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Board of Health

Mrs. Emerson: The Board of Health met December 10th, 2015 in the chambers adjacent to here. There was no Old Business. The New Business was Beef O'Brady closed on Wednesday, November 25th, 2015. Chipotle at Tri-County Mall Outlet is in the final stages of construction and Thornton's at the corner of Crescentville and Princeton Pike continues to move toward completion. The Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 22nd at 9:30 a.m.; they are going to meet with a consultant to make sure that we are on track with the accreditation. The Springdale Health Department will begin hosting Western Kentucky University Master's of Public Health students. They are going to work with us free of charge; they are going to work with us helping to get the accreditation process completed. The Cincinnati Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired presentation is going to take place January 21st, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Springdale Room of the Community Center and it is going to be presented by Patsy Balm. We continue to work with Public Health Emergency Preparation. The Springdale Health Department remains active on the Public Health Emergency Preparation Grant, the Ebola Supplemental Grant, and the City Readiness Initiative Grant. The Springdale Health Department continues to participate on the Ebola Exercise Planning Team and that is so if there is any emergency or anything, we are able to handle that. Our Health Commissioner, Matt Clayton, was appointed as the Secretary of the Southwest Ohio Executive Steering Committee for 2016. The Ohio Department of Health visited Springdale Health Department on November 23rd for an audit of our Swimming Pool and Spa programs and overall we believe that the 2015 audit went well. Our Commissioner was the guest speaker at the December 8th, Neighborhood Watch meeting at the Police Department. As far as the Nurse Report, on the influenza activity, it is very low as of the week forty-six, ending November 22nd, 2015. There are sporadic cases in Ohio and that is for most of the country also. The Health Department purchased eighty doses of the flu vaccination and also received one hundred and eighty doses from the Ohio Department of Health. As of December 2nd, almost all of those doses have been given. Plans are being made for the next Latino Expo in October 2016. Our next Health Department meeting will be January 15th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. That concludes my report.

Public Utilities	Mr. Hawkins	-	no report
Public Relations	Mrs. Harlow	-	no report
Capital Improvements	Mrs. Emerson	-	no report
Public Welfare, Safety, & Education	Mr. Shroyer	-	no report
Housing Board	Mr. Hawkins	-	no report
Public Works	Mr. Shroyer	-	no report
O-K-I	Mrs. Harlow	-	no report

Mayor's Report

Mayor Webster: Just a couple things - tomorrow evening at 5:00 p.m. we are going to cut the ribbon for our new Thornton's service station and it will be operating at the southwest corner of 747 and Crescentville Road and it has been a long time under construction but they will finally open tomorrow evening at 5:00, so if anybody would like to join us for the ribbon cutting, we would be more than happy to have your attendance. To give you an update on the SOS Christmas program, we are up to sixty-four, sixty-five families, as I understand we had two families coming off the streets today. Word has spread throughout some of the apartment complexes that they are giving away presents at the Springdale Municipal Building. Anyway, we had a couple more come in today but we are down about four or five families from last year but we understand that some of those families are pouring over to Sharonville, out of the Heritage Hill School, which is fine. The good news is that we do have most of these families assigned to a donor family and we are a couple thousand dollars short of money, so SOS treasury will pick that up; we have gotten a lot of cash donations. Probably at the end of the day we will get enough donations to cover what we are shy in cash. Once again, it is so heart-warming to see the community - the residential community and the businesses, elected officials, and everyone coming together and participating in this cause.

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Mayor Webster (continued): I talked to the Smithfield, formerly John Morrell, folks on Monday at the Chamber luncheon and they assured me that they will come through with the hams this year; no turkeys this year, but they will provide hams. I think we had fifteen businesses that accommodated a food barrel this year, which is a big increase over last year. I know we had several members of our staff down stairs today putting those boxes together, so there is sixty-four boxes of food waiting to be picked up tomorrow along with the gifts. Just the whole thing from beginning to end has gone remarkably well, thanks to Marsha Hocter, who is our coordinator and Dare Officer, and all of the other folks that have pitched in and helped. Mrs. Russell whispered in the ear of some of our businesses "you should get involved with this". It is very gratifying to see the outpouring of support for the whole program. So that is where we stand and I will give you a final update probably the second meeting of January 2016. Thank you very much.

Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Mrs. McNear: I have a General Fund update, year to date receipts through November 30th. I have a budget of \$16.153M and we have received \$16.557M, which is 103% of the anticipated budget. That is made up of our top five sources that make up that balance: Earnings Tax, Real Estate Tax, Paramedic Services, Local Government Funds, and Mayor's Court, that amounts to \$15.53M or 94%. For Expenditures through November 30th, net expenditures of \$16.830M. We have spent \$14.635M, which is 87% of that budget. Our ending balance through November 30th is \$3.963M. That concludes my report. Thank you.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Parham: Council, I want to give you an update on our GovDeals.com program. We had a total of ninety items that were posted to GovDeals.com for auctioning off to the general public. Seventy-five items were sold. Thirteen items received no bids. One item cancelled and one bidder defaulted. With the fifteen items that did not sell, we combined a couple of those and sort of packaged them together to see if we could get a couple of takers. There was some success with a Dodge Charger that actually sold the first time. That was the one that the original bidder defaulted on. We sent it back out to market and we actually made a little bit extra on that one. The other was a couple of old cell phones that we combined together with an adding machine and that was able to sell. The items that did not sell, for example, were the three really large copiers that we have down in the basement, a VCR housing unit for the in-car video recorders from the Police Department and then an old line printer. The items that were unsuccessful to sell on the market, at this point we will make contact, in particular with the in-car video or VCRs, to see if there are any other police departments out there that may have an interest in them. If we find that there is, we will donate them to that department. If there is not, then those items will be considered trash and we will dispose of them. As for the copiers, we did a little checking around and there is a group that is affiliated with Habitat for Humanity that collects electronics and other items. So, we are going to deliver the copiers to them and they will take and sell them off as scrap to make a couple of dollars in order to support their program. I think this will be a worthy cause for us. As a result of the program, we had total sales of \$23,758. Of that amount GovDeals.com is going to be paid \$1,841.74. Fees generated from PayPal and credit cards will be paid another \$400.68. Net sales for the City for this program this year is \$21,458. I think this has turned out to be a very successful program for us. All of these items are items that we no longer use that were probably in the basement here or at one of the other Departments. We were able to get rid of those to someone else that can use them and at the same time make just under \$22,000. We have asked the Departments to go back and speak to their employees who handled their part of the process, to give us feedback on how perhaps we can improve the program. I have also asked the Departments to begin identifying items that we are going to compile another list and to bring that list to you in 2016 for the 2016 program. There are still a number of items in this building that we need to get rid of that we are no longer using. I think if we can repeat the program as we did this year, it will continue to be a success.

