CITY OF CEDARVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES June 20, 2023

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

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

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Grounds Supervisor Kenneth Brenton reported the department has been busy grading roads and picking up debris after the storms.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 26 citizen calls, 3 assists to other agencies, 3 citations, 6 warning citations, 2 alarms answered, 1 accident, 0 arrests, 6 felonies and misdemeanor reports filed, and 0 warrants served. Code Enforcement Officer Sandusky issued 6 warnings.

Fire Chief Cody Cooper reported 1 grass fire call, 7 medical calls and 1 assist. Two volunteers are attending training in Northwest Arkansas. There are currently 15 volunteers on the roster.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The three dodge charger police cars are not ready to send to auction, work in progress.

Mayor Pinkerton is still discussing more options with Scott Knight for more dumpster service.

A meeting with a representative from the state grant committee will be at the City Park on June 27 at 9:00 a.m. to assess the City needs. All are welcome to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

The fire dept. needs arctic compressors to refill air units when needed. Currently our air units are filled by other fire departments when available. A motion to list the current rescue truck with fire truck sales at a minimum of \$52,500 and later purchase compressors for the fire station for \$53,594.80 (quote from EVS) was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

The street department requests to hire a temporary grader driver for the summer to allow the street department employees to focus on other issues. A motion to hire a part-time temporary grader driver for 8 hours per week was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

Mayor Pinkerton presented a quote for digital radios for the fire department. The police department also needs digital radios and new radar units. A motion to purchase digital radios for the fire department, digital radios and radar units for the police department was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

A request was made to raise the hourly paid police officers from \$16.80/hour to \$18.00/hour. During discussion the mayor and the treasurer stated the employees were all given a 5% raise on January 1 of the current year. The treasurer stated the payroll budget for the City is already at \$238,392.00 for the 2023 fiscal year. Another raise given at this time will constitute an amendment to the budget. The mayor suggested the raise be postponed to the beginning of the 2024 budget in January. A motion to increase the hourly pay for police officers from \$16.80 per hour to \$18.00 per hour effective on July payroll was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

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

Mayor

Recorder/Treasurer