

## CITY OF SAINT MARYS COUNCIL RESCHEDULED WORKSESSION

January 2, 2007

**CALL TO ORDER** The rescheduled Council worksession of the City of Saint Marys was called to order by Mayor Sally Geyer on Tuesday, January 2, 2007 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 December 28, 2006, posted at City Hall, and published in the Daily Press.

**ROLL CALL** Present: Mayor Sally Geyer, Dennis Nero, Steven Skok, Mark Kopp, Thomas Farley, Richard Dornisch, Sean Gabler, and City Manager David Greene

**VISITORS** Visitors included: Matt Madurski, Richard Sadley, and Katie Weidenboerner

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
December 18, 2006** Richard Dornisch made a motion to approve the minutes of December 18, 2006, seconded by Dennis Nero, and all were in favor.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS  
ON AGENDA TOPICS** There were no citizen comments on agenda topics.

**LEGISLATIVE ACTION  
Appointment of City  
Solicitor** A motion was made by Sean Gabler to appoint Stephen French as City Solicitor for the year 2007, seconded by Steven Skok, and all were in favor.

**Appointment of a  
Vacancy Board Chairman** Mayor Sally Geyer made a motion to appoint Vernon VanAlstine as Chairman of the Vacancy Board, seconded by Dennis Nero, and all were in favor.

**Policy Revisions for  
St. Marys Police Dept.** Manager Greene stated a memo was received from Chief Todd Caltagarone proposing two policy revisions for review and approval by Council.

**Use of Force Policy**  
This policy was revised on June 15, 2006. Because of new information the Chief received, he is convinced that additional language consistent with Graham vs. Conner (1989) is a necessary part of the policy.

**Use of Aerosol Defense Sprays Policy**  
Although this policy has been on file at the Police Station for sometime, there is no evidence that the policy was ever approved or reviewed by Council, nor is there evidence of the date of its adoption.

The two policies have been forwarded to Solicitor French for his review and comment. Mayor Geyer noted that an e-mail was received from the Solicitor, who found them acceptable.

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A motion was made by Dennis Nero to approve the policy revisions and seconded by Mark Kopp.

Thomas Farley noted that under the Use Aerosol Defense Spray Policy IV. Employment of Aerosol Sprays, the second letter "D" should be "E".

All were in favor of the motion.

**TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION**

County of Elk re:  
NACO Prescription  
Discount Card

A memo was received from the County of Elk regarding a NACO Prescription Discount Card. The NACO Drug Discount Card Program helps consumers to save money on their prescription medications any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance. The free cards are distributed in the sponsoring County and may be used at any participating retail pharmacy. The cards could save an average of 20%

The cards may be used by all county residents, regardless of age, income, or existing health coverage. There is no enrollment form, no membership fee and no restrictions or limits on frequency of use. Cardholders and their family members may use the card any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mark Kopp noted that the downtown projects are coming along and that everything looks great.

Richard Dornisch made a personal statement as to the relationship between the media and administration. He strongly supports the media's position in any situation that is political or administrative in any level of government. He also strongly supports the Sunshine Law. The more information that is revealed to the public, the safer he feels.

Steven Skok requested that an Executive Session be held after the meeting regarding personnel matters.

Thomas Farley commented on an article that appeared in the Daily Press. The article stated Graham Kopp, Architectural Artist and Industrial Designer, is building a model of the new construction in the downtown area. Mr. Farley asked when the model would be completed and where will it be displayed?

Manager Greene stated he was unsure when the model would be completed. An artist's rendition of the townhouses and the parking garage have not been received but can be added at a later date. The

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model will possibly be displayed in the windows of CEC or the St. Marys Youth Building. The City will also have display boards placed in the windows showing the Impact St. Marys Project.

The Manager also noted that Graham Kopp's labor is all volunteer and that the City is providing the cost of the material.

Mayor Geyer agreed with Mark Kopp about the on-going projects in the downtown area and that citizens can see something being done. Their reactions are positive.

**Executive Session**

An Executive Session was held at this time regarding personnel matters. No decisions were made.

**Reconvened**

Council reconvened their meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mayor Geyer made the following announcement:

- Next Council meeting will be held on Monday, January 15, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mark Kopp made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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Mayor

*Beverly Dicklas*  
Recording Secretary