

CITY OF HEBRON ESTATES

MARCH 2, 2004

**PRESENT:** MAYOR RICKETTS, COMMISSIONERS TUCKER, CLARK, MUIR, CLERK HURST, ATTORNEY EDISON, PIONEER NEWS TOM BARR AND 2 GUESTS.

**MINUTES:** MOTION WAS MADE TO CORRECT THE TITLE FROM FEBRUARY 2 TO FEBRUARY 3 TO APPROVED THE CORRECTED MINUTES AS PRESENTED BY COMM. MUIR AND SECONDED BY COMM. CLARK; MOTION PASSED 3/0.

**BUDGET:** MOTION WAS MADE TO PAY BILLS BY COMM. TUCKER AND SECONDED BY COMM. MUIR; MOTION PASSED 3/0.

**OLD BUSINESS:** MAYOR RICKETTS GAVE AN UPDATE ON WHERE WE STAND ON THE CITY BUILDING. MAYOR RICKETTS STATED THAT WE ARE GETTING CLOSE TO OPENING A BID FOR THE BUILDING. MAYOR RICKETTS STATED THAT HE MAY CALL A SPECIAL MEETING THIS MONTH FOR OPENING BIDS. MAYOR RICKETTS STATED THAT WE MAY WANT TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING JUST TO DISCUSS AND ASK QUESTIONS REGARDING THE BIDS WITH THE BUILDERS.

ATTY EDISON GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE BURKE'S SUIT. HE EXPLAINED THAT THE CITY WON. MR. BURKE FAILED TO APPEAR IN COURT. THE JUDGE HAS PROPOSED THAT MR. BURKE WILL HAVE TO GET A LAWN SERVICE TO CUT HIS GRASS AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH FOR THE NEXT YEAR. ATTY EDISON EXPLAINED THAT HE HAS ANOTHER COURT DATE JUST TO CONFIRM THE JUDGE'S PROPOSAL. COMM. CLARK ASKED WHAT IF HE DOESN'T COMPLY WITH THE RULING? ATTY EDISON STATED THAT MR. BURKE WOULD BE PLACED IN JAIL BECAUSE HE DID NOT COMPLY WITH THE COURT'S ORDER. MAYOR STATED THAT HE IS SUPPOSED TO CUT HIS GRASS DURING THE MONTHS OF MARCH THROUGH APRIL. COMM. CLARK ASKED WHAT IF HIS GRASS GETS TO BE 12 FEET TALL WITHIN 3 WEEKS? ATTY EDISON STATED THAT HE WILL STILL HAVE TO COMPLY WITH THE CITY'S EXISTING ORDINANCE INCLUDING THE CUTTING OF A MINIMUM OF ONCE A MONTH.

COMM. TUCKER ASKED ABOUT THE SIGNS THAT ARE GOING UP? CLERK HURST LED A DISCUSSION ON IF THE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SHOULD TAKE CARE OF THE CITATIONS. MAYOR RICKETTS STATED THAT WE SHOULD SEND A CERTIFIED LETTER TO THE BUSINESSES FIRST AND THEN IF THEY DO NOT COMPLY THEN WE CAN ASK THE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO STEP IN. CLERK HURST STATED THAT SHE WOULD SEND OUT A LETTER TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS.

**NEW BUSINESS:** CLERK HURST STATED THAT WE ARE DOWN TO 13 UNPAID PROPERTY TAXES. CLERK HURST STATED THAT SHE WAS GOING TO WAIT UNTIL NEXT MONTH JUST TO SEE WHERE WE STAND BECAUSE IT WOULD BE CHEAPER FOR THE PAPER ADD.

CLERK HURST LED A DISCUSSION ON WHERE WE STAND WITH OUR ACCOUNTS. CLERK HURST REVIEWED THE STATUS OF EACH ACCOUNT AND EXPLAINED THAT ACCORDING TO ART ( THE CITY'S AUDITOR ) IF WE HAVE TO AMEND THE BUDGET WE WILL HAVE TO DO SO AT LEAST ONE MONTH BEFORE THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR IN ORDER FOR IT TO COUNT. CLERK HURST STATED THAT WE NEED TO BE AWARE THAT WE WILL PROBABLY BE WRITING A CHECK FOR LAST YEAR'S RENT NEXT MONTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4200, WE HAVE HAD SEVERAL BILLS FOR STORM WATER RUN OFF AND THE BURKE'S SUIT THAT WERE NOT PLANNED IN THIS YEAR'S FISCAL BUDGET.

MOTION WAS MADE TO ADJOURN BY COMM. MUIR AND SECONDED COMM. CLARK; PASSED 3/0.

