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The City Council of the City of Sherwood met for a regular meeting on December 17, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Those present were Mayor Virginia R. Hillman, City Attorney Steve Cobb, City Clerk Angela Nicholson, Aldermen Vassar, Rankin, Fender, Davis, Sulcer, Henry, Brooks and Harmon.

Reverend Roy Thompson, pastor of Friendship Baptist Church, led in prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag.

Alderman Vassar, seconded by Alderman Rankin, made a motion, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on November 26, 2007, as transcribed. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Mayor Hillman announced the resignation of the Advertising & Promotion Director and that Sharon McMinn will be acting as supervisor. The department will be under the direction of Parks and Recreation.

Alderman Sulcer, Chairman Advertising & Promotion Commission, stated they did not meet. She stated the donations for the Trail of Lights at Sherwood Forest have exceeded the amount for this time last year. The 2007 Christmas parade was very successful. The Advertising and Promotion Commission will meet on January 3, 2008, at 3:00 p.m.

Alderman Rankin, Chairman Parks & Recreation Committee, stated they did meet. There was discussion on the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, proposals are out and there will be a proposal opening January 3, 2008.

Alderman Vassar, Chairman Personnel Committee, stated that they plan to meet on Tuesday, December 18, 2007, to create the police officer positions once approved in the budget.

Alderman Fender, Chairman Street Committee, stated they did not meet. Alderman Fender made a motion, seconded by Alderman Sulcer, to table the Storm water Pollution Prevention Code ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance will be sent back to the street committee for further discussion.

Ordinance No. 1760, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A GENERAL FUND DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read for the first time. There was discussion about this being the second reading. City Attorney Steve Cobb advised that it was read one time last month and an amendment was made. There was no reading after the amendment, therefore this will be the first reading. A motion was made by Alderman Vassar, seconded by Alderman Sulcer, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the second time. A motion was made by Alderman Sulcer, seconded by Alderman Harmon, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. A motion was made by Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Vassar, to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous. The emergency clause passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Ordinance No. 1761, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A STREET DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read for the second time. A motion was made by Alderman Vassar, seconded by Alderman Rankin, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third

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and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. A motion was made by Alderman Rankin, seconded by Alderman Henry, to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous. The emergency clause passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Ordinance No. 1763, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF AN ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONS COMMISSION BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read for the second time. A motion was made by Alderman Vassar, seconded by Alderman Sulcer, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. A motion was made by Alderman Brooks, seconded by Alderman Sulcer, to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous. The emergency clause passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Ordinance No. 1763, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A WASTEWATER BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read for the second time. A motion was made by Alderman Sulcer, seconded by Alderman Vassar, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. A motion was made by Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Henry, to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous. The emergency clause passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Alderman Vassar, seconded by Alderman Harmon, to suspend the rules and place the 2007 cleanup ordinance on the agenda. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Ordinance No. 1764, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2007 GENERAL FUND BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 1723 AND THE 2007 STREET FUND BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 1724; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read. A motion was made by Alderman Vassar, seconded by Alderman Rankin, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the second time. A motion was made by Alderman Rankin, seconded by Alderman Sulcer, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. A motion was made by Alderman Davis, seconded by Alderman Vassar, to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous. The emergency clause passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution No. 32-2007, entitled, "A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR MEMS AMBULANCE SERVICE BETWEEN THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, AND THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, TO PROVIDE FOR A 2008 SUBSIDY FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" was read. Mayor Hillman stated this had been discussed a few months ago and this resolution is just to make it official. A motion was made by Alderman Rankin, seconded by Alderman Sulcer, to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Ordinance No. 1765, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, AND VOTERS OF THE COMMUNITY KNOWN AS GRAVEL RIDGE AS DESCRIBED HEREIN THE QUESTION OF

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ANNEXATION TO THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, CERTAIN CONTIGUOUS TERRITORY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” was read. Alderman Rankin stated persons in the community that are willing to volunteer their services for this annexation had approached him. Mayor Hillman stated the City Engineer would oversee the City’s responsibility of the annexation. Mayor Hillman stated that she has had positive feed back from citizens of the Gravel Ridge area. Alderman Vassar stated this would be a great time for Sherwood to move forward on the annexation of Gravel Ridge. Mayor Hillman stated that both areas would benefit from this. Alderman Rankin stated that many have expressed interest in coming into the Sherwood city limits. Mayor Hillman stated that many already think they are in Sherwood because the west side of the highway has a Sherwood zip code. There are several advantages that can be provided to the citizens of Gravel Ridge. Alderman Davis stated 1% less sales tax. Alderman Vassar stated there would be no real estate tax and our sanitation service is excellent. Mayor Hillman stated that the City of Sherwood’s millage rate is the same as Pulaski County. Mayor Hillman stated this proposed ordinance would set an election date of March 11, 2008. A motion was made by Alderman Vassar, seconded by Alderman Davis, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the second time. A motion was made by Alderman Sulcer, seconded by Alderman Rankin, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. A motion was made by Alderman Harmon, seconded by Alderman Rankin, to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous. The emergency clause passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Hillman stated that garbage pickup for the Christmas Holidays would be Monday’s route will be picked up Friday prior, and Tuesday’s route will be on Wednesday. Mayor Hillman recognized the Mayor’s Youth Council. The youth council presented awards to winners of the Prettiest Christmas Lights in Sherwood. Those present from the youth council were Korey Malloy-Advisor, Lance Greene-Mayor, Jordan Pruitt-Vice Mayor, Tristin Walker, Ben Steckling, Shelby Holden, Savannah Lancaster, Erin Williamson, and Sydney Venus. They announced the following winners: Katie & Wesley Dinwiddie, 1307 East Lee, Ed & Joy Pilkington, 6757 Austin Bay Court, and Steve Brigman, 6708 Austin Harbor Loop.

Tom Brooks announced to the council the formation of a committee to raise funds and walk the area for the annexation of Gravel Ridge. He stated that he could find no businesses or persons that desired to be annexed into Jacksonville.

A motion was made by Alderman Vassar to adjourn.

ATTEST:

Angela Nicholson, City Clerk

Virginia R. Hillman, Mayor