

CITY OF CEDARVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
February 19, 2019

The regular monthly City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Mark Isenhower after he declared that a quorum was present. A moment of silence was followed by the pledge of allegiance. Council members present were Alderman McClendon, Alderman Breshears and Alderman Johnson. Alderman Odom was ill.

A motion to approve the January regular monthly meeting minutes was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman McClendon. Passed 3-0

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Sandy Cook. End of January balances for each account were read and the February Financial Report was reviewed. A motion to approve the February Financial Report was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Grounds Supervisor Kenneth Brenton reported that the department has checked all city roads for proper ditch drainage and all are flowing well.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 27 citizen calls, 4 assist to other agencies, 14 citations, 13 warning citations, 1 alarm answered, 6 accidents, 3 arrests, 6 felonies and misdemeanors reports filed, 2 warrants served and 27 complaint reports.

Fire Department Captain Cody Cooper reported 8 medical calls and 0 fire calls. The Fire Department has received the 10 new digital radios. Cedarville Fire Department currently has three qualified first responders. Five volunteers have begun First Responder classes and five volunteers have attended Hazmat training.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

#### NEW BUSINESS

Courtney Cochran, Cedarville High School Principal, addressed the Council with concerns for the national crisis of teenage vaping and the effects on our high school students. Since August, 2019, 50% of the 38 students placed in In School Suspension are there for vaping. Ms. Cochran asked the Council for ideas to engage the community to



help with this issue. The Mayor offered to coordinate with the school for a town hall meeting at city hall to discuss this issue in the near future.

Mayor Isenhower asked to add an item, Mayor Jones of Rudy to speak, to the agenda. A motion to add the item to the agenda was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Mayor Jones of Rudy asked the City of Cedarville Council to support a bill changing state law to allow local option elections allowing alcohol sales in municipalities located in dry counties. Three cities in our area have already passed a resolution to support the bill and three more cities are reviewing the issue. A motion to approve Resolution # 2019-02-19-05, support for local option elections to allow alcohol sales in municipalities located in dry counties, was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Mayor Isenhower asked the Council to add Resolution # 2019-02-19-04, accepting a bid for the maintenance shop air line project, to the agenda. A motion to add Resolution # 2019-02-19-04 to the agenda was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

Bids were opened by the Treasurer and presented as follows:

Cooksey Plumbing - \$2400, Andrews Plumbing - \$1875 and Workman Plumbing-\$1600. A motion to approve Resolution # 2019-02-19-04 and award the bid to Workman Plumbing was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

The City's 2017 Financial and Compliance Report issued to the Legislative Joint Audit Committee was presented to the Council for review. The City was found to be in substantial compliance with Arkansas fiscal and financial laws and there were no findings for the year ending December 31, 2017. A motion to accept the 2017 audit report was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Mayor Isenhower presented Resolution # 2019-02-19-01, authorizing the Mayor to apply for a regular 50/50 grant from the Arkansas Department of Rural Services on behalf of the Cedarville Fire Department. The grant would be used to purchase 10 sets of turn out gear and 10 sets of wild land fire gear. The total cost is \$24,786 and the City would be responsible for \$12,393, half the amount. A motion to approve Resolution # 2019-02-19-01 was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Mayor Isenhower presented Resolution # 2019-02-19-02, accepting a bid from Emergency Vehicle Specialist for Fire Department tank equipment, appropriating funds



and authorizing the Mayor to execute necessary documents. The equipment includes two 2100 gallon dump tanks (one for each engine) and two 10' hard suction hoses and one strainer plus freight totaling \$2975.89. A motion to approve Resolution # 2019-02-19-02 was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman McClendon. Passed 3-0

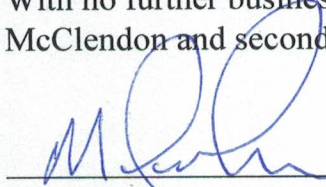
Resolution # 2019-02-19-03, approving the 2019 amended budget for the City of Cedarville, was presented by Mayor Isenhower. The Mayor requested approximately \$2200 be added to the Fire Department payroll to hire two part time administrative assistants to more efficiently maintain fire department records. An additional \$10,000 was requested to be added to the Fire Department budget to offset the costs of up-to-date equipment and gear. A motion to approve Resolution # 2019-02-19-03 and attach the amended budget was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Mayor Isenhower presented Ordinance # 2019-02-19-01, setting the salaries of various elected officials of the City of Cedarville. A motion to suspend the reading rules and read the Ordinance only once was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Roll Call: Alderman Breshears – yes, Alderman Johnson – yes, Alderman McClendon – yes. Passed 3-0

Mayor Isenhower read Ordinance # 2019-02-19-01. The monthly salaries set by the Council are Mayor \$1000, Treasurer \$750, Alderman \$0 to begin in 90 days. A motion to approve Ordinance # 2019-02-19-01 was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

Treasurer Sandy Cook asked the Council whether to post the Final 2018 Budget and Financial Report in several locations around Cedarville or pay to publish it in the Press-Argus Courier, which is now in Fort Smith. Arkansas State law allows Cities of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Class to post at various locations within the city if there is no Newspaper published in the City. Posting locations in Cedarville are the Cedarville Post Office, Cedarville Library, Cedarville City Hall, Cedarville Water Department and Cedarville Senior Citizen Inn. The Council asked it also be posted at Cedarville One Stop Convenience Center. A motion to post the 2018 Final Budget and Financial Report was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

  
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