

December 1, 2008

## CALL TO ORDER

A Council worksession of the City of Saint Marys was called to order by Mayor Sally Geyer on Monday, December 1, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room of City Hall, 11 LaFayette Street. Notice of this meeting was sent to Council on November 26, 2008, posted at City Hall, and published in the Daily Press.

## ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Sally Geyer, Dennis Nero, Thomas Farley, Steven Skok, Richard Dornisch, Richard Gabler, Jr., City Manager David Greene, and City Solicitor Mark Jacob

Absent: Sean Gabler (excused)

## VISITORS

Visitors included: Daniel Hepner and Richard Sadley

Statement from  
Councilman  
Sean Gabler

Manager Greene read the following statement from Councilman Sean Gabler to the residents of St. Marys:

"Due to work related conflicts, I will be unable to attend the next couple City Council meetings. I will continue to review issues that come before Council, but will not be present to vote. When this schedule conflict eases, I look forward to participating at the same level as I have in the past. Thank you for your patience."

The Manager noted Sean Gabler will be missing just one more meeting in December and that Mr. Gabler should be back the first of the year.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
November 17, 2008

Richard Dornisch made a motion to approve the minutes of November 17, 2008. The motion was seconded by Richard Gabler.

Thomas Farley wished to clarify a statement on page 2, second last paragraph that should state "He was concerned that if something should happen within 6 mos/1 year, that the Airport Authority finds out they can no longer maintain the airport, maybe the Airport Authority Board would request to be dissolved and turn the complete airport operations over to the City."

Motion Passed

All were in favor to approve the minutes with the above clarification.

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## CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments on agenda topics.

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

**Consider for Publication:**  
Ordinance No. 246 re:  
Amending Police Pension  
Plan

Manager Greene read a letter from Randall Rhoades, of Rhoades & Wodarczyk, explaining the need for the amendments to the Police Pension and the Non-uniformed Pension Plans. He stated the ordinances should be adopted by the City prior to January 31, 2009.

Ordinance No. 246 was presented amending the City's Police Pension Plan to update the plan for recent changes to the Internal Revenue Code applicable to the plan.

Thomas Farley made a motion to publish Ordinance No. 246, seconded by Steven Skok, and all were in favor.

Ordinance No. 247 re:  
Non-uniform Pension  
Plan

Ordinance No. 247 was presented amending and restating the Pension Plan for the benefit of the City's full-time employees other than Police Officers, utilizing a corporate fiduciary, continuing a Pension Fund and providing for its management and maintenance, continuing administrative procedures, and continuing requirements and criteria for coverage, benefits, vesting and rights of participants.

Richard Gabler made a motion to publish Ordinance No. 247, seconded by Dennis Nero, and all were in favor.

**Consider for Adoption**  
Resolution No. 08-23  
re: Keystone  
Opportunity Zone  
Act  
(C/G Expansion)

Manager Greene explained, in the new KOZ legislation, boundaries may be expanded. C/G Electrodes, LLC, is requesting an additional 14.20 acres be placed into the Keystone Opportunity Zone. He stated there are two KOZ plans and eventually the City will need to select one.

Resolution No. 08-23 was presented authorizing real property, earned income tax, net profits mercantile, and business privilege taxes within a specific geographic area in the County of Elk designated as a proposed Keystone Opportunity Zone, Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone or Keystone Opportunity Improvement Zone, as appropriate for the contiguous zone, in order to foster economic opportunities, stimulate industrial, commercial, and residential improvements and prevent physical and infrastructure deterioration within the designated areas of Elk County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, upon certain terms and conditions.

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Dennis Nero made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 08-23. The motion was seconded by Steven Skok.

Besides the City approving the request from C/G, the request must also be approved by the School District and the County.

Motion Passed

After a brief discussion, all were in favor to adopt Resolution No. 08-23.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

There were no topics for discussion.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no Council comments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Geyer made the following announcements:

- Public Hearing on the City's 2009 Budget will be held on Monday, December 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Budget will be on display at City Hall and at the Library.
- Next Council meeting will be held on Monday, December 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Richard Dornisch made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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Mayor

*Shirley Dicklas*  
 Recording Secretary