

CITY OF CEDARVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 21, 2020

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 on vacation.

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

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Grounds Supervisor Kenneth Brenton reported that at least one third of Neal Road's ditches had been cleaned and widened with riprap placed on the selected parts of the ditches. The dump truck and the roller are down for repairs. Upkeep of the roads and grounds is always a work in progress.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 30 citizen calls, 8 assists to other agencies, 15 citations, 29 warning citations, 0 alarms answered, 2 accident, 2 arrests, 9 felonies and misdemeanor reports filed, and 1 warrant served.

Fire Chief Cody Cooper reported 24 medical calls, 1 truck accident, 1 tree across the road and 1 assist to District 9 Volunteer Fire Department.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2020 census is in progress via mail or online. Citizens that have not submitted a survey will be visited soon by a census worker.

The 2019 financial and compliance engagement (audit) is complete. We are awaiting the final out brief, but it appears the audit was a success with no findings for the fifth year in a row.

Free COVID 19 testing is scheduled at the EOC in Van Buren on August 1, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The Clean-up day was very successful. Both dumpsters were full well before the end of the day.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Maria Daniel of Neal Road responded to the complaint of neighbors at the June Council meeting concerning the noise level of chickens on her Neal Road property. City Attorney Sean Brister presented two options for the city: a noise ordinance or limit the number of animals housed on the property. The Mayor emphasized that the City prefers that the citizens resolve the issues between themselves. The owner of the chickens stated he would build some type of wall to try to minimize the noise. The issue was tabled until the August Council Meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Mayor presented Ordinance 2020-06-16-01, the question of detachment from the City of certain contiguous territory to the voters, for the second reading. A motion to read the ordinance by number and title only was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Roll call vote: Alderman McClendon – yes, Alderman Johnson – yes, Alderman Breshears – yes. Passed 3-0. The Mayor then read the Ordinance by number and title only.

Mayor Isenhower presented Ordinance 2020-06-16-02, establishing minimum standards for the use and maintenance of all lands within the city limits, (Clean up Ordinance) for the second reading. A motion to read the ordinance by number and title only was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Roll call vote: Alderman Breshears – yes, Alderman Johnson – yes, Alderman McClendon – yes. Passed 3-0. The Mayor then read the Ordinance by number and title only.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Isenhower presented Ordinance # 2020-07-21-01, requiring a permit to work on any city street or right of way. A motion to read the Ordinance once, suspend the reading rule, waive the two additional readings and vote immediately was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Breshears. Roll call vote: Alderman McClendon – yes, Alderman Johnson – yes, Alderman Breshears – yes. Passed 3-0. Mayor Isenhower then read the Ordinance.

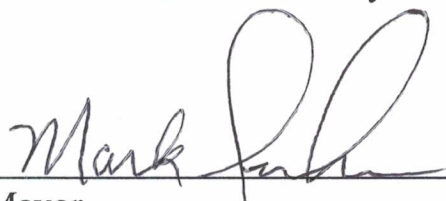
A motion to adopt Ordinance # 2020-07-21-01 was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

A motion to declare an emergency and have Ordinance # 2020-07-21-01 take effect and be in full force after passage and publication was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Roll call vote: Alderman McClendon – yes, Alderman Johnson – yes, Alderman Breshears – yes. Passed 3-0


Resolution # 2020-07-21-01, accepting the bid and authorizing the Mayor to purchase a used 2018 47 HP tractor, loader, box blade and Lane shark cutter, was presented by Mayor Isenhower. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

Mayor Isenhower presented a review of the budget for the first six months of the year. An increase in certain areas of the budget was discussed. Further discussion was tabled until the August Council Meeting.

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



Mayor



Recorder/Treasurer