Mayor David Morris called to order a Special Session of the Searcy City Council. Mayor David Morris gave the Invocation, with the Pledge of Allegiance following, led by City Attorney Buck Gibson. City Clerk Jerry Morris called the roll with the following Aldermen answering “present”: Logan Cothern, Mary Ann Arnett, J R Howard, Steve Sterling, Dale English, Don Raney, Dale Brewer and Mike Chalenburg. Also present was City Attorney Buck Gibson.

Item (c) on the agenda was a continuation of the discussion regarding the 2014 budget for the City of Searcy. A proposed 2014 budget had been presented to the City Council at a Committee of the Whole meeting which was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2014. A question regarding clarification of the proposed projected revenue attributed to the line item 01 4-000-30-01 ‘SANITATION COLLECTION’ was addressed by Executive Assistant to the Mayor/Human Resource Manager Jay Shock. He stated that he had done a review of the revenues that were received for residential and commercial sanitation collections as shown for the calendar year 2013 and had consulted with the Mayor and the Clerk/Treasurer concerning the proposed projected revenues. Following this review, he stated that he was comfortable with the projected revenues as presented.

Mayor Morris asked if there were any more questions and/or discussion regarding the presented proposal for the 2014 budget for the City of Searcy. No other questions or comments were brought forward. Mayor Morris thanked the Council for the work and effort given in examining the 2014 budget proposal and also for the questions that were asked seeking clarification on particular items contained in the proposal.

Item (d) on the agenda was an ordinance to adopt the 2014 budget for the City of Searcy. A motion was made by Mr. Raney, seconded by Mr. Cothern, to suspend the rules and allow reading of the ordinance by title only. Motion carried with the following voting “yes”: Arnett, Howard, Sterling, English, Raney, Brewer, Chalenburg, and Cothern. Mr. Gibson read the ordinance by title only. A motion was then made by Mr. Sterling, seconded by Mr. English, to adopt the ordinance which was for adopting the 2014 budget for the City of Searcy. Motion carried with the following voting “yes”: Howard, Sterling, English, Raney, Brewer, Chalenburg, Cothern, and Arnett. Mr. Gibson then read the emergency clause of the ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Cothern, seconded by Mr. Howard, to adopt the emergency clause, with the following voting “yes”: Sterling, English, Raney, Brewer, Chalenburg, Cothern, Arnett, and Howard. **Ordinance 2014-03**

Mayor Morris reminded those for whom it concerned that the completed ‘Statement of Financial Interest’ should be returned to the City Clerk’s office by January 31, 2014.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

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/s/ David Morris
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris
CITY CLERK

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