

## Springfield Council Meeting

May 7, 2012

7:00 PM

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Mayor and all council members present.

The April minutes were read. Council member Lee made a motion to accept the April minutes and council member Wood 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All agreed with a show of hands.

The April financials were read. Council member Wood made a motion to accept the April Financials and council member Lee 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All agreed with a show of hands.

Mayor McCormick opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. Following the agenda she then asked Judge Steve Morrone to come forward to swear in the new council member, Bill Temples. After the swearing in Mayor McCormick congratulated and welcomed council member Temples. Next Mayor McCormick introduced CPA Timothy C. Cornelison who gave a presentation on the 2011 audit. Mr. Cornelison gave a clean opinion on the audit and stated there were no irregular findings. He said any questions could be e-mailed to him. Mayor McCormick thanked Mr. Cornelison and introduced Accountant Beth Crane. Ms. Crane gave her presentation on the QuickBooks accounting system. She said converting to the system had saved the town money and it was much more user-friendly. She concluded by saying the transition to QuickBooks was going well. Mayor McCormick thanked Ms. Crane for attending the meeting. The Mayor asked everyone to remember the Sammy Washington and LeNair Williams families. She concluded by thanking everyone who helped make the Frog Jump a success.

Officer Robert White gave the Police Department monthly report.

Council member Wood stated the repairs to the roof at the Senior Citizens Center have not been done yet.

The W. E. Bennett Park Committee reported that eighty percent of the sand delivered for the park has been put out.

Mrs. Sylvia Hiers asked for volunteers for the week of May 6 through May 10 for cleaning up inside and outside the Springfield School. She said new plants had been donated by Springfield Lawn and Garden for the flagpole. Mrs. Hiers also said the school was rented for a gospel singing May 18. She stated a group from Columbia would be coming to bring artifacts and donations for the museum exhibits and a goal has been set to have an Open House event showing the Military Exhibit in the museum on Veterans Day. Mrs. Hiers said any items anyone would like to loan or donate would be gladly accepted along with monetary or time donations. She added there are also other exhibits such as Frog Jump, Weddings, Bridge Club and Church. Mrs. Hiers concluded saying anyone needing information or who would like to donate time to contact her.

Frog Jump Chairman Lloyd Morgan presented a preliminary financial breakdown of the Annual Frog Jump. He stated that some money from sponsors for the 5K race had not come in yet and other expenses had to be considered, so the numbers could change but overall he felt the town did well and everyone enjoyed the festival. Mr. Morgan thanked everyone for all their help with the Frog Jump. He said if anyone wanted a copy of the breakdown to see him after the meeting.

Also being the Cemetary Chairman Lloyd Morgan began by stating that the Cemetary Fund is badly in need of money. He said many of the town's residents may never be buried at the cemetary but may have family or friends that are and everyone needs to consider donating money or their time for the upkeep of it. He informed everyone that he now has the platt of the cemetary at Morgan's Pharmacy if anyone would like to see it. Mr. Morgan also said he and Mr. Ed Crim are the only people on the committee and that it needs to grow. He then asked if anyone had any questions. A resident asked how many plots are for sale. Mr. Morgan said he didn't know the exact number but there are a good many. A resident asked the price of a plot. He said they are sold as one-half for \$400.00 or \$800.00 for a whole plot. There being no other questions about the cemetary Mr. Morgan stated that he would like to add one more thing concerning the Frog Jump. He said he felt some of the money from the event could be used to update the bandstand area with a new ramp and a covered stage.

Springfield Branch Librarian, Mrs. Linda Stutts passed out information about the library including the new hours which will accommodate working people. She stated a summer reading program will begin during the third week of June for ages four through twelve years old and will last six weeks. Mrs. Stutts urged everyone to come to the library and use the information and resources available. She stated that if the library is not used the town may lose it. Mrs. Stutts asked if anyone had any questions. There being none, Mayor McCormick thanked her for the information.

#### Public Comments:

A resident said she had found the problem with low water pressure at her home she had asked about in a previous meeting. She said it was not the town's problem but hers.

A resident asked if a date had been set for the next Crime Watch meeting. Officer White said it had not.

A resident asked about getting trees cut on Skyland Drive. Mayor McCormick said she would contact the Department of Transportation for them.

Mayor McCormick asked for comments from the Press. There were none.

With no other business the meeting adjourned at 7:53 P. M.

