

There was a special called meeting of the Harrison City Council on **January 1, 2011 at 11:00 am** in the Council Room at City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order, and advised the Council that the purpose of this meeting was for the Council to organize themselves and then look at other City business.

Mayor Crockett then introduced Brother Bob Burnham, and asked him to open the meeting with a prayer.

Mayor Crockett then lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

This being a Special Called meeting, there were no minutes to approve. They will be presented at the next Regularly Scheduled meeting.

The Council then began the process of organizing the Standing Committees. After much discussion Councilman Sherrell made the motion to set Standing Committees as follows:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare

Areas of Emphasis - General Planning, Housing, Cemetery, Parks
Councilmen Assigned – Sherrell, Stephens, Crockett

Finance

Areas of Emphasis – Budget, Disbursements, Pensions, Insurance
Councilmen Assigned – Fitton, Sherrell, Snow

Internal Affairs

Areas of Emphasis – Personnel, Facilities, Technology
Councilmen Assigned – Snow, Stephens, Harrison

Public Safety

Areas of Emphasis – Police, Civil Defense, Fire & Rescue, Animal Control
Councilmen Assigned – Crockett, Savage, Harrison

Public Works & Transportation

Areas of Emphasis – Water, Sewer, Streets, Solid Waste, Code Enforcement, Health Concerns, Planning & Zoning
Councilmen Assigned – Baltimore, Crockett, Snow

Resources & Policy

Areas of Emphasis – Legislation, Ordinances, Grants & Funding
Councilmen Assigned – Savage, Baltimore, Fitton

Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Fitton expressed to the Council that he would like to see the dates and times of the Council meetings changed from the 1st and 3rd Mondays. City Attorney Younes advised that since the current schedule is part of our Municipal Code it would require an ordinance to be prepared and adopted in order to make it permanent. Younes went on to advise the Council that they could vote on the proposal and determine how they wanted to do their meeting and he would prepare an ordinance to be taken up at the next meeting. Councilman Fitton then made a motion to move the Committee and Council meetings to the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The Committees will meet from 6:00 – 7:00, The Council will then convene a Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting at 7:00 directly following the Committee meetings. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Sherrell moved to accept the Planning Commissions recommendation and approve proposed ordinance #1328 by title only:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14.16.16 (ZONING MAP) OF THE
HARRISON MUNICIPAL CODE TO REZONE CERTAIN
LANDS FROM ZONE R-2 TO ZONE C-3, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to suspend the rules and place this ordinance on it's second and third readings by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Savage. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to enact the Emergency Clause. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore made a motion to suspend the rules and allow all proposed ordinances that are to be presented tonight to be read only 1 time by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was:

James Harrison	Y	Joe Crockett	N
Dan Sherrell	N	Johnny Savage	N
Cloyde Baltimore	Y	Wendell Stephens	Y
Dave Fitton	Y	Shannon Snow	Y

Since the motion was suspending the rules a 2/3's vote was required. The motion failed by a vote of 5-3.

Councilman Fitton then made a motion that the Council made a proposed Alcohol ordinance the next item on the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baltimore. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

During discussion of the proposed ordinance Councilman Sherrell requested a couple of changes to the current draft. Councilman Sherrell had a couple of concerns in section 4.40.01(B) and requested that the number of members on the Local ABC Board be changed from 3 to 5 members, and that the Council would have final approval of the policies and procedures established by the Local ABC Board. After some discussion Councilman Savage made a motion to place proposed ordinance #1329 titled

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING
HARRISON CITY CODE TITLE 4.40 TO REGULATE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

On its first reading, by title only, with the 2 changes requested by Councilman Sherrell. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to suspend the rules and place the amended ordinance on its 2nd and 3rd readings by title only. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Sherrell made a motion to suspend the rules and place proposed ordinance #1330 titled

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14 OF THE HARRISON ZONING
CODE, REGULATING THE LOCATION OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES,
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

on its 1st, 2nd, and 3rd readings, by title only. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

The Council then discussed the proposed business license ordinance. After some discussion Councilman Sherrell made a motion to send it back to Resources and Policy for further review. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Special Called Council Meeting

January 13, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a special called meeting of the Harrison City Council on **January 13, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Council Room at City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the minutes from December 6, 2010, December 20, 2010, and January 1, 2011 Council meetings. The motion was seconded by Councilman Crockett. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Mayor Crockett asked the Council if they had any questions for the Department Heads after reviewing their reports in the Council packets. There were no questions, however, Fire Chief Webb did announce to the Council that the city would be hosting an ISO class in February and invited the Councilmen to attend.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No report

Finance Committee:

Councilman Fitton made a motion to move \$12,000 from Fire Department Employee Wages to Acct. #2295. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Internal Affairs: No report

Public Safety: No report

Public Works & Transportation: No report

Resources & Policy:

Councilman Fitton made a motion to hold the next scheduled Council meeting on January 27, 2011 at 7:00 in the Council Chambers. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was:

James Harrison: **Y**; Joe Crockett: **Y**; Dan Sherrell: **N**; Johnny Savage: **N**
Cloyd Baltimore: **Y**; Wendell Stephens: **Y**; Dave Fitton: **Y**; Shannon Snow: **Y**,
Motion carried by 6-2

Mayor Crockett announced that the proposed Business Ordinance was sent back to committee for review.

Councilman Baltimore then asked when the Council would be having the next committee meetings. After some discussion it was determined that the Committee Chairmen would call the Mayor's office and schedule with Christeen Waters when they wish to have a meeting. Christeen would then notify the press and the other members of the upcoming meeting.

Mayor Crockett announced that the proposed Clean Premises Ordinance was sent back to committee for review.

Mayor Crockett asked the Council what their pleasure was concerning the proposed Sign Ordinance. After some discussion it was determined that it would go back to committee for further review.

Old Business:

New Business:

Youth Plaza – Councilman Snow expressed his concern of lack of activities for the youth of our town. He wanted to advise the Council that there was a group actively working on developing some ideas of ways to serve the young people of the area. Councilman Fitton then went on to explain a little more about how the committee was being formed and their proposed time line.

Councilman Fitton then advised the Council about an event coming up called the Harrison Hundred K Challenge.

Ken Bailey then addressed the Council and showed them some plans that are being proposed as an update to the City's Trails System.

Ken Bailey then advised the Council that the Resource Council had been meeting with area industry leaders and researching concerns to their businesses and employees. He advised that there would be an Agency Briefing at the Durand Center on February 17, 2011 at 5:30 pm. He warned the Council that the numbers of low income people in our area is growing and that statistics show that when that number gets too high the community becomes unsustainable.

Public Comments:

Carrie Meyers, Dennis Lott, Rich Shoemberger, and Sam Patton all spoke against the proposed Business License ordinance. The main concern was the charge per employee part of the license. Most of the opinions were that if the license fee was affordable and did not contain a fee "per employee" then the license would be more acceptable.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Special Called Council Meeting

January 27, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a special called meeting of the Harrison City Council on **January 27, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Council Room at City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Revered Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Sherrell made a motion to approve the minutes from January 13, 2011 Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fitton. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Mayor Crockett asked the Council if they had any questions for the Department Heads after reviewing their reports in the Council packets. There were no questions, however, Chief Murphy did announce to the Council that the city currently has a supply of Gun Locks that they are giving to the public, free of charge.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare:

Councilman Sherrell made a motion to approve a \$17,325 payment from the Cemetery Perpetual Care fund to the 20th Century Club to reimburse them for expenses incurred from ice storm maintenance on the City's Cemeteries. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Finance Committee: No Report

Internal Affairs: Councilman Snow announced that his committee would be going over the City's Personnel Handbook in the near future.

