

# MINUTES

## THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN CITY OF BRANSON, MISSOURI July 14, 2008

### INTRODUCTORY

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Branson, Missouri met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall on July 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Presley presiding, Stan Barker, Rick Davis, Sandra Williams, Stephen Marshall, Cris Bohinc and Bob McDowell present.

Also present from the City were: City Administrator Dean Kruithof, Assistant City Administrator Frank Schoneboom, City Attorney Paul Link, City Clerk Lisa Westfall, Director of Communications Jerry Adams, Director of Computer Information Services D.J. Cline, Director of Engineering David Miller, Director of Public Works Larry VanGilder, Fire Chief Carl Sparks, Director of Planning and Zoning Don Stephens, Police Chief Caroll McCullough and Parks Director Cindy Shook.

Mayor Presley called the meeting to order with the "Pledge of Allegiance" and Larry VanGilder gave the invocation.

Mayor Presley recognized and thanked Frank Schoneboom, Assistant City Administrator, for his service as Interim City Administrator and welcomed new City Administrator Dean Kruithof.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Presley began the Public Comments section of the Board of Aldermen meeting by stating that the Board would hear citizens that signed up to speak in the order of the first person signing the sheet.

There were no speakers for the evening.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Presley asked if there were any citizens that had any items they wished to have removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Presley asked if any member of the Board had any items they wished to have removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Presley asked City Clerk Westfall to read the items on the Consent Agenda. City Clerk Westfall read the following Consent Agenda items by title.

Approval of the Board of Aldermen Minutes:

June 23, 2008 regular meeting.  
June 30, 2008 special meeting  
July 8, 2008 special meeting.

Acknowledge receipt of minutes:

Capital Improvement Committee meeting of March 10, 2008.  
Capital Improvement Committee meeting of April 14, 2008.  
Park Board meeting of April 15, 2008.  
Planning and Zoning Commission study session of January 15, 2008.  
Planning and Zoning Commission meeting of June 3, 2008

**Bill No. 3550**

**Ord. No. 2008-064**     **Approving a Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 26, Article III, Division 1, Section 26-61 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to the definition of "solicit".**

Final reading of Bill No. 3550 an ordinance approving a Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 26, Article III, Division 1, Section 26-61 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to the definition of "solicit" was read by title by City Clerk Westfall. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2008-064 was duly enacted.

**Bill No. 3556**

**Ord. No. 2008-065**     **Approving an Agreement between the City of Branson and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission for Signing Installed and Maintained by Applicant, pertaining to the Route 165 designation for Gretna Road.**

Final reading of Bill No. 3556 an ordinance approving an Agreement between the City of Branson and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission for Signing Installed and Maintained by Applicant, pertaining to the Route 165 designation for Gretna Road and authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement was read by title by City Clerk Westfall. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2008-065 was duly enacted.

**Bill No. 3557**

**Ord. No. 2008-066**     **Approving an agreement between the City of Branson and Olsson Associates for the study and preliminary design of the Compton Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements.**

Final reading of Bill No. 3557 an ordinance approving an agreement between the City of Branson and Olsson Associates for the study and preliminary design of the Compton Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements, and authorizing the Mayor to enter into the agreement was read by title by City Clerk Westfall. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2008-066 was duly enacted.

**Bill No. 3558**

**Ord. No. 2008-067**     **Approving a Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 70 Section 70-10 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to temporary directional signage.**

Final reading of Bill No. 3558 an ordinance approving a Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 70 Section 70-10 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to temporary directional signage was read by title by City Clerk Westfall. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2008-067 was duly enacted.

**Bill No. 3559**  
**Ord. No. 2008-068**

**Approving a Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 415 Section 415.010 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to gravel parking surfaces.**

Final reading of Bill No. 3559 an ordinance approving a Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 415 Section 415.010 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to gravel parking surfaces was read by title by City Clerk Westfall. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2008-068 was duly enacted.

