

City of Scranton
**Minutes for the Meeting
of the Governing Body
Tuesday July 15, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Hulsopple at 7:01 p.m.

In attendance were councilmen; Eddie Lester, David Barnes, Larry Hulsopple, Jack Mayfield and Ken Croucher, Mayor Burkdoll was absent. Employees Bobi Morris and Mark Knowles. Citizens Betsy & Keith Crispin, Tom Carnes, Dennis Lamberd, Marty Kane, Gary DeShazer, Lavona Lafferty, Tony Roberts, Rhonda Franks, Dona Land, Ruth McClain, Loy Hutchison, Terri Jackson, and Marlan Shively.

A motion was made by Councilman Lester to approve the minutes for the special call meeting on July 1, 2008 as amended. Motion was second by Councilman Barnes. Motion carried 5 – 0.

A motion was made by Councilman Mayfield to approve the minutes for the regularly scheduled meeting on July 1, 2008 as written. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Motion carried 4 – 0 – 1 (Croucher abstained)

Old Business; Council President Hulsopple recognized Tony Roberts. Mr. Roberts wanted know what the decision was about ordinance 576 (age of homes). Several citizens expressed concerns. Councilman Mayfield made a motion to table any action on changing the ordinance at this time. Motion died due to lack of second. Councilman Lester made a motion to have the zoning committee meet and research the issue and return with their recommendation at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Motion was second by Councilman Barnes. Carried 5 – 0

Chief Mark Knowles gave the council an update on the emergency sirens. Council approved of Chief Knowles using fund raisers and grants to purchase a new siren(s). Scott will move the West siren to the location of the East siren at the shop so it will be more centrally located.

New Business; Council President Hulsopple recognized Marlan Shively. Mr. Shively discussed the condition of the community building with the council. Councilman Croucher made a motion to refund Mr. Shively's security deposit. Motion was second by Councilman Barnes. Carried 4 – 1 (Hulsopple)

Councilman Croucher made a motion at 7:56 p.m. to take a ten-minute break. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 5 – 0 Council returned to regular session at 8:07 p.m.

Billy Brandt was called but not present.

Councilman Croucher made a motion to increase Terry Ralston's pay to \$10.00 an hour. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 4 – 1 (Lester). Councilman Croucher made a motion to set Grant Nutter's pay at \$10.00 an hour. Councilman Mayfield made a motion at 8:18 p.m. to go in to a ten-minute executive session for non-

elected personnel issues with Mark Works and Mark Knowles present. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 5 – 0. Councilman Croucher withdrew his motion. Council returned to regular session at 8:28 p.m. Councilman Mayfield made a motion at 8:29 p.m. to return to executive session for an additional ten-minutes. Motion was second by Councilman Barnes. Carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:40 p.m. Councilman Croucher withdrew his motion to give Ralston a raise. Councilman Croucher made a motion to pay all probationary officers \$10.00 per hour. Motion was second by Councilman Barnes. Carried 5 – 0

Mark Knowles requested the council change the required three (3) mile radius for chiefs to reside. Councilman Croucher made a motion to change the living requirements for Mark Knowles to six (6) miles on a temporary (12 months) basis. Motion was second by Councilman Barnes. Carried 4 – 1 (Mayfield)

Councilman Barnes made a motion to not allow the police car to be driven to the chief's residence unless the chief resides within the three (3) mile radius. Motion was second by Councilman Croucher. Failed 0 – 5

Councilman Croucher made a motion at 9:04 p.m. to go into a ten-minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel issues with the city attorney and city clerk present. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 5 – 0. The city clerk left the session at 9:06 p.m. Council returned to regular session at 9:15 p.m.

Councilman Mayfield made a motion not to hire a replacement for the assistant clerk position at this time due to budget constraints. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 4 – 1 (Hulsopple)

Council instructed the clerk to advertise for a city attorney on the League of Kansas Municipalities web site.

Council wants the mayor to invite Greg Wright to attend the next meeting.

Councilman Croucher made a motion to approve ordinances 29 & 30 allowing payment of the city debts and payroll. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Mayfield made a motion to adjourn the regular scheduled meeting at 9:43 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilman Croucher. Motion carried 5 – 0

Bobi Morris
City Clerk

Approved August 5, 2008