

**Searcy City Council – Special Session**  
**September 13, 2013 12:30 p.m.**  
**Minutes**

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 Clerk/Treasurer Jerry Morris. City Clerk Jerry Morris called the roll with the following Aldermen answering “present”: Logan Cothorn, Mary Ann Arnett, JR Howard, Steve Sterling, Dale English, Don Raney, and Mike Chalenburg. Alderman Dale Brewer was not present. Also present was City Attorney Buck Gibson.

Item (c) was for consideration for the re-authorization to remit \$20,068.00 to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and to sign an agreement with the FAA for the relocation of the Automatic Weather Sensor System (AWSS) acquisition control unit (ACU) at the Searcy Municipal Airport from the old airport terminal building to the new airport terminal building. The appropriation of \$20,068.00 was authorized by the Searcy City Council in Ordinance 2013-12 at the March 12, 2013 regular monthly meeting. A check was written and remitted to the FAA on March 13, 2013 for the purpose of relocating the AWSS ACU. Subsequently, the City of Searcy was notified by the FAA that they were not ready to perform the relocation and requested the City of Searcy make application to have the funds returned. The funds were received and credited back to the Airport ‘AWSS ACU EQUIPMENT RELOCATION’ expenditure account (01 5-040-05-16) on April 24, 2013. The FAA has now informed the City of Searcy that they are now ready to perform the relocation, but will now install a new updated weather system (Automated Weather Observation System – C (AWOS-C) which they will own and also maintain. The FAA also informed the City of Searcy that at this time, specifically being that the end of the fiscal year for the FAA is September 30, 2013, the City of Searcy and the Searcy Airport Commission’s desire to relocate the positioning of the weather system’s related sensor equipment will not be considered, but may be revisited in the future. City Attorney Gibson informed the Council that the agreement regarding the remittance of \$20,068.00 for the relocation of the control equipment from the old airport terminal building to the new airport terminal building is in substance the same as the previous agreement, therefore the previous appropriation is still valid. A motion was then made by Mr. Howard, seconded by Mr. Cothorn, to re-authorize the signing of the agreement and the remittance of \$20,068.00 to the FAA for the relocation of the updated weather system equipment from the old terminal building to the new airport terminal building. The motion carried with the following voting “yes”: Arnett, Howard, Sterling, English, Raney, Chalenburg, and Cothorn.

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

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

- a. Appropriate \$19,900.00 to Drug Enforcement and Covert Fund ‘POLICE VEHICLE PURCHASE’ expenditure account (07 5-500-05-03) for the

purchase of 2009 Chevrolet Tahoe vehicle from Northstar EMS;

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

- a. \$19,900.00 to Northstar EMS for the purchase of 2009 Chevrolet Tahoe vehicle for the Police Department;

A motion was made by Mr. Raney, seconded by Mr. Chalenburg, to suspend the rules and allow reading of the ordinance by title only. Motion carried with the following voting "yes": Howard, Sterling, English, Raney, Chalenburg, Cothorn, and Arnett. Mr. Gibson read the ordinance by title only. A motion was then made by Mr. Chalenburg, seconded by Mr. Howard, to adopt the ordinance. The ordinance passed with the following voting "yes": Sterling, English, Raney, Chalenburg, Cothorn, Arnett, and Howard. Mr. Gibson then read the emergency clause of the ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Raney, seconded by Mr. Cothorn, to adopt the emergency clause, with the following voting "yes": English, Raney, Chalenburg, Cothorn, Arnett, Howard, and Sterling. **Ordinance 2013-29**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Minutes Approved: October 8, 2013

/s/ David Morris  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris  
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