**Bill No. 3560**  
**Ord. No. 2008-069**

**Awarding the bids to North Central Laboratories, Hach Company, VWR International, LLC and Orbeco-Hellige, Inc. for chemicals and supplies used in the water and wastewater treatment laboratories for the City of Branson.**

Final reading of Bill No. 3560 an ordinance awarding the bids to North Central Laboratories, Hach Company, VWR International, LLC and Orbeco-Hellige, Inc. for chemicals and supplies used in the water and wastewater treatment laboratories for the City of Branson and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contracts was read by title by City Clerk Westfall. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2008-069 was duly enacted.

**Bill No. 3561**  
**Ord. No. 2008-070**

**Awarding the bid to APAC-MO, Inc. to furnish materials and labor to construct cast-in-place concrete curb and guttering for the Public Works Department of the City of Branson.**

Final reading of Bill No. 3561 an ordinance awarding the bid to APAC-MO, Inc. to furnish materials and labor to construct cast-in-place concrete curb and guttering for the Public Works Department of the City of Branson and authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract was read by title by City Clerk Westfall. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2008-070 was duly enacted.

Mayor Presley opened the floor for a motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda as presented. Alderman Barker moved to approve, seconded by Alderman Marshall. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

**Bill No. 3562**                    **Approving a Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 62, Article 1, Section 62-11 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to park user fees.**

First reading of Bill No. 3562, an ordinance approving a Municipal Code amendment to Chapter 62, Section 62-11 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to park user fees was read by title by City Clerk Westfall and the staff report was presented by Cindy Shook. Mayor Presley asked for a motion approving the first reading of Bill No. 3562. Alderman Barker moved to approve, seconded by Alderman Davis. Mayor Presley then asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Gary Groman, 230 Riverpoint Road, Hollister, Missouri thanked the Board for approving this and asked in (2) deployed overseas be removed. Alderwoman Williams moved to amend Section 62-11(a)(2) to read "Upon presentation of papers by a parent or legal guardian showing a parent is on Board of Aldermen

active duty, the ...”, seconded by Barker. Mayor Presley asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding the amendment. Hearing none, Mayor Presley asked for comments from the Board. Mayor Presley called for a vote on the amendment. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Mayor Presley asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak regarding the bill as amended. Hearing none, Mayor Presley asked for comments from the Board. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Bill No. 3563**                    **Approving the renewal of the Letter of Engagement with Cochran Head Vick & Co., P.C. for auditing services for the City of Branson.**

First reading of Bill No. 3563, an ordinance approving the renewal of the Letter of Engagement with Cochran Head Vick & Co., P.C. for auditing services for the City of Branson and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same was read by title by City Clerk Westfall and the staff report was presented by Frank Schoneboom. Mayor Presley asked for a motion approving the first reading of Bill No. 3563. Alderwoman Williams so moved, seconded by Alderman Marshall. Mayor Presley then asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Hearing none, Mayor Presley asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Bill No. 3564**                    **Approving a Municipal Code amendment by deleting Chapter 10 and enacting a new Chapter 10 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to alcoholic beverages.**

