

**Searcy City Council – Special Session**  
**May 31, 2016 6:00 p.m.**  
**Minutes**

Mayor David Morris called to order a Special Session of the Searcy City Council. Alderman Don Raney gave the Invocation, with the Pledge of Allegiance following, led by Searcy Assistant Chief of Police Steve Taylor. City Clerk/Treasurer Jerry Morris called the roll with the following Aldermen answering “present”: Logan Cothorn, Mary Ann Arnett, J R Howard, Steve Sterling, Dale English, Don Raney, and Mike Chalenburg. Alderman Dale Brewer and City Attorney Buck Gibson were not present.

Item (3) on the agenda was for the discussion of funding for the construction of the Searcy Municipal Pool Complex. Mayor Morris noted that there had been some discussion regarding the proposed funding for a splash pad located at Yancey Park, as laid out in Resolution 2013-23 (Projection of use of the proposed Searcy sales tax revenue generated from proposed temporary one percent (1.00%) sales tax). He noted some of the issues regarding the Spring Park location as:

- Vandalism that occurs at the park
- Flooding that has occurred at the park
- Inadequate parking facilities at the park

He further stated that it would be his recommendation, as a better usage of tax money, to use this funding for the Yancey Park splash pad as additional funding for the construction of the pool complex. Searcy Parks and Recreation Director Mike Parsons stated that he agreed that it would be a better usage of funding because of these issues. Alderman Raney also agreed that it would be a better usage of funding. Mr. Raney also noted that even with using the Yancey Park splash pad funding for the construction of the pool complex, there would still have to be additional monies found to fund the pool complex construction as proposed. Alderman Sterling noted that he would suggest that any money saved by the decision to do the construction of the football concession/pressbox/restroom facility in-house be used for the pool complex construction. Mayor Morris stated that, from these discussions, it would be his recommendation that he confer with City Attorney Buck Gibson to decide what actions would need to be taken in regard to the additional funding needed for the construction of the pool complex. Mayor Morris further noted that any additional recommendations/action(s) needed would be presented to the Council at the regular June 2016 City Council meeting.

Item (4) was for a review and approval of the bid(s) that were submitted for the construction of the Searcy Municipal Pool Complex. A total of six (6) bids were received for the construction of the pool complex. The base bids were as follows:

1. Delk Construction Company - \$5,280,000.00
2. Flynco, Inc. - \$5,023,000.00
3. Hart Cone Construction - \$5,507,000.00
4. Dayco Construction, Inc. - \$5,125,000.00
5. Hydco, Inc. - \$4,954,000.00
6. Olympus Construction, Inc. - \$5,784,807.00

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A motion was made by Mr. Raney and seconded by Mr. Cothorn to approve and select the bid from Hydco Inc. in the amount of \$4,954,000.00 for the construction of the Searcy Municipal Pool Complex. Motion carried with the following voting “yes”: Arnett, Howard, Sterling, English, Raney, Chalenburg, and Cothorn.

Item (5) was a resolution approving certain contracts and the authorization to execute and perform certain agreements for the construction of the Searcy Municipal Pool Complex, namely an agreement with Hydco, Inc. Clerk/Treasurer Jerry Morris read the resolution in full. A motion was then made by Mr. Cothorn, seconded by Mr. Howard, to adopt the resolution. The resolution passed with the following voting “yes”: Howard, Sterling, English, Raney, Chalenburg, Cothorn, and Arnett. **Resolution 2016-10**

Item (6) on the agenda was a budget ordinance to:

**Section 1.** The budget for the City of Searcy, Arkansas, is amended in the following manner:

- a. Appropriate \$10,000.00 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund unappropriated reserves to ‘TRANSFER TO LOPFI FUND’ expenditure account (#14 5-190-05-04);

**Section 2.** The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to expend the following sums:

- a. \$10,000.00 transfer of funds from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund to LOPFI Fund for the May 2016 LOPFI obligation;

A motion was made by Mr. Raney, seconded by Mr. Chalenburg, to suspend the rules and allow reading of the ordinance by title only. Motion carried with the following voting “yes”: Sterling, English, Raney, Chalenburg, Cothorn, Arnett, and Howard. Mr. Jerry Morris read the ordinance by title only. A motion was then made by Mr. Sterling, seconded by Mr. Howard, to adopt the ordinance. The ordinance passed with the following voting “yes”: English, Raney, Chalenburg, Cothorn, Arnett, Howard, and Sterling. Mr. Jerry Morris then read the emergency clause of the ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Chalenburg, seconded by Mr. Howard, to adopt the emergency clause, with the following voting “yes”: Raney, Chalenburg, Cothorn, Arnett, Howard, Sterling, and English. **Ordinance 2016-17**

Mayor Morris announced:

- The North Main Street bridge over Deener Creek is nearing completion
- Reminder the future pre-council Agenda meetings and the regular City Council meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Minutes Approved: June 14, 2016

/s/ David Morris  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris  
CITY CLERK

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