The second item, you should have received a letter from the Building Department, as Mrs. Harlow mentioned, the Planning Commission recommended the Zoning Code update. In the Pending Legislation Report, we have identified at the January 6th meeting a presentation by the consultant; then at the January 20th meeting, the first reading of the Zoning Code; and then the February 3rd meeting, the second reading of the ordinance and the actual Public Hearing. So, we need to schedule the Public Hearing for the February 3rd meeting. Mrs. Harlow, I don't think we have distributed the Code to Council yet but we will make sure to get that taken care of as quickly as possible.

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Mr. Parham (continued): The final item I have covers the Board of Tax Review. The Board of Tax Review is called out in our Municipal Tax Code. If you remember, on November 18th, Council adopted the new mandated Municipal Tax Code. As a part of the Tax Code there is a new definition, if you will, as to how that Board will be comprised. Currently our Board of Tax Review has two members that are appointed by City Council and the third member is a City Council person. As we have been going through and performing research on this, if you look at our Boards and Commission document, it says that the two appointees of Council are appointed for a four-year period and the Council person is for two years. I found nowhere in our documents, in going back and checking the old ordinance where it gives the authority as to the terms of four years. In any event, the new Tax Code mandates that Council will continue to appoint two members to the Board of Tax Review. Those two members or individuals have to be residents of the City; they cannot be an employee, cannot be an elected official, nor can it be a contractor of the City or a contractor who has been a contractor with us for five years preceding the date of the appointment. The term for those two appointees is a two-year period. The third person is to be appointed by the top administrative official, in other words the Mayor. That individual or person can be an employee of the City but cannot be any employee or the Clerk of Council/Finance Director or the Tax Commissioner that has direct involvement with the Tax Department. If you were to look at the City's Tax Review Board, we have Mr. Roy Mitchell and Mr. Dan Jacobs who has been appointed to the Board of Tax Review. Mr. Mitchell's term expires January 31st of 2018. Mr. Jacobs's term expires January 31st of 2019. Again, these are now two-year appointments. The amendment would have to take place for Mr. Jacobs's appointment. The new tax code is effective January 1, 2016. If Council has the desire to have these two positions to continue to alternate, then perhaps Mr. Jacobs's appointment would be effective up until 2017. Relative to Mr. Mitchell's term, you would not have to make an adjustment to his appointment and his would still expire in 2018. In the following or subsequent years, you would have them alternating over the years. There is nothing mandated by the Code relative to whether they alternate or not, but since they have been that way in the past, it is just an opportunity to take advantage of it. The other thing that you may want to consider, since this is in effect January 1st, I have no idea why the appointments have been made on January 31st, but if you want to adjust them to a January 1st timeframe, then that way you can handle them at the same time that you handle a lot of the others. That is all I have.

President Vanover: In going back then, the Council will still appoint two members?

Mr. Parham: Yes sir, two members.

President Vanover: The third member then would become a Mayoral appointment.

Mayor Webster: So there would be no Council Person.

President Vanover: Right. If I remember, Tax Review was by appointment to that Committee, so do we vote to rescind it?

Mr. Parham: I don't think you have to vote, it is invalid because you have already adopted it; but I will let the other attorney speak on that.

Mr. Forbes: I have a suggestion and Council can do it however you want, if you want to stagger those two Council appointments or if you don't, it is totally up to you. What you may want to consider, maybe at the first meeting or at a meeting in January, just adopt resolutions because you will have a new Tax Code effective January 1st; just adopt new resolutions making all the appointments, setting what the terms are, confirming the Mayoral appointment for whoever that person may be.

Mayor Webster: It does not have to be confirmed.

Mr. Forbes: Oh, okay. On the two Council appointments, you may want to do clean resolutions and if you want to change the effective date to make it a January 1st, you can do all of that. It is basically to clean up items at this point.

Mayor Webster: I am prepared to make my appointment this evening to the Board. Our understanding is this person serves at the discretion of the Mayor, there is no term on it.

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Mr. Shvegza (continued): The final payment request including the final project close-out paperwork has been received and we're in the process of reviewing that before it is paid. On the State Route 4 South-Bound Lane Addition, the Stage III plans were submitted to ODOT and updated environmental documentation has also been submitted to ODOT. In fact, we have just received today the comments from ODOT and we are reviewing those in order to make the changes. Those final plans will then be submitted to District 8 of ODOT on January 15th, 2016. Also, as part of the process as far as the environmental documentation, the December 2015 City Newsletter did contain the information on the project and did request if there were any comments or questions, they were given a contact person so that information can be recorded and submitted to ODOT. That concludes my comments.

Communications

Mrs. McNear: Thank you, Mr. President. I do have a letter from Duke Energy dated December 1st. This is additional information regarding a rate increase. I did mention this at our last meeting. The bottom line of this is the intent to file and the proposed rate has the residential services at an increase of \$0.14 per month. They also provided a variety of other proposed rates that they will be filing. If anybody would like to see the details of it, it will be on file in my office. That concludes Communications, thank you.

Communications from the Audience

President Vanover: At this point we will open the floor to the communications from the audience. Is there anyone in the audience that would like to address Council for any reason?

