

December 12, 2007

The Council of the City of Maryville, Missouri, met in special emergency session on Wednesday, December 12, 2007, at City Hall in said City at 8:15 p.m. The meeting was called to order to discuss the emergency needs of the city and citizens, resulting in the destructive ice storm, which downed trees and power lines, leaving most of the city without electricity.

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jackson and the roll was called by the City Clerk, with the following present to-wit: Mayor Chad Jackson, Council Members Carole Coutts, Michael Thompson and Pat Cummings. Council Member Jerry Wilmes was absent. Others present were City Manager Matt LeCerf; Dir., Public Safety Keith Wood; Jay Cacek, Street Superintendent; Eric Lance, Water/Sewer Maintenance Superintendent; and City Clerk Sheila Smail.

ICE STORM ISSUES

City Manager LeCerf thanked the various city departments for their quick and helpful response of the need for many citizens. He stated that four stations had been established as dumping stations for the trees and branches that have come down due to the ice storm. The City designated Beal Park, Judah Park, and Sessionic Park as disposal areas and Northwest Missouri State University (NWMSU) has opened a field south of Donaldson Park for trees and brush to be deposited. NWMSU intends to grind the wood to be used as a heating source and encouraged citizens to deposit their brush at their location.

Mr. LeCerf stated that at this time, the city is encouraging citizens who are capable of cleaning up their downed trees and limbs and to deposit them at the designated sites, to do so. It was suggested that for those who are unable to clear their own, an assistance program be organized.

City Manager LeCerf informed the Council of possibilities of receiving Federal Emergency Management Assistance (FEMA) funds and State Emergency Management Assistance (SEMA) funds to help with the cleanup expenses.

Aquila and United Electric companies are expecting additional assistance in bringing electrical service back to their customers as quickly as possible.

A disaster relief statement will be released via various media sources, to inform citizens of assistance available and progress being made. It was suggested that on the city website, emergency information be posted.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilman Thompson, seconded by Councilwoman Cummings that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Councilwoman Coutts, yea; Councilwoman Cummings, yea; Councilman Thompson, yea; Mayor Jackson, yea. Motion carried.

Mayor, Chad Jackson

ATTESTED:

City Clerk, Sheila Smail