Public Safety: No report

Public Works & Transportation: No report

Resources & Policy:

Councilman Sherrell made a motion place a propped ordinance titled:

An Ordinance Establishing a Business License and Associated Fees In
The City of Harrison, and Declaring an Emergency.

On its first reading by title only, with Section 4.01.7 – A #3 amended to add the word County to read City, County or State Taxes or required fees. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to place proposed ordinance #1331 titled:
An Ordinance Replacing Code Section 2.16.03 of the Harrison City Code
For Monthly Council Meetings, and Declaring an Emergency.

To be placed on its first reading by title only. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to suspend the rules and place this ordinance on its second and third readings, by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to enact the Emergency Clause. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. During discussion it was decided that the Council would meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 pm in the Council room at City Hall until further notice. Committees will meet before the Council meetings at 6:00 in the Council room as needed.

Councilman Baltimore asked Connie Gray with Ozark Poster and Advertising to address the Council and explain some changes that she is suggesting in the Zoning section of the City Zoning Code that discusses Signs in the city limits. After her discussion Councilman Baltimore made a motion to place proposed ordinance titled:

An Ordinance Amending the Harrison Zoning Code
Section 14.15 to Establish Comprehensive “Sign” Regulations for the City of Harrison

On its first reading and make the amendments to the Regulations as suggested by Connie Gray. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Fitton made a motion to pass proposed resolution #1078 titled:
A Resolution Requesting Parks Commission to Reconsider
And Approve the Controlled Sale of Beer and Wine at City Festivals

Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was:

James Harrison	No	Joe Crockett	Yes
Dan Sherrell	No	Johnny Savage	No
Cloyd Baltimore	No	Wendell Stephens	Yes
Dave Fitton	Yes	Shannon Snow	Yes

The vote was 4-4. Mayor Crockett cast the deciding vote to approve the resolution.

Councilman Snow made a motion to place proposed Ordinance #1332 titled:
An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1311, Budget for 2010,
Declaring An Emergency, and for Other Purposes

On its first reading by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to suspend the rules and place this ordinance on its second and third readings by title only. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Snow then made a motion to enact

the emergency clause. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then presented the Council with a report addressing the Structure, Roof, and Energy concerns about City Hall and the City's participation in an Energy Grant. It was determined that this needed to be taken to a Committee meeting to be discussed in greater detail.

Mary Jo Johnson then addressed the Council with her concerns about traffic congestion and street crossing issues around our schools and Skyline Elementary specifically.

Dr. Rebecca Simon then addressed the Council concerning a Community Matching Grant Program administered by the State. The purpose of this Grant Program is to assist Physicians willing to take up residency in rural communities. This would be a combined effort between the City, the County and North Arkansas Regional Medical Center. The issue was referred to the Finance Committee for further discussion.

Mayor Crockett then presented the Council with a list of Mayoral Appointments to various City Boards as listed below:

CATPC – Joe Crockett, Dave Fitton (formerly held by Dan Sherrell)

Cemetery Perpetual Care Board – Dan Sherrell

Planning Commission – Cloyd Baltimore (Council Liaison), Bob Dodson

Harrison Alcohol Beverage Control Board – Wendell Stephens (Council Liaison)

Pat Murphy, Jeff Christenson, Dennis King, Lyle Hartjes

Council Baltimore moved to accept the appointments as read. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Special Called Council Meeting

February 2, 2011 – 4:00 pm

There was a special called meeting of the Harrison City Council on **February 2, 2011 at 4:00 pm** in the Council Room at City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Revered Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **A**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and pass proposed ordinance #1333 allowing the City to bypass the bidding process and purchase a new Clarifier for the City Sewer Plant. Councilman Sherrell made a motion to place proposed Ordinance #1333 titled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PURCHASE A NEW CLARIFIER
FOR THE CITY SEWER PLANT WITHOUT REQUIRING BIDS;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

On its first reading by title only. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to suspend the rules and place this ordinance on its second and third readings by title only. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

February 10, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **February 10, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Council Room at City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Revered Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the minutes from January 27, 2011 Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baltimore. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Savage made a motion to approve the minutes from February 2, 2011 Special Called Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fitton. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Mayor Crockett asked the Council if they had any questions for the Department Heads after reviewing their reports in the Council packets. There were no questions, however, Chief Webb did announce to the Council that the city had received a FEMA grant to assist with the purchase of their Turn Out Bunkers. Chief Webb also encouraged the Council to attend an ISO meeting that will be held at the Durand Center at 9:30 on February 15, 2011

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee:

The request from Dr. Simon concerning the request for financial support was discussed. It was determined that the City would not be able to participate at this time.

The Council then discussed hiring Wade Phillips as the new Public Works Director. Councilman Snow made a motion to hire Wade Phillips at a starting annual salary of \$80,000. The salary is to be increased to \$85,000 in six months if Mr. Phillips is able to save the City 10% of last years engineering fees during that time frame. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was 7 Ayes, with Councilman Baltimore voting nay, motion carried.

Dr. Rebecca Simon addressed the Council concerning her previous request and to advised the Council that she was withdrawing her request for the grant. She also expressed to the Council that they consider looking into this grant to help supply physicians to Harrison in the future.

Internal Affairs: No report.

Public Safety: No report

Public Works & Transportation: No report

Resources & Policy:

Councilman Baltimore made a motion to place proposed ordinance titled:

An Ordinance Establishing a Business License and Associated Fees In
The City of Harrison, and Declaring an Emergency.

On it's second reading by title only. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Baltimore made a motion to place proposed ordinance titled:

An Ordinance Establishing a Business License and Associated Fees In
The City of Harrison, and Declaring an Emergency.

On it's third reading by title only. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Baltimore made a motion to adopt proposed ordinance titled:

An Ordinance Establishing a Business License and Associated Fees In
The City of Harrison, and Declaring an Emergency.

Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

The Council then discussed the proposed Sign Ordinance. It was determined that the issue would be returned to committee for further review and recommendations.

Mayors Comments:

Mayor Crockett advised the Council that the City has been instructed that the Energy Grant for City Hall could be spent on other City Buildings, as long as the money is spent on Energy related items. Councilman Snow then called a meeting of the Internal Affairs Committee for February 24, 2011 at 6:00 prior to the Council meeting, to discuss other options that the City might consider.

Mayor Crockett then asked the Council to create a Human Resource position to be filled by Christeen Waters. Councilman Fitton made a motion to create the new position, with an annual salary of \$33,618. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. Councilman Sherrell then made a motion to amend the motion as follows: \$20,000 of the salary be divided out among all the departments since the position will be doing human resource work for the entire city. The remaining \$13,618 is to be paid from Acct. #2-07 Admin. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion to amend. The vote on the amendment was all Ayes, motion carried. The Council then voted on the motion, as amended. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett then presented the Council with a list of Mayoral Appointments to various City Boards as listed below:

Parks & Recreation Commission – Marla Koch (formerly held by Patty Methvin),
Reverend Dr. Chip Andrus (formerly held by Tony Horton)
Planning Commission – Greg Slavik (formerly held by David Evans),
Stacey Foley (formerly held by Randy Raney),
Re-appointment of Mike Norton as Planning Commission Chairman.
Solid Waste Advisory Committee –
Pat Moss (Commercial Client position formerly held by Cloyd Baltimore)

Councilman Snow moved to accept the appointments as read. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

The Council then discussed the City leasing the Airport Fire Station again. After much discussion Councilman Sherrell made a motion to allow the Mayor to sign a lease agreement with the County with the following changes made to the lease:

The requirement for liability insurance is to be removed.