Mrs. Sharon Brooks: I am President of the Springdale Youth Boosters. I personally have to say that I was a little disheartened after watching the last City Council Meeting, to find out that someone who had just ran for City Council wanting to represent our City would be so quick to put down the Department, a volunteer coach, and a volunteer youth organization without knowing the whole process or giving the whole facts. As someone who truly cares about the community, I took this very personally considering the fact that not once did any member of the family try to contact me as directed in my letter. I also felt that some of the Members on City Council may not understand Springdale Youth Boosters, how we work and our refund policy and are too quick to judge a process that they are not familiar with, as well. I wanted to clear up some of these issues. SYB's sole responsibility is raising money to support our youth sports programs. Our refund policy is clearly stated on the registration form, as well as the refund request form, it clearly states "Refund will be given in the event of a medical condition verified by a doctor's statement or if the family moves outside of the City of Springdale prior to the start of the sports season. Exceptions to the above policy will be considered by the Springdale Youth Boosters Board. All refund request must be submitted in writing to the Community Center office". On November 10th SYB received a refund request from the Higgin's family; listed as the reason was Steven was left off the roster for this year. I spoke with Steve Brooks for more information. When SYB receives a refund request that doesn't automatically qualify for a refund, we start to gather information from the Community Center. Upon further review, there were two main reasons discussed, one being he was not on the roster. When that was quickly resolved it was then mentioned he was in Boy Scouts and can't make any of the practices so therefore he can't play. That was clearly not mentioned to the Members of City Council; instead the blame was put on the Community Center and the volunteer coach. Well I understand that we all want our children involved in activities, practice nights are picked by the coach that is volunteering his or her time. This again is not a reason for a refund. Once it is determined that a refund request is not automatically qualified for a refund, as President, I then read the request at the next SYB meeting and we take a vote. It was voted that it did not qualify for a refund. I then sent out a letter, which Mr. Higgins read at the last City Council meeting. At the end of the letter, I specifically said "If you have any questions please contact me". I put my personal cell phone number on the letter. Normally on those letters that are sent out, the Community Center's phone number is printed on there and they contact them, then the Community Center will contact me and I will call them back. Again, I put my personal number on there to be contacted. Again, I want to reiterate that the only reason listed on the refund form was that he was not placed on the roster. It was within twenty-four hours of being told about the error, the child was then placed on the roster. When the parent was notified that he was on the roster it was then mentioned that the coach said the roster was full and he wouldn't play much.

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Mrs. Brooks (continued): It was communicated to the parent that there are many teams that have eleven players. It is a recreational league and there is a mandated playing time rule. That is when the focus then turned to the child being involved in Boy Scouts and couldn't make the practices; so that too was taken into consideration, which again was never mentioned at the last meeting. While I apologize that there was a clerical error and the child was not originally placed on the roster, this issue was fixed within twenty-four hours. Practices had just started and the child would have missed one practice, at the most. Mr. Higgins made the comment that it wasn't about the money, it was more about this being part of the reason why people don't register for sports is because they don't get their money back. Just like any other business we have rules and guidelines that we follow. In 2015, we had a total of eighteen registrations refunded because there weren't enough sign-ups to make a team; five of them were from spring soccer and six of them were from baseball, one from softball and six were from the fall soccer season. We refunded one because they moved out of state and we denied four, counting Mr. Higgins. The reasons listed on the denials were, one changed their mind, two couldn't make practice nights due to another commitment, and then Mr. Higgins's request. Another thing that was mentioned was children being turned away when trying to register; the league we play in has deadlines set to register teams. If someone tries to register after the teams are set and there is no more room on the roster, they will be turned away. We order extra uniforms to accommodate full rosters in each age group. We have had some rosters that carry up to thirteen players on a team. We try to allow everyone that wants to play the opportunity to play. There are some circumstances that we have to turn players away due to late sign-ups and a full roster. At this point, if Mr. Higgins is still interested in a refund, I would encourage him to call me as directed in my letter.

Mayor Webster: After Mr. Higgins presented his situation to us two weeks ago, I know there were several comments on Council and I asked that we just cool it and asked Mr. Parham to look into it and pull together all of the facts. He has done so and at this point I would like for him to share those with City Council and the audience.

Mr. Parham: Thank you, Mayor Webster. What I am passing down to you is the timeline of the information that we were able to gather from speaking to the employees of the Community Center and you will find not only the timeline but you will also find a copy of the registration, you will find a copy of a document that shows the coach's meeting and the list of coaches and the email that was sent from Charlie Wilson, who is the Recreation Programmer for the City, who oversees the program from our prospective. I will kind of go through those items. On September 10th, 2015, Mrs. Shari Higgins registered her son Steven Higgins for the 5th grade boys' basketball team. She paid \$40 with a check number 5835, which is made out to Springdale Youth Boosters. If you were to review the Minutes from the last meeting, the Mayor had asked Mr. Higgins whether or not he had paid with a check and whether or not he had written a check out to Springdale Youth Boosters. The response was "No", that he believed they had paid in cash. The document, I think two pages behind shows a copy of the registration. It shows at the bottom of the page, highlighted, "paid \$40" under "Office Use Only", received by employee Kim, by check number 5855 instead of 5835; and the date is 9-10-2015. On October 28th, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., the basketball coach's meeting was held at the Community Center. Coach Steven Brooks was unable to attend so his assistant Joe Svach came in his place (in place of Coach Brooks). He received a copy of the roster to give to Coach Brooks. Steven Higgins name was not on that roster. The next document you will see behind the registration is the Coach's meeting sign-up sheet. You will see where everyone signed up. Mid-way down on the page, you will see from the far left B-Level 5; the next column Steven Brooks is the Coach; it shows a phone number and then shows an email address for Mr. Brooks and I even see where Mr. Svach signed to show he was in attendance that evening. On November 3rd, 2015, Coach Brooks' team was scheduled for their first practice, but due to the Election Day activities, they did not have their practice. Every team that has a practice, there is a schedule so they have an idea when they are supposed to practice. On November 4th, Charlie Wilson arrived at work to find a note in his mailbox that Mrs. Shari Higgins had either called or stopped in on that date, November 3rd. The note referenced that Mrs. Higgins was concerned that practice had started and that she was not called by Coach Brooks for practice. Charlie then also had received a voicemail from Coach Brooks indicating that he had spoken with Mrs. Higgins on the 3rd of November and Steve was not on his roster. Charlie checked the registration and noticed that the Higgins had paid and registered for the basketball. So you see this activity happened the same day that he found out, it wasn't after the family came back in a couple of weeks. It was simply that she came on the 3rd, left a message; he checked his voicemail and Coach Brooks indicated that Steven was not on his roster.

