

**City of Eudora
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**WILLIAM STANTON, MAYOR
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**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
DENNIS BUTLER
BECKY SERIO
CHARLENE TAYLOR
STEPHEN TISDALE**

**PHILLIP JONES
LOUIS SCOTT
ROBERT THOMAS, JR.
DANITA TURNER**

**MINUTES OF THE EUDORA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 17, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stanton @ 6:00 P.M. There were six aldermen present for roll call. Alderman Thomas arrived shortly after roll call and Alderman Taylor was absent.

Alderman Scott made the motion to adopt the minutes from the March 20, 2012 regular meeting and Alderman Butler seconded the motion. Motion carried. The minutes are adopted.

Mayor Stanton gave an answer to a question asked on last month to the council after attending the Legislative Audit. Pg. 4 of handbook. The general fund financial records contained misstatements in accounts payable and expenditures in the amounts of \$194,486 and \$261,863 respectively, due to a failure to record accounts payable and posting errors. The audit chairman gave the explanations for this. These are debts that have occurred since 2006 - 2010.

Mr. Terrell told the council that the bank statements were late. They were printed on the 11th day of the month.

Alderman Tisdale made the motion to pay the bill for the attorney used during the IRS meeting. Alderman Butler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mayor Stanton stated that presently there is a Supreme Court ruling on this and he would not sign the check until he received clearance. The attorney's fee is \$2,184.92.

The Dept. of Corrections sent a copy of the letter of agreement to the city verifying the \$1,500.00 a month payment. Mr. Terrell needs to know if he should continue to pay the \$500.00 the council agreed upon. Alderman Turner made the motion to start paying the \$1,500.00 payment originally agreed upon. Alderman Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Terrell addressed the Internal Control Letter on Pg. 3 of the Audit finding and explained what each area meant. Cash receipts and disbursement journal are being

kept; pre-numbered receipts, accounts receivable & payable – Quick book set up will have; there are receipt books accepted by Mrs. Toney in front office.

Mayor Stanton addressed all other issues stated in the audit report and the corrective action plan that was in place. Mayor Stanton also told the council that the Legislative Audit asked that a copy of each monthly statement be sent to the Monticello office to Mr. Jerry Woodall. Mr. Terrell stated he didn't think that the reports could be sent to Mr. Woodall.

Mayor Stanton told the council that an ex-employee had asked him to re-hire them. He called the person on Monday and they had changed their mind and said no.

Alderman Thomas made the motion to adopt the financial report and Alderman Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried. The financial report is adopted.

Chief Watkins gave each council member an envelope which can not to be discussed in public. There are three (3) full time officers. These people must have two days off. The city has two part-time officers to do twenty-four hours each. It would be better if we hired three part-time officers. It wouldn't cost the city any more to hire an additional person than paying two people. Alderman Jones stated since 911 had left there is no way for police to be dispatched. If there's a problem and no one is at the police station how does a person get assistance. Chief responded, Monday – Friday there will be someone at the PD. On Saturday and Sunday they will have to close down.

Alderman Turner made the motion to take \$1,011.58 from general fund and put encoded and mileage and accessory kit listed on PO#2490 and reimburse to 833 funds when monies come in. Alderman Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried.

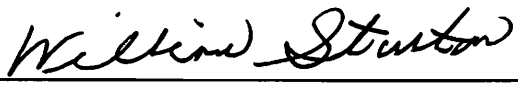
Alderman Jones asked if there were monies in the budget for dispatchers all year. Mr. Tisdale stated that that five people that were budgeted in the police dept. budget would cover the \$5,000.00 monthly payment to the IRS.

Alderman Turner made the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel and Alderman Thomas seconded the motion. Mayor Stanton said he would not be joining the council in executive session. Mayor Stanton did meet in executive session with council members. After returning from executive session Alderman Serio made the motion to hire one part-time dispatcher if the county takes over dispatching for the city will do away with all dispatchers and Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

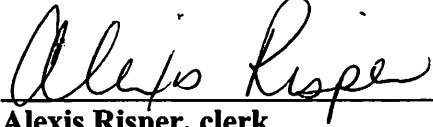
During ward reports comments concerns were with having a police appreciation dinner, hire a dog catcher, a vet will be coming this summer to give shots at a reduced rate, questions with the contract agreement with the ambulance service, broken culvert at Mrs. Pickrom's home, street flooding on Pine and Academy.

During Audience comments concerns were with spraying for mosquitoes, hole in driveway on Hwy. 65, hwy dept. says it's the city responsibility to fix it.

Alderman Serio made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Alderman Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting is adjourned.



William Stanton, Mayor



Alexis Risper, clerk