
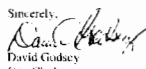


MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MARCH 12, 2007

The Common Council of the City of Somerset, Kentucky met in regular session on Monday, March 12, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. with the following present: Mayor Eddie Girdler. Council Members: James Eastham, Steve Kelley, Jerry Girdler, Charlie New, Donna Hunley, John Minton, Jim Mitchell, Pat Bourne, Jerry Burnett, Tim Rutherford, Jim Rutherford and Linda Stringer. City Clerk David Godsey and City Attorney Carrie Wiese.

Mr. T. Rutherford moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting held on February 26, 2007 along with the reports to be approved as delivered. Mr. Burnett seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.

Mr. Bourne moved to refund the following amounts paid on City taxes: Hays & Burkett Inc. 795 N Hwy 27, Somerset KY 42503 in the amount of \$85.50 per an audit from Frankfort. Mr. Mitchell seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.

City of Somerset	
Eddie R. Girdler Mayor	400 East Mt. Vernon Street P.O. Box 989 SOMERSET, KENTUCKY 42502 (606) 678-6366 (606) 678-6431 (FAX)
David Godsey City Clerk	
February 23, 2007	
Somerset City Council City Hall 400 E. Mt. Vernon Street Somerset, Kentucky 42501	
Dear Councilors:	
I am writing in behalf of <u>Hays & Burkett Inc. 795 N. Hwy 27, Somerset KY 42503</u> who is requesting a refund on their previously paid <u>2005</u> City taxes. Mr. T.W. Todd, Property Valuation Administrator, has issued a credit slip <u>per an audit from Frankfort</u> in the amount of <u>\$39,079</u> . The amount of refund due is <u>\$85.50</u> . Thank you.	
Sincerely,  David Godsey City Clerk	<u>Refund 2005 3021890-02</u> To <u>DAVID GODSEY, School Tax Collector</u> Credit <u>Hays & Burkett Inc</u> Address _____ I _____ VALUATION _____ Real Estate _____ Personal _____ who has been assessed for Somerset City School Taxes for the year to <u>05</u> The reasons for this credit are <u>per audit from Frankfort</u> Date <u>2/23/07</u> By <u>[Signature]</u> PVA
Equal Opportunity Employer M/F/D (606) 78-5176 (TDD)	

Mr. New moved to approve the job description for City Attorney Carrie Wiese. A change to the personnel policy manual will be made reflecting the position as full time non-exempt and include the current rate of pay. Mr. Kelley seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett and Mr. J. Rutherford. Voting "Nay": Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. T. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer. Motion Passed.

Second reading was given the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 07-01

AN ORDINANCE TO THE CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY, ACCEPTING
DEDICATION OF STREETS WITHIN SADDLEBROOK ESTATES.


BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET,
KENTUCKY:

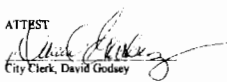
I. The public ways within Saddlebrook Estates, specifically known as East Saddlebrook Drive, West Saddlebrook Drive, St. Anne's Court, Troon Court, Muirfield Drive, and Lindrick Drive, all located within the City Limits of Somerset, be and are hereby accepted as city streets.

II. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon passage, approval, and publication according to law.

FIRST READING February 22, 2007

SECOND READING March 13, 2007

Approved:

Mayor, Eddie Girdler

ATTEST

City Clerk, David Godsey

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Mr. Minton moved to approve the above ordinance on its second reading accepting streets within Saddlebrook Estates. Mr. J. Rutherford seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.

First reading was given the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 07-02

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY ANNUAL
BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 AND ENDING
JUNE 30, 2007 ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY.

Mr. New moved to approve the above ordinance on its first reading amending the annual budget. Mr. Girdler seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.

Mr. Bourne moved to accept the following resolution allowing Downtown Somerset Development Corporation (DSDC) to apply for a grant to install historical markers in the downtown area. Mr. T. Rutherford seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Downtown Somerset Development Corporation (DSDC) was created and has worked for the past quarter of a century to bring awareness, preservation and vitality to the central business district of our community; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of all our local government that our downtown area be attractive and offer an appreciation of its past and present to our citizenry and our visitors; and,

WHEREAS, DSDC has committed to continuing that effort and desires to update and improve various amenities within the central business district that greatly add to the appearance, vitality and educational experience of visiting our downtown; and,

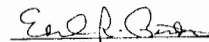
WHEREAS, those improvements include updating the historical marker and walking tour program, republishing brochures relating to the historic walking tours in the central business district, and the replacement and placement of benches for pedestrian and persons taking part in the historic walking tours; and,