First reading of Bill No. 3564, an ordinance approving a Municipal Code amendment by deleting Chapter 10 and enacting a new Chapter 10 of the Branson Municipal Code pertaining to alcoholic beverages was read by title by City Clerk Westfall and the report was presented by Mayor Presley. Mayor Presley asked for a motion approving the first reading of Bill No. 3564. Alderwoman Williams so moved, seconded by Alderman Marshall. Alderwoman Williams moved to amend the ordinance as follows: 1. In Section 10-51(i) add to the second sentence after premises: “, provided however a consumer may bring upon the premises such quantities of the intoxicating liquor as may be consumed by the consumer and their guests, so long as the licensee does not take charge of the intoxicating liquor nor retain any of said intoxicating liquor upon the premises and during which time the licensee may charge a fee for uncorking or allowing the patron to consume their intoxicating liquor on the licensed premises.” 2. In Section 10-54(a)(1) add to the sentence after customers: “, provided however a consumer may bring upon the premises such quantities of intoxicating liquor as may be consumed by the consumer and their guests, so long as the licensee does not take charge of the intoxicating liquor nor retain any of said intoxicating liquor upon the premises and during which time the licensee may charge a fee for uncorking or allowing the patron to consume their intoxicating liquor on the licensed premises;” 3. In Section 10-54(a)(8) add before the word customer, “intoxicated”. 4. In Section 10-57(a) add after the word motel, “resort”. 5. In Section 10-57(b) add to the end of the sentence after the word premises: “, except as provided in Section 10-54(b).”, seconded by Alderman Marshall. Mayor Presley then asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this amendment. Jory Rolf, 1392 Skyview Drive, Branson, Missouri, inquired about the ability to bring liquor into a pool area. Mark Weisz, 386 Dalton Drive, Branson, Missouri thanked Alderwoman Williams for bringing forth the amendment. Mayor Presley asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Mayor Presley called for a vote on the amendment. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried. Mayor Presley then asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this bill as amended. Darin Coden, 206 Commercial Street, Branson, Missouri, distributed a handout titled 2008 Real Estate Report. He questioned the difference between areola and nipple and asked if maps were available to show what areas and places sell liquor and if they were available to the public. He asked if this ordinance covered age and if there was an issue over Chicago hotdog stands. He said if anyone on the Board owns a liquor license it is inappropriate for them to vote on this issue and the Public Comment sign-up sheet was not available when he arrived. He commented

on the retreat and said he thought it was great. He said family values were discussed and he asked what that meant. He mentioned the Taliban removing their turbans to drink beer in Texas and said when people go on vacation they may want to drink beer. He said this bill creates an extra expense for the taxpayers and doesn't provide an income. Jimmy Nicholas, 530 Parnell, Branson, Missouri stated this 47 page compilation should be completely rejected and started over with a simple amendment stating where changes are being made in the current Chapter 10 so citizens can better understand. He asked what was wrong with the current ordinance and if there were enough violations to justify all of the changes. He stated he feels this amendment will pass regardless because minds are made up but everyone's needs should be understood and every business owner should be respected by the City. He asked about cost. He said if laws are being broken under the current Chapter 10 the police should be called and the matter taken care of in court. Jory Rolf, 1392 Skyview Drive, Branson, Missouri said it was a privilege to attend the retreat and he appreciated the integrity of the process. He stated he feels the Board has a mandate from the citizens in that the two top areas of importance in the city survey were a safe environment and a family friendly community and that will not get accomplished by getting more alcohol into the community. He said he does