Pg. 2 Sec. E – add “or first responder” to the requirements.

The cost of re-equipping the station will be taken from Infrastructure Funds.

Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Fitton called a meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss the expenses and an operating budget for Fire Station #3. February 24, 2011 at 6:30 prior to the Council meeting.

Councilman Snow informed the Council that there would be a larger than normal crowd at the next meeting. He expressed his concerns with City Hall and the overcrowding of the Council Room. He noted that we were exceeding our occupancy limit, and felt we should make other arrangements when needed. Councilman Snow then made a motion to move the February 24, 2011 meeting to the RSVP building. In the event that the RSVP building was not available, the meeting would be moved to the Burlsworth Youth Center. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then called a meeting of the Resources & Policy Committee to be 5:00 February 24, 2011 prior to the Council meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

February 24, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **February 10, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Brandon Burlsworth Youth Center.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Revered Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Sherrell made a motion to approve the minutes from February 10, 2011 Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baltimore. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Mayor Crockett asked the Council if they had any questions for the Department Heads after reviewing their reports in the Council packets. There were no questions.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee:

Councilman Fitton advised the Council that the Finance Committee recommends to the Council that an amount of up to \$35,000 be appropriated to furnish Fire Station #3.

Councilman Snow made the motion to allow the Fire Department to spend up to \$35,000 to furnish Fire Station #3. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

The Council then discussed where the \$35,000 should come from. It was determined that since Fire Station #3 was part of the Fire Department the funds could come from Infrastructure Funds. The decision was made to go ahead and make the purchases and then decide at a later time if the money had to come from Infrastructure or take it from Reserves.

Internal Affairs: The question was discussed as to how did we want to use the Energy Grant money.

Councilman Snow made a motion that the City look at all City Facilities and determine how to optimize the Federal Energy Grant, not only spend the money on City Hall.

Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was 5-3, with Councilmen Sherrell, Savage, Baltimore voting against the motion. The motion carried.

Public Safety: No report

Public Works & Transportation: No report

Resources & Policy:

The Council then discussed the proposed Sign Ordinance.

Councilman Baltimore made a motion to place the proposed ordinance titled
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HARRISON ZONING CODE SECTION 14.15
TO ESTABLISH COMPREHENSIVE "SIGN" REGULATIONS
FOR THE CITY OF HARRISON

on its second reading. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Connie Gray with Ozark Poster Advertising then addressed the Council and asked them to look into amending the Sign Regulations to allow signs that are "Grandfathered" in to be repaired when needed.

The Council then discussed some changes needed in the current Alcohol Ordinance.

1. A requirement to serve 2 meals per day.
2. To require Off Premises consumption vendors to remit the ½ of 1% of gross sales portion of the license fee to be submitted monthly instead of annually.
3. To create a permit for Festivals.

Old Business:

Tax Swap – Councilman Fitton explained to the audience that the Finance Committee was looking into the ramifications of the city repealing their portions of the property tax millage and replacing it with a 1% sales tax.

New Business:

Ralph Jones with Public Works asked the Council to consider removing the flashing caution light from the intersection of West Stephenson and North Cherry Streets. Councilman Sherrell made a motion to remove the light. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett then presented to the Council a resolution allowing him to sell at public auction equipment and vehicles that the city no longer wanted.

Councilman Snow made a motion to approve proposed resolution #1079 titled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO
SELL SURPLUS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Sherrell then asked the Council if everyone had received their copy of the 2008 and 2009 Legislative Audits. It was determined that the newly elected Councilmen had not received a copy. It was determined that the Clerk would distribute copies to all the Councilmen so that it can be discussed at the March 10, 2011 Council meeting.

Mayors Comments:

Mayor Crockett wanted to thank the Harrison Regional Chamber of Commerce Leadership class for attending the meeting.

Mark Stephen Fowler then addressed the Council concerned that the Council was conducting business through the email. It was explained that all emails were archived and accessible to anyone that requested it by Councilman Snow. Councilman Snow also advised that James White with the Harrison Daily Times was copied in on all emails.

Mandy Hoffman then addressed the Council with her request for the City to pass an ordinance against smoking in the City Parks. Director Phillips stated that he would check into the signs that had been placed in the parks and make sure they were still there. Ms. Hoffman then requested the Resources and Policy Committee look into the possibility of adopting an ordinance against smoking in the parks.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

March 10, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **March 10, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Council Room of City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Reverend Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

An error was found in the February 10, 2011 minutes that had been approved at an earlier meeting. Reverend Dr. Chip Andrus was appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission, the minutes reflected Dave Fitton. Councilman Sherrell made a motion to amend the minutes from February 10, 2011 Council meeting to reflect the appointment of Andrus. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baltimore. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Snow then made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2011 Council meeting. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Finance Director Ragland then addressed the Council. Ragland explained the 2008 and 2009 Legislative Audits that had been presented to the Councilmen. Ragland explained the steps that the City had implemented to address the concerns pointed out in the audits.

The Council was also made aware of a legal issue that City Attorney Younes was investigating concerning the States objection to the Cemetery Perpetual Care Board investing money in the market as the other retirement boards are allowed to do. An opinion from the Attorney General's office was requested. It was pointed out that if the Perpetual Care Board was required to change their investment portfolio to match the States guidelines the fund will not have the necessary income to pay for the upkeep of the City's cemeteries.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee: No Report

Internal Affairs: No Report

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works & Transportation: No Report

Resources & Policy: No Report

Old Business:

New Business:

Mayors Comments:

Mayor Crocket presented the Council and Citizens with the State of the City Address.

Mayor Crocket then announced the hiring of Kathryn Yeager as Waste Water Superintendent. Councilman Fitton made a motion to accept her appointment. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Sherrell made a motion to accept the Energy Grant for City Hall as previously presented to the Council. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. During discussion Councilman Baltimore moved to amend the motion to state that the City would agree to spend enough money to complete the project if it exceeded cost estimates. The motion to amend failed due to lack of a second. The vote on the original motion was 4-4 with Councilmen Crockett, Stephens, Fitton, and Snow voting against the motion. The motion failed.

Councilman Fitton then made a motion allowing the Mayor to Communicate with the Energy Grant administrator and see if part of the grant could be applied to City Hall to apply towards lighting. Councilman Sherrell seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Fitton then advised the Council on the responses on from the Survey that he had placed online as to the General Feeling of the community and areas of interest that they would like the City to proceed with if money was available.

Rusty Dees, with Rooster's Barbeque then asked to address the Council with his concerns of the economy in Harrison and some suggestions that he felt might be of help.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

March 24, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **March 24, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Council Room of City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **A**; Johnny Savage: **A**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Reverend Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Fitton made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2011 Council meeting. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Councilman Harrison asked for an update on the progress of Fire Station #3. Mayor Crockett advised that the lease was currently being reviewed by the attorneys and that he hoped to get it back sometime before the next meeting.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee: Councilman Fitton advised the Council that his committee was meeting every other Thursday that there was not a Council meeting discussing and working out details on a possible Property Tax / Sales Tax Swap. Nothing else to report at this time.

