

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 8, 2003

The Common Council of the City of Somerset, Kentucky met in regular session on Monday, September 8, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. with the following present: Mayor: JP Wiles. Council Members: Earl Owens, Jerry Burnett, Peggy Dugger, Joann Norfleet, Clarence Floyd, Jerry Wheeldon, Mark Beasley, Jerry Girdler, Charlie New, Donna Hunley, and John Minton. City Attorney Joe Travis and City Clerk David Godsey. Absent: Council Member Pat Bourne.

Mr. Wheeldon moved to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting held on August 25, 2003 and the reports be approved as delivered. Mr. Beasley seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Owens, Mr. Burnett, Mrs. Dugger, Mrs. Norfleet, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Wheeldon, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, and Mr. Minton.

Mr. Beasley moved to approve all department bills. Mr. Burnett seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Owens, Mr. Burnett, Mrs. Dugger, Mrs. Norfleet, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Wheeldon, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, and Mr. Minton.

Second reading was given the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 03-17		
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2003 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2004 ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY.		
WHEREAS, AN ANNUAL BUDGET HAS BEEN PREPARED AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY, AND		
WHEREAS, THE COMMON COUNCIL HAS RECEIVED THE PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGES AND MADE NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS		
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY:		
SECTION 1.	THAT THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2003 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2004 IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS.	
	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES
GENERAL FUND	\$6,883,241.00 \$6,983,241.00	\$6,803,241.00 \$6,983,241.00
SANITATION SERVICE	\$1,819,050.00	\$1,819,050.00
GAS SERVICE	\$8,977,000.00	\$8,977,000.00
WATER SERVICE	\$5,371,000.00	\$5,371,000.00
WASTEWATER	\$2,142,800.00	\$2,142,800.00
PARKS AND REC	\$514,150.00	\$514,150.00
EMS	\$2,537,308.00	\$2,537,308.00
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$28,244,549.00 \$28,344,549.00	\$28,244,549.00 \$28,344,549.00
SECTION 2.	THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND UPON PUBLICATION	
	FIRST READING <u>August 25,</u> 2003	
	SECOND READING <u>September 8,</u> 2003	
	APPROVED _____ JP WILES, MAYOR CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY	
ATTEST:	_____ DAVID GODSEY, CITY CLERK CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY	

Mr. Owens moved to approve the above Ordinance on its second reading. Mr. New seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Owens, Mr. Burnett, Mrs. Dugger, Mrs. Norfleet, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Wheeldon, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, and Mr. Minton.

Mr. Burnett moved to have Billy Millers letter of retirement made part of the official minutes. Mr. Miller is Chief of the Fire/Ems Department. Mr. Floyd seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Owens, Mr. Burnett, Mrs. Dugger, Mrs. Norfleet, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Wheeldon, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, and Mr. Minton.

<p style="text-align: center;">Somerset Fire/EMS 301 Hail Knob Road P.O. Box 3348 West Somerset, Kentucky 42564-3348 ***** Telephone (606) 679-6388 Fax (606) 677-9855</p> <p style="text-align: center;">September 03, 2003</p> <p>Mayor J.P. Wiles City of Somerset 400 East Mt. Vernon Street Somerset, Ky. 42501</p> <p>Dear Mayor Wiles:</p> <p>I would like to express my deepest appreciation for the confidence you have extended to me, as well as, your support to both the fire and EMS agencies. I could not ask for anyone to be any better to work with, than what you have been with me. We share many of the same goals such as expecting good job performance from employees, honesty, continued positive progression, and providing the best emergency services possible to the people we are committed to serve within the most economical means. It is after much prayerful soul searching that I have reached the decision to retire from my position with Somerset Fire/EMS and commit my life fully to the ministry that God would have me to serve. My opportunity as the department head of two agencies which deals with people in some of their most trying hours has better prepared me to compassionately serve people.</p> <p>I leave behind an excellent group of officers and personnel, who with the right leadership will serve this community for generations to come. I take great pride in the many accomplishments made in both areas of our service. Our department is being left in good financial shape and we have some very capable people in place to continue this progress, to whom I wish each of them great success. I have tried to impress upon the staff the short, medium, and long term goals which they will need to focus upon as they continue to carry the torch. Everything which has been accomplished within our department over the years must be shared among a whole host of people, but it is a good feeling to know I will leave both agencies better than I found them. I count myself very fortunate to have been a part of Somerset Fire/EMS and will always have great pride in associating myself with such a dedicated department. To leave the friends and co-workers with whom I have shared over half of my life, has been one of the most difficult decisions I have ever had to make; however, I stand willing to assist everyone during this transition in any way I possibly can.</p>	<p>I wish you, the city, and my department the very best in the years to come, while continuing to keep each of you in my prayers. Again, may I express my gratitude to you, the council, our county government, our committee members, and my staff for the opportunity to serve this great community for the past twenty-five years.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">With my sincerest gratitude,</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Billy Miller</i> Billy Miller, Chief</p>
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Mr. Girdler moved to approve the Parks Committee request to raise the walking track fee at Rocky Hollow from \$12.00 to \$16.00, and to charge a \$40.00 monthly fee to use the Rocky Hollow Athletic Center for racquetball and workouts. Both fees to be effective November 11, 2003. Mr. Wheeldon seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Owens, Mr. Burnett, Mrs. Dugger, Mrs. Norfleet, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Wheeldon, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, and Mr. Minton.

Mr. Floyd moved to approve adding to the vehicle policy that each individual vehicle being used for City business must be marked with the City of Somerset logo. The only exception being made to the Mayor and Police Detectives vehicles. Mr. Owens seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Owens, Mrs. Dugger, Mrs. Norfleet, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Wheeldon, and Mrs. Hunley. Voting "Nay": Mr. Burnett, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Girdler, and Mr. Minton. Voting "Pass": Mr. New.

Mr. Minton moved to approve the street departments request for employees to give up sick time to a fellow employee. Mrs. Dugger seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted "Aye": Mr. Owens, Mr. Burnett, Mrs. Dugger, Mrs. Norfleet, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Wheeldon, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Girdler, Mr. New, Mrs. Hunley, and Mr. Minton.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST: *David H. Beasley*
CITY CLERK

APPROVED *J.P. Wiles*
MAYOR