not feel the committee went far enough with the restrictions and would like the City to continue to look into restrictions for the water and boats. He said he would like to see an equation on the number of liquor licenses that can be added and where they will be located because he feels there does not need to be more. He encouraged the Board to pass this and look into further restrictions for Sunday mornings. Rick Huffman, 420 Sunnybrook, Branson, Missouri stated the Director of Liquor Control will have a lot of authority and in order to keep this good and clean he suggested the Director go through the regular human resources procedure and be hired by the City Manager instead of being appointed by the Mayor or Board of Aldermen as stated in the proposed ordinance and the language be changed to reflect on Page 2 under *Director*. He said parts of 10-81 (a) and (b), page 40, need clarification. He asked how 10-93 got to 2500 feet and how it will work within a business district and said it seems very excessive. He asked if any changes had been made to 10-51 (n) regarding drink specials. Mark Weisz, 386 Dalton Drive, Branson, Missouri requested the 2500 feet in Section 10-93(1) pertaining to number, density and types of licenses or permits and 10-93(2) pertaining to type of businesses or commercial uses be removed. He said in 10-93(4) the type of entertainment shouldn't be questioned. He stated this ordinance does a lot more than just regulate people being intoxicated on city streets, it regulates the value of a piece of property and limits what people can do with their property and gives a lot of authority to the Director who might modify the use of a piece of land. He also asked that 10-92(4) be amended from 300 feet to 100 feet for the Downtown D zoning district. Eric Farris, 1015 Hwy 248, Branson, Missouri said his concern is this ordinance is over reaching and over broad. He said the largest stated reason for the work of the task force and this proposed ordinance is to combat teenage drinking but most of the proposed ordinance addresses unrelated issues and places inappropriate restrictions upon the public and community businesses. He said Directors are commonly appointed by the City Manager and he urged the Board to make that amendment in the definition section. Another concern is Section 10-93 not being law but things to be considered. He said it either needs to be a restriction or removed. Mr. Farris listed the following as areas of concern: Sections 10-11 is too broad and gives the director too much discretion and control. 10-11(a)(1) requires too much personal information to be placed on the application for anyone investing more than 10%; In 10-11(a)(8) the statement of "any distiller, wholesaler, supplier of manual or mechanical amusement devices, etc., who has any financial interest in the applicant"... then further in the ordinance 10-26 it shows these types of financial interest are prohibited and a license would not be issued; 10-11(a)(11) disclosure of true ownership, does not appear to be a problem so why is a solution needed. And 10-11(a)(15) director can ask for any additional information, may not be needed. Section 10-12(a) Director investigation. Mr. Farris asked why the City is requiring a double set of licensing. If the State requires this information then the State will provide it and a City license will not be issued without a State license. He said he would feel better about it being at Jefferson City than at Branson City Hall. He stated everyone is going to know the Director, why pay the director at the city level. He also said he had concerns with Sections 10-12, licensee required to submit supplemental report within 15 days of any loan relating directly or indirectly to the licensed business. He asked what that requirement is solving. Article V, he stated his concern about director position being a big expense along with support personnel, pay and benefits and maybe the City would be better off spending the money in the community to fight teenage drinking. He said the Finance Department, which handles Liquor License requests, still needs a Director, if necessary hire more staff for collections from entities not paying taxes, and keep the licenses in the Finance Department and there will be no need to hire an Alcohol Director. Section 10-35(a)(1), Mr. Farris asked Board of Aldermen