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Mr. Parham (continued): Charlie checked the registration and noticed it, he then spoke to Coach Brooks and informed him that Higgins was on the roster. Unfortunately, we had a glitch in the software system. According to the staff, the Higgins family was the very first child to sign up and there is on the software a button that says lottery. If you hit that lottery button, Mr. Karle can explain it better how that works, but in essence what it did is not demonstrate or show that the Higgins' child had been signed up. So, all the other children and families began to come in and sign up and they were on the very first roster that was passed out at the coach's meeting. The Higgins' child was not on that list. When Charlie found out, Charlie went back and saw the problem and then took off this lottery button which then showed the child on the list. Because of the software issue at the Community Center, Steven's name did not show up on Coach Brooks' list. Once the Recreation staff realized the error, they quickly corrected the mistake. On November 4th, again the same day, Charlie sent Coach Brooks an email with an updated roster that included Steven Higgins name and contact information. The next scheduled practice would have been for November 5th. If you then look at the next document that follows the roster of coaches, you will see an email from Charlie Wilson. I have circled the bottom part of it. It was sent on November 4th at 12:10 p.m. You can see again, if you reference back, you will see Coach Brooks email address. The message reads, "Attached is your new roster, you have eleven now. Unless you say otherwise, I am going to ask those on the waiting list to move up so they have a place to play". The next two pages, you will see is a copy of that attachment; that is the roster. On the second page there is only one name identified. The first ten children are listed on the front page and Steven Higgins is the only name because that is the name that was then added. If you look at the top left-hand corner you will also see the run-date for this document, as Charlie produced it. You will see the run-date as 11-4-15 and you will see the run-time was 12:06 p.m. Again, the email shows four minutes after he printed this off, he then sent the email to Coach Brooks. On November 10th, 2015 Shari Higgins visited the Community Center and requested a refund for \$40. Charlie stated that he provided Mrs. Higgins with the Springdale Youth Boosters "Request for Refund" document (a copy, as Mrs. Brooks talked about tonight). Here is a copy of that document. It is a little faded but I think you can still read that it shows the reason she indicated, that he was not placed on a team and she desired a refund. It goes on to say, in her reason for refund request Mrs. Higgins wrote, "Steven was left off the roster for the year". Charlie informed Mrs. Higgins that her son was on the roster. He also told her that there was a minor roster report error with our software and it has since been fixed and a corrected roster was sent to the coach. Mrs. Higgins replied, Steven Brooks told her that her son would not get enough playing time because there were eleven boys on the roster. Charlie then let her know that we have had more than eleven kids on the roster and every player gets an equal playing time. Mrs. Higgins then replied that her son has Boy Scouts on a practice night and it didn't work for his schedule. Charlie informed her that SYB meets once a month and the Board votes if someone is worthy of a refund. They would inform her of the voted decision. October 19th then shows that the Springdale Youth Boosters had their monthly meeting. It also identifies, as Mrs. Brooks read, the reasons they would offer someone a refund. On November 20th, which the letter is the last document and is dated November 19th, but what Charlie has provided me is November 20th. I didn't change his information, other than recapturing this, Sharon Brooks, SYB President, sent a letter to Shari Higgins explaining the refund request does not fall within the guidelines for a refund. As we have investigated this, it doesn't appear that there was incompetence on the part of staff as suggested to you at the last meeting. It doesn't appear that Mr. Higgins, Steven Higgins and their family was treated unfairly. What it suggests to us in all of the information is that there was a decision made by the family and the family decided that they preferred to have Steven in scouts as opposed to playing basketball. We admit that there was an error in the system, but as the evidence and information presents itself, immediately when we found out about the error we fixed that error that same day. It didn't even take us twenty-four hours. We fixed it the same day, the information was sent to the Coach and the Coach was then asked to contact the family and notify the family that the child was now on the list. On November 10th, when she then comes back to the Community Center which is six days later, she suggests that he is not on the roster and not on the team because he was left off the roster. Well, clearly on the 4th of November he was placed on the roster and that roster was given to the Coach. And then she followed up with, well the reason is that he has a conflict in his schedule for Boy Scouts. Well, apparently that wasn't one of the reasons that SYB will refund. Again, that is the information that we have been able to gather as we looked into this situation. I will answer any questions that you may have.

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Mayor Webster: While Mr. Parham was gathering all this information at the Rec Center, I took the opportunity to personally visit with Coach Brooks and I asked him point-blank, "Steve, did you have any practices before Steven Higgins was assigned to your team?" He thought for a minute and he looked me right in the eye and said, "We did not. It was scheduled for Election Day but we did not have a practice". So, Steven Higgins did not miss any practice time. I further quizzed Mr. Brooks about having eleven players on the roster. He indicates that the league rules states that every child has to play a quarter and a half. He said, "I take it one step farther, I try to divide up the playing time equally among all ten or eleven kids on my team". Now granted if you have ten kids and you are going to equalize the playing time and then all of a sudden you have an eleventh added, everybody is going to play a little less but I think that Mr. Brooks has a tremendous record down at the Community Center and I think Mr. Karly or ask anybody else about Steve's record, he doesn't just play the minimum which a lot of coaches do. If he got a bad player, and I am not saying that Mr. Higgins' kid is a bad player by any stretch of the imagination, but some coaches might say, "that is a bad player and I'll just play him the minimum one and a quarter". That is not Coach Brooks' mentality; that is not the way he does things and he does make every attempt to equalize the playing time. So, I think that we had a glitch in the system but I don't think that Mr. Higgins' son suffered any repercussions from that, he was timely placed on a team, he did not miss any practices. I think that Mr. Parham's facts are right, I think this was a family decision that changed from basketball to Scouting, which is fine but don't accuse our Boosters which are a bunch of un-paid loyal citizens that we beg and plead to try to recruit people that will give their time and effort to the youth sports. So don't accuse those people or our Community Center staff and call them incompetent because of a minor software glitch that was correctly very quickly; I take great exception to it and my biggest fear is that we have on our agenda, and we have had for years and years and years, two sections where anybody, any resident can stand up and talk to Council, you don't have to pre-register, you don't have to tell us what the topic is going to be; we welcome you to come up here. I would hope that situations like this don't deter somebody from coming up and talking because we have had this on the agenda for years and years and years and I would hope that we could continue to have it. But, at the same time if somebody stands there and accuses City staff of being incompetent, takes a bunch of volunteers to task then I am going to stand up for them and we are going to get to the bottom of it and we are going to present the facts to you folks and we are going to present the facts to Mr. Higgins or anybody else that stands up there and does that. Thank you.

Mrs. Brooks: Thank you.

