

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF AUGUST 6, 2012

- Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of August 6, 2012 was called to order by Mayor Pro-tem Sparkle Adams at 7:00 p.m.
- Invocation:** The invocation was given by Councilwoman Lord followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- Roll Call:** Present were: Mayor Pro-tem Sparkle Adams and Councilwomen Maudie McCord, Latresa Akins and Linda Lord.
- Also present were City Manager John Parker, Director of Finance Mike Blandenburg, Director of Support Services Christine Terrell, Director of Public Works Mike Gippert, Director of Planning and Zoning Al Wiggins, Chief Eddie Buckholts, Major Jamie Reynolds and City Attorneys Joe Harris and Robert Mack.
- Approval of Minutes:** Ms. Lord made a motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of July 16, 2012, seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.
- Comment Period:** Pamela Lake – reminded everyone of the “Buy a Brick Program” for Main Street and presented handouts of the new library.
- Kimberly James – asked the status of the Mayor, how many open lawsuits the city has, and asked if the City Manager is considered an Executive in the City and should attend executive sessions the Council has.
- Carl Evans – asked the City to address a loose manhole cover in front of 4718 Burks Road
- Joe Wimberly – stated he would like the Water Authority to fix the streets and asked the City to address the traffic light issues on Forest Parkway and the side streets.
- Presentation:** Al Wiggins stated the City has received a plaque from FEMA for participation and outstanding performance in the National Flood Insurance Program. This qualifies the City for a discount on flood insurance premiums and also ensures the City is doing everything correctly to manage the floodplain.

Mike Gippert gave an update on the figures from the first month of the new recycling program.

Ordinance -
Walmart
Foundation Award:

Request was made to consider an Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Forest Park authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with the Walmart Foundation Award Year 2012 in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) to be added into the budget of the Police Department; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Ms. McCord made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Ordinance -
Dept. of Justice
Assistance Grant:

Request was made to consider an Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Forest Park authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with the Department of Justice Assistance Grant 2012-DJ-BX-0747 Award Year 2012 in the amount of fourteen thousand six hundred and thirty seven dollars (\$14,637) to be added into the budget of the Police Department; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Ms. Akins made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Ms. McCord. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Adjournment:

Ms. Lord made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. McCord. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.