WHEREAS, DSDC is seeking funds through Southern and Eastern Kentucky Tourism Development Association (SEKTDA) and such funding is contingent on a cooperative spirit between all entities involved in the betterment of our downtown community; and,

WHEREAS, It is the intent of Somerset City Council to not only participate in such efforts, but to also encourage and nurture such endeavors; and,

WHEREAS, Somerset City Council is willing to designate at least one of its members to attend the necessary training in order to participate in such funding;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED this 12th day of March, 2007, by a majority vote of Somerset City Council, that we encourage and support the application for improvements to our downtown amenities through the efforts of DSDC and will assist those efforts in any way possible.


Edward R. Girdler
Mayor


David Godsey
Somerset City Clerk

Mr. Eastham moved to approve the following resolution authorizing the City of Somerset to participate fully in the KY Body Armor Program made available by GOLD and authorizing the Mayor to execute all documents needed. Mr. New seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.

No: 07-01

RESOLUTION of The City of Somerset

Whereas: The Commonwealth of Kentucky has made available grant monies for the purchase of body armor for local law enforcement departments; and

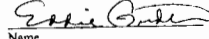
Whereas: Given recent evidence of violence toward law enforcement officers, it is important that body armor be made available for them; and

Whereas: The Council of the City of Somerset desires to participate in the available program for obtaining funds for body armor.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Council of the City of Somerset authorizes the Mayor of the City of Somerset to participate fully in the Kentucky Body Armor Program made available by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Office of the Governor, Governor's Office of Local Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mayor of the City of Somerset is directed to execute Kentucky Body Armor Program Grant Agreement (Memorandum of Understanding) and any and all other necessary documents in furtherance of obtaining the needed funds for body armor.

Adopted this 12th day of March, 2007.

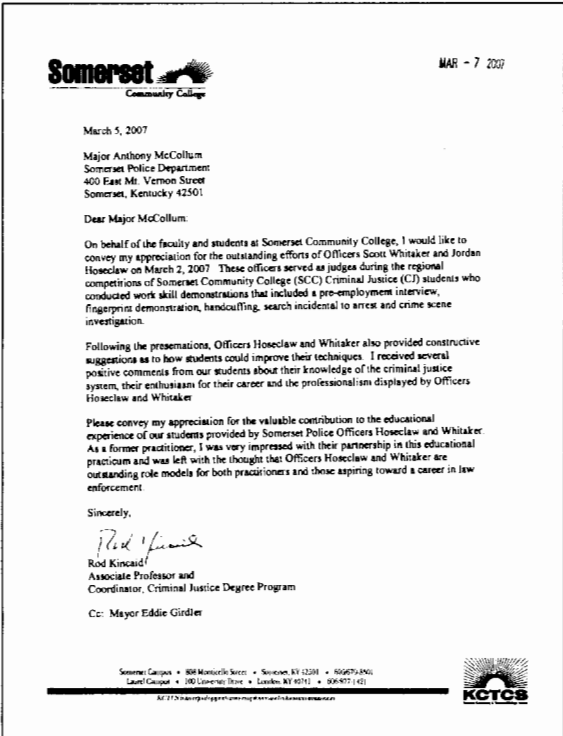

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Mayor, City of Somerset

Attest:


Name
Clerk, City of Somerset

Mr. Girdler moved to hire Jeff Peek as Police Chief at a salary of \$45,000. Mr. Burnett seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “Aye”: Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett and Ms. Stringer. Voting “Nay”: Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. T. Rutherford and Mr. J. Rutherford. Motion Passed.

Mr. New moved to have included in the minutes a letter presented to council from Rod Kincaid, Associate Professor and Coordinator for the Criminal Justice Degree Program at Somerset Community College. Mr. Kincaid conveyed his appreciation for the valuable contributions to the educational experience Officers Scott Whitaker and Jordan Hoseclaw provided to the students. Mr. J. Rutherford seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “Aye”: Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.



Mr. Bourne made a motion to go into executive session for pending litigation. Mr. Kelley seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “Aye”: Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.

No action taken in executive session.

Mrs. Hunley made a motion to authorize mediation of the lawsuit between City Council and Mayor Girdler as recommended by the Kentucky League of Cities acting through assigned counsel for the lawsuit. Mr. New seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “Aye”: Mr. Eastham, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, Mr. Minton, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Burnett, Mr. T. Rutherford, Mr. J. Rutherford and Ms. Stringer.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY CLERK