Internal Affairs: No Report

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works & Transportation: No Report

Resources & Policy:

Councilman Baltimore reported that prior to the Council meeting there was a Public meeting held by the Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District. The purpose of the public hearing was to receive input from the public on economic concerns in our area. This public hearing was part of an application process that Pace Industries is currently involved in. As part of the application process the City of Harrison was asked to review and adopt 5 Resolutions in support of the Pace grant.

Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to approve Resolutions #1080 - #1084 with one single vote. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stephens. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to place proposed ordinance #1335 titled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4.40.07
DEALING WITH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES**

on its first reading, by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to suspend the rules and place this ordinance on its second and third readings, by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Crockett then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Crockett then moved to enact the Emergency Clause. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore made a motion to place proposed ordinance #1334 titled:

**"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HARRISON ZONING
CODE SECTION 14.15 TO ESTABLISH COMPREHENSIVE
"SIGN" REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF HARRISON;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY"**

on its third and final reading, by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Snow then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Baltimore then moved to enact the Emergency Clause. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Stephens made a motion to place proposed ordinance titled:

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING SMOKING
AND THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN PARKS
AND RECREATIONAL AREAS IN THE CITY OF HARRISON;**

on its first reading by title only. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The Council then began discussing the issue. Councilman Stephens then made a motion to amend his original motion to "Include All City Properties". Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote on the amendment was:

James Harrison.....	No	Joe Crockett.....	No
Dan Sherrell.....	Absent	Johnny Savage	Absent
Cloyd Baltimore	Yes	Wendell Stephens.....	Yes
Dave Fitton	No	Shannon Snow.....	Yes
Total Votes3-Yes; 3-No – Motion to Amend Failed			

The Council then voted on the original motion:

James Harrison.....	No	Joe Crockett.....	No
Dan Sherrell.....	Absent	Johnny Savage	Absent
Cloyd Baltimore	Yes	Wendell Stephens.....	Yes
Dave Fitton	No	Shannon Snow.....	Yes
Total Votes3-Yes; 3-No – Motion Failed			

New Business:

Mayor Crockett then introduced the offer from the Arkansas Hwy Department to give Main Street back to the City from Central Avenue to Industrial Park Road. The benefit to doing this would be to implement the Road Diet and reduce Main Street from Central Ave. to North Spruce to a 2 lane highway with a middle turn lane. Mayor Crockett then introduced Layne Wheeler Ragsdale from the CORE Group who presented a power point explanation of the Road Diet and the benefits that it would produce.

After much discussion Councilman Crockett made a motion to place proposed ordinance #1336 titled:

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING MAINTENANCE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR A PORTION OF ARKANSAS STATE
HWY. 65 (BUSINESS); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

on its first reading, by title only. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Fitton then made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second and third readings, by title only. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Crockett then made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Crockett then moved to enact the Emergency Clause. Councilman Harrison seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Ordinance #1336 was adopted.

Mayors Comments:

Councilman Baltimore then gave a report on the City’s request to make some changes in the proposed Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant. He advised that there would be a conference call the following Monday to finalize all the details.

Mayor Crockett then announced the appointment of Marc Lowery as Fire Chief. Councilman Fitton made a motion to accept the appointment. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all Ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Snow then advised the Council that the First United Methodist Church congregation would like to volunteer some painting services if the City would provide the paint. They would like to paint over graffiti that has been painted under the bridges around the park.

A concerned citizen addressed the Council to express her concerns about a sign that was placed at the Skate Park. Mayor Crockett advised her that this would be a Parks and Rec. issue and that she would need to address the Parks and Rec. Commission at their meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

April 4, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a Special Called Meeting of the Harrison City Council on **April 4, 2011 at 6:30 pm** in the Brandon Burlsworth Youth Center. The meeting was requested by Councilmen Crockett, Sherrell, and Savage.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Councilman Snow opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business:

The purpose of the meeting was to further discuss the City's decision to take back a portion of Hwy 65 Business, and to get public input.

Layne Ragsdale began the discussion with an explanation of the idea of the Proposed Road diet as earlier presented by the CORE group. Police Chief Murphy, and Director of Public Works, Wade Phillips then gave their thoughts on the proposal and the impact on Harrison traffic, and safety. Mayor Crockett then read a letter from Fire Chief Lowery, who was unable to attend the meeting. Councilman Sherrell then asked some questions of the CORE group and the department heads. Mayor Crockett then allowed everyone who had requested to speak up to 3 minutes each to address their concerns to the Council. There were approximately 30 citizens that spoke on both sides of the issue.

After much discussion Councilman Savage made a motion to Repeal Ordinance #1336 titled:

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING MAINTENANCE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR A PORTION OF ARKANSAS STATE
HWY. 65 (BUSINESS); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Councilman Sherrell seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison.....	Yes	Joe Crockett.....	No
Dan Sherrell.....	Yes	Johnny Savage	Yes
Cloyd Baltimore	No	Wendell Stephens.....	No
Dave Fitton	No	Shannon Snow.....	No
Total Votes: 3-Yes; 5-No – Motion Failed			

In other business the Council discussed other area options for meeting facilities to hold the Council meetings in. There was concern that the Council Room at City Hall was too small, and the crowds were exceeding the occupancy limit for the room. After some discussion Councilman Stephens made a motion to hold the April 14, 2011 meeting at

the Community First Bank Community Room located in their Operations Building on Goblin Drive. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

April 14, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **April 14, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Community Room of the Community First Bank Operations Building located on Goblin Drive.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **A**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Reverend Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 24, 2011 Council meeting, and the April 4, 2011 Special Called Council meeting. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was 6 Ayes, with Councilman Sherrell voting Present, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to amend the February 10, 2011 minutes to reflect that Pat Moss who was appointed to the City Solid Waste Advisory Committee was appointed to be the Residential Representative. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Councilman Baltimore asked about the water usage showing on the monthly finance reports. It was pointed out that while Alpena's water usage is showing a decline. Overall, the volume was up. Mayor Crockett then advised the Council that the City was in the process of checking the commercial meters and were making plans to change ond of them.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee: Councilman Fitton advised the Council that he would address their topics under new business.

Internal Affairs: No Report

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works & Transportation: No Report

Resources & Policy: No Report

New Business: Mayor Crockett presented a proposed change in the City's Police Car Take Home Policy. He proposed that the City allow all police officers that live within a 5 mile radius of City Hall to take their car home for free. The City would then charge any officer \$20 per month for each additional mile radius above the established 5 miles. After quite a bit of discussion Councilman Sherrell moved to table the issue until it could be discussed in Committee. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote to table was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Fitton presented a proposal to the Council for the City to create a Grant Writer position for the City. This would be a full time position with the City. After discussion Councilman Fitton made a motion to give the Mayor the authority to research and hire a grant writer with the Council to have the final approval of the Salary. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Susan Timbrook then addressed the Council and explained to them that Harrison would be hosting the Master Gardener State Conference June 2-4, 2011. Timbrook explained that they are expecting around 550 people and that they would need some assistance from the City on closing streets, traffic, etc.

