

**CITY OF CENTERTON
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2010**

The special city council was called to order by Mayor, Bobbie Griffith. Those Present and answering roll call were Mayor Bobbie Griffith, Kathy Huber, Patricia Thornhill, Tommy Laird and Randy Thomas. Keith Higginbotham and Josie Reed were absent. Those present and not answering roll call were Jennifer Robinson, Todd Wright, Brian Rabal, and Jeff Coffelt.

Mayor Griffith stated that she and City Council person Josie Reed called this meeting to pass a resolution to participate with the Arkansas State Highway Commission in the widening of Highway 102 to Main Street. She stated that Mike Lindsey and Jim Fowler from the Bond Council went to Little Rock on our behalf to talk to Scott Bennett with the Highway Department about the Highway 102 widening project from Greenhouse Road to Main Street. She stated that Mike e-mailed her and said they would take the \$2,000,000.00 payment like in 3 portions. She said the first thing we had to do was pass the resolution and that once they have the resolution they will start on the right-of-way acquisition which they say will take about 9 months. She stated that a certain amount of money would be invoiced at that time. She stated that the second phase of the project would be the moving of the utilities which will partly be done by CWSD which will be invoiced at the end of that phase. She stated that at the end of the total project we will pay the balance of our total commitment. She stated that we can refinance the 2006 bond money we have been working with at the same interest rate and have the whole amount. She stated that if we didn't do that we would only have \$1.6 million. She stated that our other option is to wait until October 2011 with the risk of people not being interested in buying bonds at that point. She also stated that interest rates may also not be this low at that time. She stated they will be scheduling a meeting with us to get everything straightened out with the bond in the September Council meeting. She asked if there were any questions and there were none.

Resolution 2010-11- A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION IN THE PROPOSED WIDENING OF A PORTION OF HIGHWAY 102 AND ITS COMMITMENT TO FUND A PORTION OF THE COST OF THE PROJECT. Kathy Huber made a motion to read the resolution by title only with a 2nd from Randy Thomas. All Council members present voted in favor and the motion carried. Mayor Griffith read the resolution by title only. Kathy Huber made a motion to adopt the ordinance with a 2nd from Patricia Thornhill. All council members present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Tommy Laird made a motion to adjourn the Special City Council meeting with a 2nd from Randy Thomas. All members present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Bobbie Griffith, Mayor

Todd Wright, City Clerk