Mr. Higgins: I would just like to make a couple of corrections to the timeline there and some of the things that were left out. As we were aware, shortly after Steve Brooks, prior to Halloween that he wasn't on the roster. My wife did go in and check and it was confirmed, he was left off the roster. I don't even think Scouts existed in Springdale prior to that, I think that November 3rd may have been the first meeting of Scouts. So, having found out we put Steven in that, the practice times weren't even established. We do have Boy Scouts and participate in both but I don't think we knew or we were told that Steven was added to the roster on the 4th and I didn't hear you read that in your timeline. I think we found out that, "Oh, he has been added", was on the 10th when my wife went back up there and said, "Oh no, he has been added". Because we weren't contacted that somebody had administratively had sent him over. So, somewhere between the 28th, 29th and November 10th, we had told my son that he was left off of the roster after talking with Coach Brooks, which we had when we found out he was left off, that is when we were told that he had been left off and if he gets stuck on it that it would severely affect his playing time. Later on, after that we made the decision that we would move him over into Scouting. We signed him up for basketball back on September 10th, as you said; we weren't told he was left off until Steve Brooks told us it was sometime prior or around Halloween. We weren't told he was back on it until the 10th. By that point and time we had already told our son, "We're sorry, there was a mistake, you were left off the roster and you are not playing". One other thing that Derrick said, as you said that every boy on the team is granted equal playing time. And I think the Mayor kind of came back and corrected that that there is a minimal amount of time that they are required to play, I heard tonight that it was a quarter and a half, that might be true. I was actually told at the time that is was one quarter. So that is what we were told that he was going to be practicing to play one quarter. So that evolved into our decision and as clearly said in our report we asked for the refund because he was left off.

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Mr. Parham: Mr. Higgins, I cannot tell you when Coach Brooks may have had his conversation with your wife, but I can tell you that Charlie Wilson sat in my office and said to me that he did have a conversation with your wife even on the 10th, if I give it to you on the 10th, before she completed that document he had the conversation with her. And he told her then that your son was on the team, but yet she put the reason for your son wanting the refund, that he is left off. If she believed that was the reason, after Charlie had already told her that he was on the roster, there is no reason to fill out the document to say that he is left off the roster; he is on the roster. Before I give you a document to complete, I tell you he is on the roster. If the conflict, which was what she communicated later, was because of Scouts, I think that should have been the appropriate reason for placing on the document; not that he is left off. She knew he was on the roster before she completed the form.

Mr. Higgins: We had the conversation with my ten-year old son as to why he was left off the team and not on the roster well prior to that. It is a very difficult conversation to have with a small child that has played basketball with his friends for the past four years to suddenly tell him, "You are not playing this year". So we had already gone past all of that before we went into our attempt for the rebate because we were told he is not on the roster, it is going to affect his playing time. That was a hard conversation to have, we tried to get him encouraged about Scouting, "Something new, move past it, Steven, we are sorry some mistakes were made, we will put this behind you". Even tonight I don't feel that it is real apologetic, "Hey we are sorry, errors were made, here is what happened, here is the timeline". I felt attacked tonight. I was a citizen that went in, payed my tax, payed my fee to play, got told hey there were mistakes, he was left off the roster, it is going to affect his playing time. I didn't get, "We are sorry, here is your money back, we really apologize"; I got all of this. That is my reason for standing up last week when I said, "Hey, it really wasn't about all of the money", it is kind of how you are treated when something like this goes on. I think this kind of helped show that point. I was a parent of a small child that went forward and wanted my kid to play sports, something happened and I didn't get, "We are sorry, here it is". I got treated in a manner that I don't think I would want to be treated as a parent and a resident of Springdale. Thank you.

Mr. Parham: Sir, I can appreciate the discussion you had with the child. The discussion that our staff had was not with the child. The discussion was with an adult, your spouse. You had your discussion with your child somewhere else.

Mr. Higgins: Prior to being told that that had changed.

Mr. Parham: Well, that is not my issue. My issue is I appreciate that is a difficult discussion to have. My issue is that your wife is told before she fills out the document that your son is on the roster but your wife instead fills out a document that says the reason, and she is not talking to her child at that time, there is no reason to put that he is left off of the roster after she has been told that he is on the roster. That is not the discussion. If you felt attacked, believe me I felt attacked last time you were here when you began to attack the staff and talk about how incompetent they were. I haven't called you any names and nor would I do that.

Mr. Higgins: It was a computer glitch and I understand. I didn't know why he was left off, I know we went in and paid. We went back in on the 3rd and we were told "He is not of the roster, he is not registered, somebody will look into it and somebody will get back to them". Something happened and if I used the term incompetent, I did not know that it was a computer glitch of the lottery or whatever it was. I just knew I went in and I paid, we were obviously the first one that paid, we were trying to put him on the roster. November 3rd, you go in and you are told, "He is not on the roster and the rosters are full, we will get with somebody and we will have somebody get back to you". Then we didn't have any conversation, I can certainly tell you that nobody got back with me until my wife went in on the 10th when we said, "All right, go in and get your refund, he is not on it", because Coach Brooks may have been notified on the 4th that he was on the team but there was no phone call or correspondence or anything to us to tell him that he is on the team, until the 10th when we go in and say, "You know what, we would like our money back, you guys left him off of the roster". They said, "No, no, no, we put him on the roster". By the 10th there had been several practices by that point and time and we had moved Steven on into Scouting after being told he wasn't on the roster. Those were the actual reasons for our decision.

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Mr. Parham: Mr. Higgins, you had plenty of enough time to contact SYB, to contact Charlie Wilson, to contact Greg Karle, to contact Derrick Parham, to contact Doyle Webster; instead of contacting those people and asking the question, you chose to come here two meetings ago and attack us, attack the staff. I don't mind if you attack me, but when you attack the staff and you refer to them as incompetent; you didn't take the time to find out if there was a computer glitch, you didn't take the time to find out anything. You began to talk about this is why people don't sign up for the programs, without having any facts. If you had stopped and asked the question of any of us, just like I did this time, I would have asked the Director the question. The Directors know I will ask the questions, because we are going to find out what happened, we don't want any children treated the way you described. Your child wasn't treated the way you described. Your family wasn't treated in that manner. For you to stand there and accuse the staff and the volunteers of this community; you should have apologized, but I haven't heard that yet.