Councilman Snow asked for an update on the status of the Caboose. Mayor Crockett advised that the Caboose is owned by the Boone County Historical Society. He went on to report that the Society has no money to repair the Caboose, they do not wish to rent the Caboose out, and really don't have the funds to do anything with it. The Mayor advised that the City has boarded up the Caboose and locked it in order to keep vandalism away. The Council requested Mayor Crockett to talk with the Historical Society and try to work out a plan.

The Council then addressed meeting locations for the Council. After some discussion it was the consensus of the Council to leave the meeting locations up to the Mayors discretion.

The Council also requested that in the future that a Roll Call voting procedure be established to rotate the voting order.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

April 18, 2011 – 6:00 pm

Mayor Crockett called a Special Meeting of the Harrison City Council on **April 18, 2011 at 6:00 pm** in the Council Room at City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Councilman Snow opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the condition of the Hoops & Homeruns Building and the possibility of condemning the structure.

City Attorney Van Younes explained the legal procedure to the Council. After much discussion Councilman Snow made a motion to Authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to proceed with Condemnation and Demolition procedures on the property. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

April 28, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **April 28, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Community Room of the Community First Bank Operations Building located on Goblin Drive.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **A**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Reverend Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Stephens made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2011 Council meeting, and the April 18, 2011 Special Called Council meeting. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Chief Murphy addressed the Council and reported that the Harrison Police Department would be taking part in the area wide Operation Pill Bottle, and would be collecting old medications and disposing of them for the public.

Wade Phillips, Director of Public Works, gave the Council a brief report of his departments activities concerning the flash flooding throughout areas of Harrison during the recent rain storms.

Finance Director Ragland presented a copies to the Councilmen and explained the March Financials. Ragland then answered questions about income and expenses from the Council.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee: No Report

Internal Affairs: No Report

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works & Transportation: No Report

Resources & Policy:

Director of Public Works Phillips addressed the Council and explained some changes that he is suggesting in the priority of some of the unfinished infrastructure projects. After much discussion Councilman Snow made a motion to approve Proposed Resolution #1085 titled:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HARRISON, ARKANSAS,
AUTHORIZING ADDITIONS TO THE YEAR 2011 BUDGET FOR
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.**

Councilman Fitton seconded the motion.

The vote on the resolution was:

James Harrison.....	Yes	Joe Crockett.....	Yes
Dan Sherrell.....	No	Johnny Savage	No
Cloyd Baltimore	Absent	Wendell Stephens.....	Yes
Dave Fitton	Yes	Shannon Snow.....	Yes
Total Votes 5-Yes; 2-No; 1-Absent – Motion Passed			

New Business:

Mayor Crockett then addressed the Council concerning holding a City Wide Special Election for “Liquor by the Drink” and “Sunday Sales of Alcohol”. The Councilmen asked questions about the process. Mayor Crockett and City Attorney Younes explained the process and asked the Council if it was their pleasure to have the paperwork drawn up in order to be voted on at the next Council meeting. It was noted that the Special Election could be utilized to address several topics at once. It was decided to discuss this further in Committee on May 12th.

Mayor Crockett presented a proposed change in the City’s Police Car Take Home Policy. He proposed that the City allow all police officers that live within a 5 mile radius of City Hall to take their car home for free. The City would then charge any officer \$20 per month for each additional mile radius above the established 5 miles. Per the Public Safety Committee’s recommendation Councilman Savage moved to accept the new policy. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Sherrell then addressed the Council concerning the meeting schedule for the Council. After some discussion Councilman Sherrell made a motion to establish the Second Thursday of each month to be Committee Meetings, and the Fourth Thursday of each month to be the Regularly Scheduled Council Meetings. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

The Mayor then advised the Council that the Arkansas Municipal League had delivered a new updated Municipal Code book. However, the Mayor noted that he had noticed a few things that needed to be fixed. He suggested that we take care of the fixes prior to adopting the new Code book.

The Council then discussed the process and possibility of changing the City Council positions to 4 yr. Staggered Terms.

The Mayor advised the Council that the Chamber of Commerce had requested that the City consider providing overnight Security for Crawdad Days. Chief Murphy advised that

the city be very careful when deciding these issues as the added overtime puts additional strain on the police budget.

Elaine Peterson with Health Harvest addressed the Council and the public asking that the community consider planting gardens and donating the produce to Share and Care and area Charities. The benefit would provide needed food and encourage people to be more active and eat healthier foods.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

May 12, 2011 – 6:00 pm

Mayor Crockett called a Special Meeting of the Harrison City Council on **May 12, 2011 at 6:00 pm** in the Council Room at City Hall.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Reverend Dr. Chip Andrus opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss proposed Resolution #1086 titled:

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to
Enter into Contract with the National
Park Service to Deliver Horse Manure.

After some discussion Councilman Snow made a motion to accept Resolution #1086 and the Memorandum of Understanding between the Park Service and the City of Harrison. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

May 26, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **May 26, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Community Room of the Community First Bank Operations Building located on Goblin Drive.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **A**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **A**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Councilman Snow opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 28, 2011 Council meeting, and the May 12, 2011 Special Called Council meeting. Councilman Harrison seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Chief Murphy reported that the Police & Kids Summer Camp would be held again this year.

Finance Director Ragland presented the April Financials to the Councilmen and answered questions from the Council.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee: No Report

Internal Affairs: No Report

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works & Transportation: No Report

Resources & Policy: No Report

New Business:

Mayor Crockett presented proposed Resolution #1087 titled:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE HARRISON
CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR
TO EMPLOY A CITY “GRANT WRITER”**

After some discussion Councilman Stephens moved to approve the resolution. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett presented proposed Resolution #1088 titled:

**A RESOLUTION BY THE HARRISON CITY
COUNCIL APPROVING/ACCEPTING STATE
MAINTENANCE OF AIRPORT ROAD**

After some discussion Councilman Baltimore moved to approve the resolution. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

The Mayor then advised the Council that the State of Arkansas Martin Luther King Association was working on some programs that the City may wish to take part in. The Mayor advised that he should have more information in the July meeting.

Mayor Crockett then presented proposed Ordinance #1038 titled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE
CITY BUSINESS LICENSE
CODE SECTIONS 4.01.05 AND 4.01.06**

After brief discussion Councilman Baltimore moved to place the ordinance on its first reading by title only. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Snow then made a motion to place the ordinance on its second and third readings, by title only. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

The Council then discussed a proposed ordinance to prohibit the roadside sale of animals. The Mayor advised the Council that the Ozark Humane Society had requested that the Council consider this ordinance. There was some public comments for and against this ordinance. After some discussion Councilman Sherrell moved to table this ordinance and take it up at Committee meetings. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett then presented a proposed ordinance titled:

**“AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING
TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF HARRISON, ARKANSAS,
THE OPTION OF ELECTING ALDERMEN TO
STAGGERED FOUR YEAR TERMS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”**

After much discussion Councilman Stephens moved to place the ordinance on its first reading. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett then advised the Council that there were several changes needed in the City's Alcohol ordinance. He suggested that it be discussed further in Committee meetings in June.

Mayor Crockett announced that Parks and Rec Commissioner Matt Miller had moved outside of Harrison city limits. This requires him to resign from the Parks and Rec Commission. Mayor Crockett announced that he wished to appoint Russ Wynn to fill the remaining term for Matt Miller. Councilman Snow moved to approve the appointment. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett advised the Council that petitions would be going out soon to the public requesting that Sunday Liquor Sales and Selling Liquor by the Drink be placed on a special election. The Mayor reported that it would require a little over 900 signatures on the petitions. He didn't feel that would take very long and that we could hold a special election and could incorporate the alcohol issues and the staggered term council issues on the same ballot and save some of the expense of having more than one special election.

