call vote, Aldermen Skipper, Cobb, Smith, Holsomback and Cador voted "Yes." Alderman Baker was absent. There were no opposing votes. The motion is approved.

**Item 2. 2008 Budgets.**

The Fire Department did not have final budget numbers ready for discussion.

The Council discussed the Water/Sewer Department and Street Department budgets at length calling on the Public Works Manager, David Passmore for most of the information. Following the discussion it was agreed that, although all questions and concerns have been addressed, it was the will of the Council to await passage until all of the budgets were settled and ready for passage at the scheduled meeting of Dec 27, 2007.

Next the Council took up the General Fund Budget. Discussion and dialogue continued for over an hour with most of the time spent on the police portion of the budget. At the conclusion of the discussion it was generally agreed that certain changes would be made in the Police budget and the Council will convene again at 6:30pm on Dec 27, 2007 to conclude the budget process and pass an ordinance to approve a budget ordinance.

No motions were made or votes taken.

**Item 3. Resolution 2007-14 Check Signing Authority and Bill Paying Process.**

Resolution 2007-14 was read into the record by Mayor Davis. Following a brief discussion Alderman Holsomback made a motion to adopt Resolution 2007-14 as read. Alderman Cobb provided a second. In a roll call vote, Aldermen Cobb, Smith, Holsomback, Cador and Skipper voted "Yes." Alderman Baker was absent. Resolution 2007-14 is approved.

**Comments:**

(none.)

**A Motion to Adjourn** was made by Alderman Cador. A second was supplied by Alderman Smith motion was approved by a voice vote, with no opposition. The Meeting Adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Larance Davis, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Curt Wilson, Recorder-Treasurer