Mr. Higgins: And I did, I said I am sorry to the staff if it was an incompetent message. I did not know.

Mr. Parham: It wasn't a message, sir, it was a statement.

Mr. Higgins: You've turned the floor over to me please, sir. My message when I started out was directed specifically at the citizens' panel of the youth sports that was being created to look at why children aren't participating and I wanted to share a story as to what happened as I went through this and what kind of feeling, taste it left in my mouth after having dealt with these groups. It was not specifically designed to come in here and ask Council for a refund. It wasn't specifically designed to attack the staff, it was just to say hey we are looking at reasons as to why the citizens' action panel is looking at why kids are not playing sports and I specifically addressed, I knew of several other children that had come up to me and said, "Yeah, we were trying to sign up", and, I don't know if it was because it was too late, I don't know if it was because the rosters were closed, I just know I had six other kids coming up and saying "Yeah, we wanted to play too", "My son is not playing this year". There is a lot more people out there that do want to participate in the youth sports, for whatever reason they were turned away, I don't know. But, I can tell you which children and which families addressed that with me and like I said it might have been after the deadline had closed, it might have been because the rosters were full, I don't know. I just know there are more children out there that would like to participate in youth sports and I wanted to kind of describe this incident to why it left a sour taste in my mouth.

Mayor Webster: Mr. Higgins, what you are standing here portraying is the fact that you found out early on that your kid is not on the team. Your kid is all upset about it and I would think that you and your wife would be upset about it. You didn't pick up the phone; you didn't call anybody; you didn't try to resolve the situation for your child. I mean, give me a break here. When you get Mrs. Brooks' letter, she has got her cell phone right down there. Yeah, you and your wife down at the Community Center, you know what the phone number is, you know who runs the Community Center. Greg Karle had no contact with you. I had no contact, Mr. Parham had no contact; but you chose to come before this Body to say, "It wasn't to get my \$40 back, but the money is not an issue". I don't understand why you came here; if it is to help the CAP Committee. Mrs. Brooks gave us some numbers here of the people that didn't get their money back last year and I think there were four families, counting you. Three other families that moved out of town.

Mrs. Brooks: We refunded one because they moved out of state and we denied four, counting Mr. Higgins. The reasons listed on the denials were, one changed their mind and two couldn't make practice nights due to other time commitments and then Mr. Higgins's request.

Mayor Webster: Which is the same thing that happened with your child, you had a conflict with the practices and the games; the games are Saturday morning, they have been Saturday morning forever, and ever and ever. I understand there are Scout activities on Saturday mornings. Mr. Brooks, Coach Brooks, whose son Landon is also a member of the Scouts, and you say your child wanted to play with these same kids - he didn't play on Mr. Brooks' team last year.

Mr. Higgins: No.

Mayor Webster: It wasn't a different set of kids then, right?

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Mr. Higgins: Some of the kids on Mr. Brooks' team were the same kids on my son's team including his best friend.

Mayor Webster: Well, I can only echo Mr. Parham's comments in that we do take exception when people stand up here and make unfounded allegations and I think you did that. I think there is sort of a pattern here, if you get right down to it, the first time you addressed this Council about two and a half years ago, all of a sudden we are accused of having an outdated website because we didn't have the right amount of days that you had to file a petition for the general election; it was out fault right off of the bat, the City needs to update their website. Well, the facts bore out the fact that the website was correct, the Board of Elections is the one that gave you bad information. But, right off of the bat it is the City's fault. Give us a break here, if you've got a problem then I would ask you to follow the chain of command, get it resolved and if that fails you are just as welcome as all of the community to stand up here but let's get the facts straight and all of the facts not just part of them.

Mr. Higgins: I agree on your comment on that and with that I want to take you back to the reason why I was in here two and a half years ago and I invite you to read those minutes because the first half of why I came in here and addressed Council was specifically because of a completely different issue that we needed help with that we had escalated up through.

Mayor Webster: It was a Building Department issue, as I recall.

Mr. Higgins: And we weren't getting information back from the Building Department on three different times and three different phone calls.

Mayor Webster: And I think that has been resolved or was resolved. Okay, and that is fine.

Mr. Higgins: The other thing that I mentioned was just a side note that, "Hey, I found this out when I went down there", and I was kind of letting you know it wasn't an accusation but it was what, based on the information the Board of Elections had told me, and I was just kind of said, "Hey", I was just letting you know that. But it was directly and I think we found out that the Board of Elections was completely wrong and had given me bad information at the time.

Mayor Webster: That is exactly right. All I ask is just please keep an open mind.

President Vanover: Would anyone else like to address Council for any reason? (None)
We will close Communications from the Audience.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance No. 32-2015

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 50-2014 TO PROVIDE FOR WAGE INCREASES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Harlow made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Emerson seconded.

Mr. Parham: Council, as you are aware, as part of the 2016 budget we recommended two percent cost of living wage increase for the employees, all full-time employees and then the part-time employees of the Springdale Fire Department and this is what this ordinance reflects.

Ordinance No. 32-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Ordinance No. 33-2015

ACCEPTING A BID AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK OF COUNCIL/FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RUMPKO OF OHIO, INC., FOR WASTE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Emerson made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Harlow seconded. Ordinance No. 33-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

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Ordinance No. 34-2015

ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION/ESTIMATED RECEIPTS ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES AND ADJUST ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FOR THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015

Mr. Diehl made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Harlow seconded. Ordinance No. 34-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Ordinance No. 35-2015

ADOPTING A TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016, UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 APPROPRIATION PERMANENT ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL

Mrs. Emerson made a motion to adopt; Mr. Hawkins seconded. Ordinance No. 35-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Ordinance No. 36-2015

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK OF COUNCIL/FINANCE DIRECTOR TO AMEND THE CONTRACT OF CT CONSULTANTS, INC., FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES TO THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Emerson made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Harlow seconded.

Mr. Hawkins: Thank you Mr. President. The increase in this is minimal but I do want to make sure that we are still maintaining the idea of making sure any increase request are getting to Council before we are doing our budget. Again, this is a minor increase so I will be in support of it but it is coming very late in the game. The letter was dated November 30th and we have the budget on the 2nd of December. I think we had those discussions a couple of years ago, that we were going to make sure we got these out. I think Mr. Parham sent something out probably in August or so, to see if there are any changes that are requested. So, I just want to make sure that we are not backsliding any with regard to that.