Mayor Crockett advised the Council that the city has a current ordinance in place that regulates the sale of produce in Harrison. He announced that there had been some question about people selling produce on the side of the streets. This was in violation to our code and wanted the Council's opinion on how they wished to address the issue. After much discussion Councilman Sherrell moved to repeal Ordinance #601. Councilman Harrison seconded the motion. After further discussion Councilman Sherrell and Harrison decided to withdraw their motions and it was moved back to Committee for further discussion. Clyde Benson spoke in favor of allowing people to continue to sell in the area.

Shannon Corrigan arrived at the meeting late and was allowed to speak in favor of the proposed ordinance banning the roadside sale of animals.

Mayor Crockett expressed to the Council that the City was receiving quite a few phone calls expressing the desire for a City Wide Clean Up. The Mayor advised the Council that there were no funds in the current budget for to pay for a Clean Up. Public Works Director Wade Phillips explained a few options to the Council and gave some estimates of the costs to do a Clean Up. After some discussion Councilman Crockett made a motion to refer the issue back to Finance Committee for further discussion. Councilman Sherrell seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett explained to the Council that the City has been aggressively pursuing Clean Premises complaints. Mayor Crockett advised the Council that we currently do not have a line item in the budget to cover the expenses that the City incurs taking care of these properties. The Mayor presented the Council with some expenses that the City

has already incurred. After some discussion Councilman Baltimore made a motion to place \$10,000 in account #02-18-2210 to cover the expense of the Clean Up. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett asked Police Chief Murphy to address a request that had been made to regulate the towing companies here in city limits. It was Chief Murphy's opinion that there was already ample regulations being placed on these companies and that no further action should be taken.

Jo McEntire addressed the Council concerning the Arkansas Safe Routes to School Program and their activities to develop some local programs and the need to get some grants for planning and education. McEntire presented the City with a proposed resolution stating the City's support of this program. After some discussion Councilman Snow made a motion to pass resolution titled:

**City of Harrison Resolution in Support of
Arkansas Safe Routes to School Program**

Councilman Harrison seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett and City Attorney Younes then updated the Council on the progress being made on the Hoops and Homeruns Condemnation process.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

June 23, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **June 23, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Community Room of the Community First Bank Operations Building located on Goblin Drive.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **A**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **A**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Councilman Snow opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Baltimore made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 26, 2011 Council meeting. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

No Reports

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee: No Report

Internal Affairs: No Report

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works & Transportation: No Report

Resources & Policy:

Councilman Baltimore introduced proposed ordinance #1039 titled

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ALL
CITY CODES TO INCREASE MAXIMUM
FINES; AND DECLARING AND EMERGENCY**

Attorney Younes addressed the issue and explained the need to the Council. After some discussion Councilman Snow moved to place the ordinance on its first reading, by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second and third readings by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was:

James Harrison..... Yes Joe Crockett.....Yes

Dan Sherrell..... No	Johnny Savage No
Cloyd Baltimore Yes	Wendell Stephens.....Yes
Dave Fitton Yes	Shannon Snow.....Yes

Total Votes 6-Yes; 2-No – Motion Passed

Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Stephens Seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison..... Yes	Joe Crockett.....Yes
Dan Sherrell..... No	Johnny Savage No
Cloyd Baltimore Yes	Wendell Stephens.....Yes
Dave Fitton Yes	Shannon Snow.....Yes

Total Votes 6-Yes; 2-No – Motion Passed

Councilman Stephens then moved to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison..... No	Joe Crockett.....Yes
Dan Sherrell..... No	Johnny Savage No
Cloyd Baltimore Yes	Wendell Stephens.....Yes
Dave Fitton Yes	Shannon Snow.....Yes

Total Votes 5-Yes; 3-No – Motion Passed

The Council then discussed the regulation of the sale of produce along the City Roadside. After some discussion Councilman Snow made a motion to place proposed ordinance #1040 titled:

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING
ORDINANCE NO. 601 (CODE SECTION 4.32.01, .02, .03)
WHICH RESTRICTS THE SALE OF PRODUCE;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

On its first reading by title only. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, with Councilman Harrison voting no. Councilman Baltimore then moved to place the ordinance on its 2nd and 3rd reading by title only.

The vote was:

James Harrison..... No	Joe Crockett.....Yes
Dan Sherrell..... No	Johnny SavageYes
Cloyd Baltimore Yes	Wendell Stephens.....Yes
Dave Fitton Yes	Shannon Snow.....Yes

Total Votes 6-Yes; 2-No – Motion Passed

Councilman Snow then made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Stephens Seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison..... No	Joe Crockett.....Yes
Dan Sherrell..... No	Johnny SavageYes
Cloyd Baltimore Yes	Wendell Stephens.....Yes
Dave Fitton Yes	Shannon Snow.....Yes

Total Votes 6-Yes; 2-No – Motion Passed

Councilman Stephens then moved to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison..... No	Joe Crockett.....Yes
Dan Sherrell..... No	Johnny SavageYes
Cloyd Baltimore Yes	Wendell Stephens.....Yes
Dave Fitton Yes	Shannon Snow.....Yes
Total Votes 6-Yes; 2-No – Motion Passed	

Councilman Baltimore then addressed public concerns that have been brought to the attention of the Council concerning the Roadside Sale of Animals. Shannon Corrigan with the Ozark Humane Society addressed their concerns to the Council. After much discussion Councilman Sherrell made a motion to place proposed ordinance #1041 titled:

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 6.04 of the Code of Ordinances so as to Prohibit The Roadside Sale Of Animals.

On its first reading by title only. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. After further discussion Councilman Snow made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second and third readings by title only. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, with Councilman Sherrell voting no, motion carried. Councilman Snow then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was 7 ayes with Councilman Sherrell voting no. Councilman Snow then moved to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, with Councilman Sherrell voting no. Motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then presented proposed ordinance #1042 titled:

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING SMOKING AND THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN THE LAKE HARRISON PARK; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

After some discussion Councilman Baltimore moved to place this ordinance on its first reading by title only. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Stephens then moved to suspend the rules and place this ordinance on its second and third readings by title only. The vote was 7 ayes, with Councilman Sherrell voting no, motion carried. Councilman Baltimore then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison..... No	Joe Crockett.....Yes
Dan Sherrell..... No	Johnny SavageYes
Cloyd Baltimore Yes	Wendell Stephens.....Yes
Dave Fitton No	Shannon Snow.....Yes
Total Votes 5-Yes; 3-No – Motion Passed	

Councilman Baltimore then asked the Council for their thoughts on the proposed ordinance titled:

“AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF HARRISON, ARKANSAS, THE OPTION OF ELECTING ALDERMEN TO STAGGERED FOUR YEAR TERMS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

Councilman Stephens moved to place this proposed ordinance on its second reading, by title only. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then presented the Council with an ordinance that Amended the City’s alcohol ordinance. Councilman Sherrell moved to place the proposed ordinance #1043 titled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 4.40.04 AND CITY CODE SECTION 4.40.07 AND SETTING FEES FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES LICENSES

On its first reading, by title only. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to suspend the rules and place this ordinance on its second and third readings, by title only. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Sherrell then moved to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

The Mayor asked Finance Director Ragland to explain to the Council the proposed 1% City sales tax and upcoming needs that are facing the City.