for a definition of an orderly place. (b), Family members. 10-37, director can close; State has that authority and why duplicate the process. 10-50(f)(1), Keg registration is not addressed, if the Board is fighting underage drinking this should be addressed. He said he had concerns with 10-51(f) and (g). 10-54(b), State Law. 10-55(b), inconsistent. 10-81, drinking in public already described. Mr. Farris stated if the City is fighting underage drinking some additions need to be made such as displaying license in the front window of business along with sticker showing that business will not serve teens. He provided a handout showing the sticker. He suggested getting the community involved, set up a victim impact panel to visit schools, institute a covert underage buyer program (CUB), place undercover officers in stores, place people outside stores to try to obtain alcohol, set up a party buster hotline. Mr. Farris said this is a bad law in total, take out the parts that will benefit the chief, slow down, don't scramble and have a bad law. He suggested the bill be tabled, amend what is needed and solve only what is needed.

The meeting recessed at 8:58 and reconvened at 9:09.

Nolan Berry, 1936 Day Road, Walnut Shade, Missouri asked for an amendment concerning the 300 feet to 100 feet next to a church. He said he is speaking as a member of a church on Commercial Street that did not get notice of this meeting nor the impact such an amendment may have. This church has been a good citizen of the City for over 80 years. He said 300 feet interval has been on the books for years and anyone buying property knows it is there and it is unfair to the church to change it now and no exception should be given to the downtown area. He stated with the parking limitations in the downtown area people would have to walk in front of liquor establishments to get to the church. He asked the Board not to follow that recommendation. Lucy Combs, 211 Riverbend Road, Branson, Missouri thanked the Board and Committee's work on this. She said we have to have laws and if businesses follow the law they will not have to worry about the director. She said she has faith a good director will be hired. Dan Ruda, 103 Gaylewood, Branson, Missouri said he feels the proposed ordinance goes too far with regulations to comply with and the cost to hire a liquor director may not be justified with the limited licenses. He said the ordinance goes too far in privacy of individuals, financial affairs, capital accounts, loan requests and distributions of income and this information in the hands of the wrong person could be predatory. He asked the Board not to create problems that are not there. He asked if this was copied from other communities, who from and did the Committee try to mesh this with the goal of trying to keep liquor under control, operate good business and taking care of guests coming to Branson or did the Committee get carried away. He said the sections he was concerned about are 10-51(d), 10-58(c)(1), 10-70(c) regarding the employment of minors and those regulations may be far reaching and 10-86 regulating golf courses. Chris Myer, 157 Country Bluff Drive, Branson, Missouri said alcohol is a drug and should be regulated, it affects many people in a negative way and if this saves one life it is worth it. He suggested modifications to the following sections: 10-5 insert a boat without gambling to solidify the position of the Board. He asked the Board to add restrictions to Sunday morning sales. He said in Section 10-3(b) wine sales can begin at 11:00 a.m., Section 10-52(a)(3) says 9:00 a.m. on Sunday and 10-52(b) says if certain holidays fall on a Sunday and on Superbowl Sunday alcohol sales may begin at 6:00 a.m. He asked it be made uniform. He asked that 10-55(a) read "*Application*. No licensee shall be allowed semi-nude dancing." He asked for clarification of obscene material, literature, etc., in 10-51(g) and a definition of "film" on 10-51(6). He said a request has been made to remove 10-93,(b)(1) and (2) and he thinks it is important to consider the things in those sub-sections and residential component should be in there. Mr. Myer said the 300 feet restriction should not be lowered. He said many have questioned the need for both State and Branson regulations and he feels if the State had the manpower and was doing a good job of enforcing the laws it would not be necessary for more local control and enforcement. Mr. Mark Weisz, 386 Dalton Drive, Branson, Missouri said the reason for bringing up the 100 feet was to allow a church to waive the ability to block if they choose but it is not possible due to a Supreme Court decision. Jimmy Nicholas, 530 Parnell, Branson, Missouri said it is necessary to have a State license to get a City or County license and the State provides a book of State regulations. He inquired why new regulations were not separated from current State regulations and requested those be indicated so they can be identified. Mayor Presley asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Mayor Presley called for a vote on the bill as amended. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall and Bohinc. Nays: McDowell. Motion carried.

**Bill No. 3565**

**Authorizing the expenditure of funds from the City's Tourism Tax Contingency Fund to the Branson Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce.**

First reading of Bill No. 3565, an ordinance authorizing the expenditure of funds from the City's Tourism Tax Contingency Fund to the Branson Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce and authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement was read by title by City Clerk Westfall and the staff report was presented by Alderwoman Williams. Mayor Presley asked for a motion approving the first reading of Bill No. 3565. Alderman Barker moved to approve, seconded by Alderwoman Williams. Mayor Presley then asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Ross Summers, 136 Lakeview Drive, Branson, Missouri said the Chamber appreciates the City's participation and willingness to enhance Ozark Mountain Christmas. He spoke about the public reception and expo to encourage businesses to participate in dressing up their own businesses. He thanked the Board and said he hoped this would be a continuing program. Mayor Presley asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Bill No. 3566**

**Awarding the bid to Springfield Freightliner Sales for the purchase of two dump trucks.**

First reading of Bill No. 3566 an ordinance awarding the bid to Springfield Freightliner Sales for the purchase of two dump trucks for the Public Works Department of the City of Branson and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same was read by title by City Clerk Westfall and the staff report was presented by Larry VanGilder. Mayor Presley asked for a motion approving the first reading of Bill No. 3566. Alderman Barker moved to approve, seconded by Alderman Marshall. Mayor Presley then asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Hearing none, Mayor Presley asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.  
2008-R006**

