

CITY OF CEDARVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
July 18, 2017

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 Odom, Alderman Breshears, Alderman Johnson and Alderman McClendon.

A motion to approve the June regular monthly meeting minutes was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Sandy Cook. End of June balances for each account were read. A motion to approve the July Financial report was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Street Supervisor Marlin Evans reported that a grader operator has been hired. He has been grading roads and pulling ditches. The maintenance shop is near completion. The gas line, water line and electricity has been connected. The overhead garage doors have been ordered to complete the shop.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 24 citizen calls, 4 assists for other agencies, 5 traffic citations, 2 warning citations, 2 alarm calls, 2 arrests made, 7 misdemeanor reports and 2 felony reports filed, 5 disturbances and 2 warrants served.

Fire Chief Don Rosson reported 10 calls, 9 medical and 1 control burn. The Cedarville Fire Department will participate in the Arkansas Fire Wise Program sponsored by the Arkansas Forestry Commission. A training session on risk assessment surveys will be held August 8. When the training and surveys are complete, the Fire Department will receive a \$1000.00 grant to be spent in the fire department.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The State 50/50 Hazard Mitigation matching grant to replace the bridge on Neal Road has been submitted.

The 2003 Durango has been designated as the Fire Department's first responder vehicle. To place it in operation, the blue light bar needs to be changed to a red light bar which have been ordered.

The City is awaiting reimbursements from the Arkansas Police Chief Association and the U.S. Department of Justice for the police department vests.

The first city sales and use tax check was received in June in the amount of \$5473.75.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Isenhower discussed citizens requesting that red-signed roads be maintained by the city. The City Street Department maintains "city" gravel, chip 'n seal and asphalt roads. City roads are signed with a green road name sign. Roads not maintained by the City, "non-city" roads are signed with a red road name sign and may be private or public roads.

Attorney Sean Brister discussed the two options available to the city in order to grade red-signed public roads. One option is that every landowner on the road sign a release of liability to the city. The city then would grade the roads up to two times a year. Another option is that every landowner on the road grant and pay for a filed easement, then dedicate the road to the city. The city then has the option to accept the road into the city road system. Each road would be considered on a case by case basis for either option.

Mayor Isenhower checked with the school to determine which red-signed roads are utilized by the school buses. At this time, the only red-signed road utilized by the school bus is Sunset Lane. According to the previous Mayor Pyle, only roads maintained by the county at the time of city incorporation were designated as a city road. The Council asked Attorney Brister to write an ordinance for the two options for consideration at the next council meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Breshears requested an ordinance be written to ensure the continuation of published financial information by the treasurer. Currently all bank reconciliations, financial reports, and minutes are published on the city website, posted on the display board on the front of city hall and placed

in public accessible binders inside city hall. The Treasurer maintains the originals. All ordinances and resolutions are published on the city website, a copy placed in public accessible binders, and a copy is maintained in the mayor's office. The Treasurer maintains the originals. All ordinances are posted for 30 days in the required five locations within the city limits.

Mayor Isenhower presented a mid-year budget review. Each category was reviewed and presented to the public. The treasurer was asked to contact the bank concerning the CD's on deposit. An amended budget will be submitted at the August Council Meeting.

The City would like to host another Citizen's Day if enough citizens will volunteer.

With no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

  
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Recorder/Treasurer