After some discussion and input from the public that was present at the meeting, Councilman Fitton moved to place proposed ordinance titled:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A ONE PERCENT (1.0%) SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE CITY OF HARRISON, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPROVEMENTS TO FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS, STREET AND SEWER DEPARTMENTS, TRAILS AND PARKS, REPLENISHING SURPLUS AND GENERAL FUND; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On its first reading, by title only. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. After further discussion Councilman Sherrell requested that the ordinance be read in its entirety. Councilman Fitton and Snow agreed to amend their motions and have the ordinance read in its entirety.

The vote was:

James Harrison.....	Yes	Joe Crockett.....	No
Dan Sherrell.....	No	Johnny Savage	No
Cloyd Baltimore	Yes	Wendell Stephens.....	Yes
Dave Fitton	Yes	Shannon Snow.....	Yes
Total Votes 5-Yes; 3-No – Motion Passed			

Councilman Fitton then moved to place proposed ordinance titled:

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HARRISON, ARKANSAS ON THE QUESTION OF LEVYING A

**ONE PERCENT (1.0 %) SALES AND USE TAX,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

On its first reading. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, with Councilman Crockett voting no, motion carried.

Councilman Fitton then moved to place proposed ordinance titled:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT
OF THE MONTHLY RESIDENTIAL TRASH
SERVICE FEE FOR HARRISON RESIDENTS FROM
GENERAL FUND REVENUES. (Beginning January 1, 2012)**

On its first reading, by title only. Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, with Councilman Crockett voting no, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett then announced to the Council that he has appointed Deborah Jones to the Harrison Parks and Recreation Commission to fill the remaining term of Reverend Chip Andrus who has moved to New York. Councilman Baltimore moved to approve the appointment. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett then announced to the Council that the CATPC has asked the Mayor to appoint Steve Turner to the City Advertising Tourism and Promotion Commission. Councilman Fitton moved to approve the appointment. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Director of Public Works Phillips then addressed the Council concerning a City Wide Clean Up. It was Director Phillips recommendation that the City simply continue this year to partner with the County in their clean up that will be held in October. The Council can then take their time and budget what they want for next year.

Councilman Sherrell then asked for an update on the progress of the City's Business license. The Mayor advised that to date we had 235 businesses that had already applied and that a letter had gone out notifying all the commercial water meter customers that they needed to apply.

Councilman Sherrell then asked how the progress was proceeding with the Alcohol petitions. The Mayor advised that the petitions were out and that more signatures were needed.

Dwayne Generough with Oak Lane Baptist Church asked to speak in opposition to churches needing to register for a business license. Mr. Generough passed out a suggested change to the Business License Ordinance that they would like the Council to consider.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

July 20, 2011 – 6:00 pm

Mayor Crockett called a Special Meeting of the Harrison City Council on **July 20, 2011 at 6:00 pm** at the UNFI property.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **A**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Councilman Snow opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the possible purchase of the UNFI property.

Jeff Pratt addressed the Council and explained the process of purchasing the property and the offers that have gone back and forth. Pratt then explained a couple of financing options, then Finance Director Ragland addressed the Council. Ragland explained that the City would not have the finances to purchase the property and take over the City's trash service as earlier talked about, without the passage of the 1¢ City Sales Tax. After additional discussion the Council took a tour of the facility. Following the tour the Council decided to think over the proposal.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

July 28, 2011 – 6:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **July 28, 2011 at 6:00 pm** in the Community Room of the Community First Bank Operations Building located on Goblin Drive.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Reverend Patricia Parks opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Sherrell made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 23, 2011 Council meeting and the July 20, 2011 Special Called Council meeting. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

No Reports

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee: It was requested that the Council clarify an earlier motion concerning the funding for the Human Resource salary. Councilman Sherrell made a Motion to split Human Resource cost among Funds and Departments as follows:

1. A base amount of \$13,618 and related benefits will continue to be paid from General Fund, Admin.
2. The remaining \$20,000 and related benefits will be distributed to the Water and Sewer Fund, General Fund, and Street Fund departments, based on budgeted headcounts in each department at the beginning of the year.

Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Internal Affairs: No Report

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works & Transportation: Councilman Crockett advised the Council that his committee had decided to present to the Council for their consideration the City of Harrison establishing a Solid Waste Service. Councilman Baltimore made a motion to allow the Mayor to begin collecting additional data and to proceed with further due diligence to provide the Council with solid costs and projections for the establishment of

a Solid Waste Service to take over after the end of the current Methvin Sanitation contract. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harrison.

The vote was:

James Harrison.....	Yes	Joe Crockett.....	Yes
Dan Sherrell.....	No	Johnny Savage	No
Cloyd Baltimore	Yes	Wendell Stephens.....	Yes
Dave Fitton	Yes	Shannon Snow.....	No
Total Votes - 5-Yes; 3-No – Motion Passed			

Resources & Policy:

Councilman Snow made a motion to relocate the Harrison Pound animals to the Ozark Humane Society, and to cease the use of our current pound facility. With the approval of 4500.00 for facility improvements at Ozark Humane Society to help house the animals, and a \$50.00 fee per animal. All of the above to come out of GL #213-2270. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then made a motion to place proposed ordinance titled:

**AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION
FOR THE QUESTON OF LEVYING A
ONE PERCENT (1.0%) SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN
THE CITY OF HARRISON, ARKANSAS
PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING
THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

On its second reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fitton.

The vote was:

James Harrison.....	Yes	Joe Crockett.....	No
Dan Sherrell.....	No	Johnny Savage	No
Cloyd Baltimore	No	Wendell Stephens.....	No
Dave Fitton	Yes	Shannon Snow.....	Yes
Total Votes - 3-Yes; 5-No – Motion Failed			

Councilman Baltimore then presented the Council with an amendment to the City’s Business License. The purpose of the amendment was to exempt Churches from having to participate in any way with the City’s business license. Councilman Snow made a motion to place proposed ordinance titled

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
ORDINANCE NO. 1337 (CITY CODE 4.01.04)
TO EXEMPT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS
FROM BUSINESS LICENSE FILING**

On its first reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baltimore. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then presented the Council with 2 grant resolutions from the State of Arkansas concerning traffic signals on Main Street. Councilman Baltimore made a motion to approve both resolutions titled:

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF HARRISON TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID MONIES FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

***Installation of Traffic Control System;
And Traffic Signal Rehabilitation at:
Highway 7 (Central Ave.) and Main St.
Stephenson Ave. and North Main St.
Rush Ave. and North Main St.***

And

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF HARRISON, BOONE COUNTY TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID MONIES FOR THE FOLLOWING CITY PROJECT:

***Rehabilitation of Traffic Signal
North Main Street at Bower Ave.***

The motion was seconded by Councilman Crockett. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then presented the Council with a proposed Drug Free Workforce ordinance that was suggested by the Arkansas Municipal League. Councilman Crockett moved to forward the proposed ordinance to the Internal Affairs committee for their review. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Ken Bailey presented the Council with a Walkability Study that was completed by North Arkansas Partnership for Health Education, and asked the Councilmen to look it over in their spare time. Bailey also asked the Council to support a resolution that was presented during the last committee meetings establishing the Mayor's Council on Trails. Councilman Baltimore made a motion that the Council approve resolution titled