**Authorizing the Downtown Branson Main Street Association to participate in the Downtown Revitalization Economic Assistance (Dream) Initiative Program.**

A Resolution authorizing the Downtown Branson Main Street Association to participate in the Downtown Revitalization Economic Assistance (Dream) Initiative Program was read by title by City Clerk Westfall, and a staff report was presented by Alderwoman Bohinc. Dawn Erickson, 119 W. Pacific, Branson, Missouri stated a resolution from the Board is needed to complete the application for the Dream Initiative Program which is an 80/20 match for up to \$50,000 over a three year period and \$250,000 in services, advice and programs. Mayor Presley asked for a motion adopting the Resolution. Alderwoman Bohinc moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Alderman Barker. Mayor Presley asked for anyone in the audience wishing to speak regarding this matter. Mark Weisz, 386 Dalton Drive, Branson, Missouri said he was please the city was looking at this again and it is a great program. He stated other cities that have been selected have received a lot of help. Mayor Presley asked for comments from the Board. Discussion. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Resolution No. 2007-R006 was adopted.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Presley made the following appointments to the Park Board:

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Candy Sullinger, re-appointment, for a three-year term expiring June 2011.  
Kent Vanderpool, re-appointment, for a three-year term expiring June 2011.  
Dr. Kenny Garrison, re-appointment, for a three-year term expiring June 2011.  
Dr. Don Hoeck, re-appointment, for a three-year term expiring June 2011.

Mayor Presley asked for a motion approving these appointments. Alderman Marshall moved to approve the appointments, seconded by Alderman Davis. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

## **DISBURSEMENTS:**

Mayor Presley stated the next item was review of disbursements for May 29, 2008 through June 19, 2008 and Request # 116 MI-SS and asked if there were any questions regarding the disbursements. [See Master File for copies of disbursements.] Discussion. Mayor Presley asked for a motion acknowledging the receipt of disbursements. Alderman Davis moved to recognize the disbursements, seconded by Alderwoman Williams. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

## **MAYOR/ALDERMEN/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS**

Alderman Davis thanked the Mayor for the encouragement to better themselves as Aldermen through education and said he is interested in attending the National League of Cities. He said the retreat identified there's a lot yet to do through the visioning of the Board and staff and he hopes time can be spent developing the Board to be more effective. He suggested involving local talent such as John Baltis to share his experience and expertise.

Alderwoman Williams thanked the Mayor for the National League of Cities encouragement. She said Branson is not a little town anymore and feels this will be a help to the Board and she would like to attend. She thanked everyone including City staff for their help with the cleanup of Stockstill Park.

Alderman Marshall said Kudos go out to the Police Department for the apprehension of both robbers. He said the mural downtown is very nice and brings the older buildings to life.

Alderwoman Bohinc wished Alderwoman Williams a happy birthday. She said the Board did not discount listening to everyone regarding the liquor ordinance and there are things yet to be reviewed.

Alderman McDowell thanked everyone who worked on Stockstill Park. He said the planning retreat was very good and it was especially good to become acquainted with Dean Kruithof and he looks forward to working with him.

Dean Kruithof said it is an honor and privilege to be here and he appreciates the time taken to listen to citizens. He thanked everyone for the time put in at the retreat. He said the interaction and candid comments are invaluable as well as setting clear direction for things that will be put into place on issues dealt with on an everyday basis. He reiterated this is not the end, just the very beginning.

Mayor Presley encouraged everyone to put the July 29<sup>th</sup> Work Force Housing Summit at the Presley Theater on their calendars.

# ADJOURN

At this time Mayor Presley asked for a motion to adjourn. Alderman McDowell so moved, seconded by Alderman Marshall. Meeting adjourned at 10:28 p.m. Voting aye: Barker, Davis, Williams, Marshall, Bohinc and McDowell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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Raeanne Presley  
Mayor

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Lisa K Westfall  
City Clerk