Ordinance No. 36-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Ordinance No. 37-2015

SETTING THE ANNUAL COMPENSATION FOR THE ELECTED MAYOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Emerson made a motion to adopt; Mr. Hawkins seconded. Ordinance No. 37-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Mayor Webster: Thank you, Council, I appreciate that.

Resolution No. R24-2015

CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF SCOTT GARRISON AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Mrs. Emerson made a motion to adopt; Mr. Diehl seconded.

Mayor Webster: I just would like to speak on behalf of the three people listed in this and the following resolution here. Mr. Scott Garrison is a pharmacist at our local CVS; he has been on the Board, I think for just over two years and Scott has been a real contributor, he brings a great deal of knowledge to the Board. So, I certainly would ask for your support. The following one, for R25, is for Lynn Jones. Lynn has been with us for twenty years. She is a retired nurse and works part-time; a couple months a year. She has also been a real contributor to the Board. The final one is Mr. Jim Squires and need I say more. Mr. Squires is with us this evening and he served as liaison to Council for the last four years and he has done a remarkable job and we are pleased to have a position open that we can work him into and continue to benefit from his knowledge and expertise. I urge your support for all three of these.

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Resolution No. R24-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Resolution No. R25-2015

CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF LYNN JONES AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Mrs. Emerson made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Harlow seconded. Resolution No. R25-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Resolution No. R26-2015

CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JAMES SQUIRES AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Mr. Diehl made a motion to adopt; Mr. Hawkins seconded. Resolution No. R26-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Resolution No. R27-2015

President Vanover: We do need some nominations; this is a Charter Revision Committee position. The first one would be Mr. Mastrello's expiring position. So, do I have any nominations?

Mr. Parham: The first one is Mrs. Pardieck's.

President Vanover: I stand corrected. The first one will be the completion of Mrs. Pardieck's term; that would be for a one-year period, expiring December 31, 2016.

Mrs. Harlow: Mr. Dan Jacobs has expressed an interest in serving on the Charter Revision Committee. Mr. Jacobs is a graduate of Miami University. He has a Bachelor of Science in Education and a Minor in Political Science. He has been a resident of the City of Springdale for ten years and he is also a government teacher in the Fairfield City Schools. So, I would like to nominate Mr. Jacobs.

Mr. Diehl: I'd like to place a nomination for Mr. William Hafer. Most of us know him as Butch. Mr. Hafer has lived in Springdale for thirty-eight years, along with his wife Susan and two sons who graduated from Princeton. He spent thirty-seven years within the Springdale Police Department. Thank you.

President Vanover: Any further nominations? (None.)

Mr. Diehl: I have a question. Mr. Jacobs, isn't he already a Member of the Tax Committee? Can you serve for another committee?

Mayor Webster: You cannot be a member of any other committee and serve on the Charter Revision.

Mrs. Harlow: He would have to resign from the Tax Committee.

Mr. Diehl: Maybe he doesn't want to do that. Mr. Jacobs?

Mr. Jacobs: I wasn't aware of that conflict.

Mr. Diehl: Well, I don't want to talk you out of it either. Do you want to resign from the Tax Committee? I guess the decision is yours.

Mr. Jacobs: If Council saw fit, I would resign from the Tax Committee.

President Vanover: So we have Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Hafer.

Mrs. McNear: If Council will fill out their secret ballots and pass them to me, I will read them out loud as I open them up. (City Council Members completed the secret ballots.) Five for Mr. Jacobs and two for Mr. Hafer.

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President Vanover: With that, we will add Mr. Jacobs to Resolution R27-2015.

APPOINTING DAN JACOBS AS A MEMBER OF THE CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE

Mr. Hawkins made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Harlow seconded. Resolution No. R27-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

President Vanover: Welcome to Charter Revision; and just as a housekeeping, we will need your resignation.

Resolution No. R28-2015

President Vanover: This is to fill the expiring term of Mr. Mastrullo.

Mr. Hawkins: I nominate Mr. Dan Mastrullo. He has been a resident since 1975, which was a good year because that is when I was born. He is a U.S. Army Veteran; he is retired from the Postal Service; he spent thirty-two years there and was also Superintendent there. He has been very involved in the City, coaching youth sports; which he coached me years and years and years ago. He attends most Council meetings and has served on the Charter Revision Board for the last few years.

Mrs. Harlow: I would like to nominate Mr. Ed Knox. He has indicated that he would like to serve on the Charter Revision Committee. I don't think we really need to introduce Mr. Knox but I will tell the audience that he has been our Clerk of Council Finance Director for twelve years. He served on Council for four years and he has also served Council in the Redistricting Committee as well as the Zoning Review Committee and both of those were quite involved Committees that took quite a bit of time. So I would nominate Mr. Knox. Thank you.

President Vanover: Any further nominations? (None.) So, we have Mr. Knox and Mr. Mastrello. Council you have your ballots, please fill them out.

Mrs. McNear: Four are for Mr. Knox and three are for Mr. Mastrullo.

President Vanover: Okay. Please read Resolution No. R28-2015 with Mr. Knox's name.

APPOINTING ED KNOX AS A MEMBER OF THE CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Harlow made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Emerson seconded. Resolution No. R28-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Resolution No. R29-2015

President Vanover: This is for appointing a member for the expiring term of Mr. Coleman on the Civil Service. At this time we will accept nominations.

Mrs. Harlow: I would like to nominate Mr. Bob Coleman. He served on Civil Service for many years and he does an excellent job from what I hear.

President Vanover: Any other nominations? (None.) Seeing none, then by affirmation we will add Mr. Coleman's name to Resolution No. R29-2015 and read that.