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HARRISON, ARKANSAS
ESTABLISHING THE MAYOR'S COUNCIL ON TRAILS
INTRODUCED BY HEALTHY KIDS HEALTHY OZARKS**

Councilman Snow seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then moved that the Council approve proposed resolution titled:

**A RESOLUTION BY THE HARRISON CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE
HARRISON HOUSING AGENCY TO ASSIST
PERSONS IN SHARED HOUSING**

Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Stephens then moved to approve proposed resolution titled:

**A RESOLUTION BY THE HARRISON CITY COUNCIL
APPROVING THE HARRISON HOUSING
AGENCY'S OUTSTANDING CHECK POLICY**

Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Savage made a motion to approve proposed resolution titled:

A RESOLUTION CREATING A HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF HARRISON, ARKANSAS AND ESTABLISHING THE PURPOSE, COMPOSITION, POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES THEREOF

Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Police Chief Murphy advised the Council that the current Animal Control Officer vehicle was out of commission and after getting the estimate for repairs and the age of the vehicle Murphy requested to replace the vehicle with a Ford Ranger. Councilman Baltimore made a motion to allow Chief Murphy to spend up to \$21,000 to purchase a new truck and equip it. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

The Council then discussed the possibility of the purchase of the UNFI property. There was some discussion over the concerns of the property. No motion was made to proceed.

The Council then discussed the progress on the registration of the City's Businesses with the new City Business License. After some discussion Councilman Sherrell moved to waive the fine for failure to register through December 31, 2011. Councilman Savage seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Connie Burks then addressed the Council and expressed her concerns with some of the unconstitutional issues that were in the City's Business License.

Rick Maples then addressed the Council and expressed his congratulations to the City on several projects that were being completed in town. He went on to ask about the progress on the condemnation proceeding on Hoops and Home Runs. City Attorney Younes reported to the Council that the owner has retained his own legal council and that he would continue working with them to try to get a resolution on the condemnation or the owner establishing a firm plan to bring the property back to code.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer

City of Harrison

Council Meeting

August 25, 2011 – 7:00 pm

There was a regular meeting of the Harrison City Council on **August 25, 2011 at 7:00 pm** in the Community Room of the Community First Bank Operations Building located on Goblin Drive.

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: James Harrison: **P**; Joe Crockett: **P**; Dan Sherrell: **P**; Johnny Savage: **P**
Cloyd Baltimore: **P**; Wendell Stephens: **P**; Dave Fitton: **P**; Shannon Snow: **P**.

Reverend Tim Hampton opened the meeting with prayer, and Mayor Crockett lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Stephens made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 28, 2011 Council meeting. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Crockett then presented his appointments establishing the Harrison Housing Authority Board. The Housing Authority Board members will be appointed to various terms to establish a staggered term basis for the positions. As the initial terms expire, members will be appointed to 5 year terms beginning in August of each year. The original Harrison Housing Authority Board members will be as follows:

Karen Dezort (Term Expires July 31, 2012)	Seamnus Doyle (Term Expires July 31, 2013)
Gwen Hoffman (Term Expires July 31, 2014)	Derek White (Term Expires July 31, 2015)
Brad Brown (Term Expires July 31, 2016)	

Councilman Stephens made a motion to accept the appointments. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Department Reports:

Councilman Baltimore requested Finance Director Ragland to explain to the Council the increase that the City has noticed in Sales Tax Revenue. Ragland explained that it was his opinion that the increase was mainly due to alcohol sales.

Committee Reports:

Community Environment, Services & Welfare: No Report

Finance Committee: Councilman Fitton made a motion to place the proposed sales tax ordinance on its second reading by title only. Councilman Baltimore seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison.....	No	Joe Crockett.....	Yes
Dan Sherrell.....	No	Johnny Savage	Yes
Cloyd Baltimore	Yes	Wendell Stephens.....	Yes
Dave Fitton	Yes	Shannon Snow.....	Yes

Total Votes - 6-Yes; 2-No – Motion Passed

Internal Affairs: Councilman Snow made a motion that proposed ordinance titled:

**An Ordinance Establishing a Policy for a
Drug Free Workplace**

Be placed on its first reading by title only as amended by the committee. Councilman Harrison seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Public Safety: No Report

Public Works & Transportation: No Report

Resources & Policy:

Councilman Snow made a motion to place proposed ordinance titled

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
ORDINANCE NO. 1337 (CITY CODE 4.01.04)
TO EXEMPT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS
FROM BUSINESS LICENSE FILING**

On its second and third readings by title only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Baltimore. The vote was:

James Harrison.....	No	Joe Crockett.....	Yes
Dan Sherrell.....	Yes	Johnny Savage	Yes
Cloyd Baltimore	Yes	Wendell Stephens.....	Yes
Dave Fitton	Yes	Shannon Snow.....	Yes

Total Votes - 7-Yes; 1-No – Motion Passed

Councilman Snow then made a motion to adopt the ordinance. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Councilman Stephens then moved to enact the emergency clause. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then asked the Council their pleasure concerning placing the Staggered Terms of Councilmen on its third reading. After some discussion Councilman Sherrell moved to table the issue. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison.....	Yes	Joe Crockett.....	Yes
Dan Sherrell.....	Yes	Johnny Savage	Yes
Cloyd Baltimore	No	Wendell Stephens.....	No
Dave Fitton	No	Shannon Snow.....	Yes

Total Votes - 5-Yes; 3-No – Motion Passed

Councilman Baltimore then presented the Council with proposed ordinance titled

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 839
(MAY 4, 1981) WHICH DEALS WITH THE ASSIGNING
OF STREET NUMBERS TO BUILDINGS;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

After some discussion Councilman Sherrell moved to table the ordinance. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion.

The vote was:

James Harrison.....	No	Joe Crockett.....	Yes
Dan Sherrell.....	Yes	Johnny Savage	Yes
Cloyd Baltimore	No	Wendell Stephens.....	No
Dave Fitton	No	Shannon Snow.....	No

Total Votes - 5-Yes; 3-No – Motion Passed

Councilman Baltimore presented a proposed resolution titled
A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
TRAILS PILOT PROGRAM AND
AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR TO
PURSUE A GRANT APPLICATION

Councilman Fitton made a motion to approve it. Councilman Stephens seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Baltimore then presented the Council with proposed resolution titled:
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN FY2011 COMMUNITY
CHALLENGE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)
AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS

Councilman Sherrell made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Crockett seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

Councilman Baltimore called a Resources and Policy committee meeting to be held at City Hall in the Council Room on Tuesday August 30, 2011 at 6:00 pm.

Councilman Baltimore then discussed the City's progress on getting all of the area businesses licensed. It was reported that the City is continually receiving applications and were working to identify businesses that have not registered.

City Attorney Younes advised the Council that the Court had rescheduled the Hoops and Home Run court date to October 12, 2011.

Mayor Crockett then presented the Council with the bids for the Clean Out of Lake Harrison. The low bidder was Eaton Excavating. Councilman Sherrell made a motion to accept Eatons bid. Councilman Fitton seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Reverend Patricia Parks then spoke to the Council and expressed her favor in the Council working to raise the standards in the city concerning Clean Premises.

Rick Shoenberger then addressed the council and requested that the city supply more street lights. The Mayor advised Shoenberger that he could place a request and it would be considered.

Connie Burks then addressed the Council and expressed her thanks for correcting the Business License ordinance.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeff Crockett , Mayor

Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer