

**CITY OF CENTERTON
SPECIAL CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2009**

The city council was called to order by Mayor, Bobbie Griffith. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the prayer was offered by Tommy Laird. Roll call was answered by Kathy Huber, Josie Reed, Tommy Laird, Patricia Thornhill, Randy Thomas and Mayor, Bobbie Griffith. Keith Higginbotham was absent. Also present were Jan Dolan, Todd Wright, Brian Rabal, Howard Slinkard, Andrew Huntsinger, Jeff Coffelt and Lorene Taul. Lance Johnson and Bert Johnson were not present at this meeting.

- (1) **ORDINANCE 09-03 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF EXTENSIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A REVENUE BOND FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPLE OF AND INTEREST ON THE BOND; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** This project is to provide a booster pumping station and several water main connections to interconnect the City System and the Benton County Rural Development Authority System previously purchased by the City. Kathy Huber made a motion to read the ordinance by title only with a 2nd by Randy Thomas. Roll call votes of yes were recorded for all members present and the motion carried. Andrew read the ordinance by title only. Randy Thomas made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of the ordinance 3 times with a 2nd from Kathy Huber. All members voted in favor and the motion carried. Kathy Huber made a motion to adopt the ordinance with a 2nd from Randy Thomas. All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. Andrew read the emergency clause. Kathy Huber made a motion to adopt the emergency clause with a 2nd from Tommy Laird. Sustaining votes were recorded for all members present and the motion carried.

- (2) **ORDINANCE 09-04 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 08-157-ISLAND ANNEXATION; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.** This ordinance is to amend said ordinance 08-15 to assign said property to the appropriate ward and zoning classification. Kathy Huber made a motion to read the ordinance by title only with a 2nd from Randy Thomas. All members voted in favor and the motion carried. Randy Thomas made a motion to suspend the rule of reading the ordinance 3 times with a 2nd from Kathy Huber. All members voted in favor and the motion carried. Andrew read the ordinance by title only. Kathy Huber made a motion to adopt the ordinance with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All members present voted in favor and the

motion carried. Andrew read the emergency clause. Patricia Thornhill made a motion to adopt the emergency clause with a 2nd from Tommy Laird. All members present voted in favor and the motion carried.

- (3) **RESOLUTION 09-04 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, AN EXTRA WORK AUTHORIZATION WITH CEI ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.** Lorene Taul spoke to the council in regards to this resolution. She said that David Todd with CEI had performed a flood study for the city and in that study he had an area that he showed that if we did some minor improvement, we would be likely to pull some homes out of the flood zone, but that he would need to do more work on that. With that proposal, he would give us 3 scenarios for improvement. The cost of that work is \$2250.00 and that included his work and the mapping, but does not include F.E.M.A. mapping or fees or that actual improvement fees. Randy Thomas made a motion to read the resolution by title only with a 2nd from Patricia Thornhill. All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. Andrew read the resolution by title only. Randy Thomas made a motion to adopt the resolution with a 2nd from Patricia Thornhill. All members present voted in favor and the motion carried.

- (4) **RESOLUTION 09-05 - A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE EMPLOYEE POLICY HANDBOOK OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.** Mayor Griffith stated that this resolution is to change the holiday that we added for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s and Robert E. Lee's Birthday. Patricia Thornhill made a motion to read the resolution by title only with a 2nd from Randy Thomas. All members present voted in favor and the motion carried. Andrew read the resolution by title only. Kathy Huber made a motion to adopt the resolution with a 2nd by Tommy Laird. Sustaining votes were recorded for all members present and the motion carried.

- (5) **ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Mayor, Bobbie Griffith stated that we will have a Special City Council Meeting on Tuesday, February 17, 2009. Mayor Griffith also thanked our Police, Fire and Street departments for their work during the ice storm.

Randy Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting with a 2nd from Patricia Thornhill. All members present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Bobbie Griffith, Mayor

Todd Wright, City Clerk/ Recorder