APPOINTING ROBERT COLEMAN AS A MEMBER OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Mrs. Harlow made a motion to adopt; Mr. Hawkins seconded. Resolution No. R29-2015 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Old Business

- none

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New Business

Mayor Webster: I would like to bring to the attention of Council that we do have an opening on the Hamilton County Convention Facilities Authority for the Board of Directors, which Mr. Knox has served on when his term in office was over, he never wanted to go to another meeting in his life. I was sort of surprised when he volunteered to serve on Charter Revision, but that is another thing. The Convention Bureau as part of their bylaws says that there will be two members that will be appointed or recommended by the Hamilton County Municipal League. According to Stiney Vonderhaar, who is the Executive Director of the Hamilton County Municipal League, he spoke to Jeff Aluotto, who is the Assistant County Administrator; he said I spoke to Jeff to confirm the requirements of the CFA Board appointment. Based on the Ohio Revised Code, the two representatives from the Municipal League need to be from different political parties. So right now the one that is serving on the Board as a result of the Municipal Leagues recommendation is the Mayor of Blue Ash, Lee Czerwonka, who is a registered Republican. I think the seat doesn't have to go to Springdale but it is available to us and I would strongly urge Council to try to nominate somebody or recommend somebody to the Board to fill that. It has to be someone that is registered something other than a Republican. It can be an Independent or a Democrat, but it cannot be a Republican.

Mr. Hawkins: I am not a registered Republican. I am eligible and willing if Council sees fit, and whoever else has to make that determination.

President: I don't see any other lights. He has volunteered, he has thrown his name in the hat.

Mayor Webster: Okay. We will send your name in. Thank you very much.

President Vanover: Any further New Business? (None.)

Meetings and Announcements

Mr. Thamann: For the holiday season here, the City Administration Building will be closed Christmas Day and also New Year's Day. For everyone's information, there will be no Rumpke collection those two holidays, as well. The holiday hours for the Community Center will be as follows: Christmas Eve, they will open at 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., that is the complete Community Center; the Fitness Center and the track will open at 6:00 a.m., as usual. Christmas Day, they will be closed; New Year's Eve, again 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and again the Fitness Center and the track will open at 6:00 a.m. New Year's Day, the Community Center will be closed.

The Springdale Youth Boosters will be accepting spring and summer sign-ups the month of January for the following sports – Knothole Baseball, Instructional T-Ball, Girls' Softball and SAY Soccer. If you're interested, please contact the Community Center for registration fees and the eligibility requirement.

Finally, the AARP Income Tax help program will be again offered at the Community Center beginning Friday January 29th, and they will continue every Friday until April 10th. They will handle simple state and federal tax returns, free of charge. There are appointments that are an hour in length. If you would like an appointment or to make an arrangements for one please contact the Community Center beginning January 2nd. Thank you.

Mrs. McNear: Thank you, Mr. Thamann, for the notice on the garbage pick-up. It is also in the newsletter for the Christmas and New Year's Day schedule.

Mr. Thamann: On your waste collection, it is going to be moved back a day. Christmas and New Year's this year is on a Friday, so they will move it to Saturday.

Mrs. Emerson: The Springdale Board of Health will meet on January 14th, 7:00 p.m. in adjacent chambers.

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President Vanover: At this point I would like to take a quick note and wish everybody in the City, Merry Christmas and the start of a prosperous New Year and much health and we are looking forward to what 2016 brings forth.

Communications from the Audience - None

Dan Jacobs: I live at 509 West Kemper Road. I wanted to ask Council to officially accept my resignation for the Tax Review Board. I appreciate your support for the Charter Revision Committee.

President Vanover: As a matter of point, do we need a written letter of resignation?

Mr. Parham: It would be nice.

Mrs. Emerson: I make a motion that the Council to go into Executive Session as a committee of the whole to discuss Economic Development. (Mr. Hawkins seconded the motion and Council voted 7 – 0 to go into Executive session and departed chambers at 8:46 p.m. Council returned to chambers at 9:38 p.m.)

President Vanover: Council is back in session after and Executive Session. At this point in our agenda we are in update of legislation still in development.

Update on Legislation Still in Development

Mr. Hawkins: As you look at your internal memorandum, Item I was addressed with Ordinance No. 33-2015; which passed with a 7 – 0 vote; Item II was addressed with Ordinance No. 36-2015, which passed with a 7 – 0 vote; Item III was addressed with Ordinance No. 37-2015, which passed with a 7 – 0 vote; Item IV was addressed with Ordinance No. 32-2015, which passed with a 7 – 0 vote; Item V was addressed with Ordinance No. 34-2015, which passed with a 7 – 0 vote; and Item VI was addressed with Ordinance No. 35-2015, which passed with a 7 – 0 vote. Item VII dealt with Resolution No. 27-2015, which was for Dan Jacobs on the Charter Revision Board; that passed with 7 – 0 vote. Resolution No. 28-2015 was for Ed Knox being on the Charter Revision Board, which passed with a 7 – 0 vote and Resolution 29-2015 addressed Mr. Coleman being on the Civil Service Board, which also passed with a 7 – 0 vote. We had Item VIII Resolutions No. R24-2015, R25-2015, and R26-2015, appointing and confirming Mr. Garrison, Mrs. Jones, and Mr. Squires to the Board of Health, which all passed with 7 – 0 votes. Items IX, X, XI, and XII were all forthcoming.

Recap of Legislative Items Requested for Next Council Meeting

Mr. Hawkins: There is a request for an Ordinance Adopting an Annual Appropriations Estimated Receipts for Fiscal Year Ending December 31st, 2016, also a Resolution Authorizing the Investment of Municipal Funds, a Resolution Requesting Advance Payment from the County Auditor, and last, an Ordinance Adopting the new Zoning Regulations for the City of Springdale.

President Vanover: Administration, are we covered?

Mr. Parham: There is the two resolutions for the Tax Review Board.

President Vanover: Since Mr. Jacobs is resigning, we will need to fill that spot eventually, and that would be January 1st.

Mr. Parham: They only meet when there is a need for it, so you can appoint them at the January 6th meeting.

President Vanover: Alright; very good.

Mr. Parham: In the Pending Legislation report, I placed a note there requesting a photo opportunity of the full Council, so that we can update the website. If, perhaps at the January 6th meeting, we can show up at 6:50 p.m. to take the group photograph, then we will have the website updated.

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President Vanover: Okay. Everyone will be here, correct?

Mr. Parham: Yes.

Mr. Shroyer: Is there a right time to request a resolution thanking Mr. Mastrullo for his service.

President Vanover: Actually now would be just as appropriate as any and we will be sure to get that on a request for the next meeting.

Mr. Parham: We will have that scheduled for the January 6th meeting.

President Vanover: Okay, very good. Thank you, Mr. Shroyer.

Adjournment

Mr. Hawkins moved to adjourn, Mr. Shroyer seconded and Council adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McNear
Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Minutes Approved:
Tom Vanover, President of Council

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