

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 2024

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 Saddler, Alderman Johnson and Alderman Breshears.

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

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Sandy Cook. May end of month 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 Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Grounds Supervisor Kenny Brenton reported that the department has been busy raising the canopies on the roads to prevent damage to the top of vehicles. The department has been mowing and patching roads with a large patch on Dorothy Drive.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 31 citizen calls, 2 assists to other agencies, 15 citations, 10 warning citations, 1 alarm answered, 5 accidents, 6 arrests, 13 felonies and misdemeanor reports filed, 1 warrant served and 2 code enforcements. Alderman Breshears asked Chief Howard where the code enforcements were issued. Chief Howard stated there was one on Dorothy Drive and one was on Highway 59.

Fire Chief Cody Cooper reported 1 gas line break, 1 traffic accident and 7 medical calls. The department has acquired 2 probationary firefighters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Pinkerton asked to move the announcement concerning the planning commission to new business because an ordinance is involved. She also asked to add an item to the agenda.

A motion to move the Planning Commission Ordinance to new business and add an item to the agenda was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Saddler. Passed 4-0

The mayor informed the council that an easement agreement had been signed with the Langleys on Dorothy Drive for the street department to do what is necessary to aid in the water flow to prevent further road erosion. Alderman Breshears asked the mayor to obtain an engineer to determine what needs to be done to correct the problem. Mayor Pinkerton stated that both the landowner and the city would need to agree on what needs to be done. Street supervisor Brenton agreed that an engineer's opinion would be good depending on what is agreed upon. He agreed that it might be beneficial to obtain an engineer's opinion. The mayor will contact an engineer.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Citizen Robert Neal informed the mayor that the north side of his property on Dorothy Drive had been trimmed too far into his property and empty water bottles were pushed into the fence. He was not pleased with the trimming and requested that the mess be cleaned up. Mayor Pinkerton informed him she would make sure it was cleaned up.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Johnson asked if tickets were issued by code enforcement for clean-up. Chief Howard stated that tickets had not been issued. Alderman Johnson stated that names were taken at the last clean up dumpster day but none were the ones that were cited. Mayor Pinkerton offered to make copies to be passed out of the forthcoming dumpster days to be distributed to those citizens approached by the Code Enforcement officer. Alderman Breshears asked if copies of the dumpster days could be given to people who were issued warnings by code enforcement.

Mayor Pinkerton asked the council what were their preferences for the disposal of the three Dodge Chargers and the one Durango. Alderman Saddler stated that the information he obtained suggested no less than \$800 for the Durango and \$2000 as top dollar for the Chargers. Mayor Pinkerton voiced her concerns that the Chargers should probably be listed less based on the conditions of the Chargers. Alderman Breshears made a motion to take bids on all four cars with a minimum bid of \$1000 each and the option to reject the bid. The motion was seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

Mayor Pinkerton informed the council that the month to month lease needed to be signed for the road grader. The new lease payment will be \$3790 before taxes. At present there are no other alternatives. A motion to sign the month to month lease was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Pinkerton presented Ordinance # 2024-06-18-01, allowing the City Council to serve as Planning Commission for the City. The previous commissioners resigned and a new set of commissioners were needed. A motion to suspend the reading rule and read by number and title one time only was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Roll call: Alderman Breshears – yes, Alderman Johnson – yes, Alderman Saddler – yes, Alderman Odom – yes. Passed 4-0

A motion to approve Ordinance # 2024-06-18-01 was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

A motion to implement the emergency clause of Ordinance # 2024-06-18-01 was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Saddler. Roll call: Alderman Odom – yes, Alderman Saddler – yes, Alderman Johnson – yes, Alderman Breshears – yes. Passed 4-0

Resolution # 2024-06-18-01, to acquire property rights for the Senior Center was presented by Mayor Pinkerton. The City will exchange the land where the current senior center is housed with a parcel of land more suitable for the center. That parcel is currently owned by Cedarville Schools.

A motion to approve Resolution # 2024-06-18-01 was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

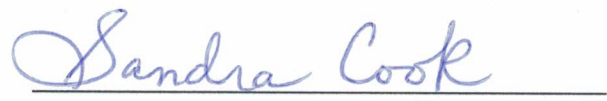
A motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

A motion to return from executive session was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

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



Mayor



Recorder/Treasurer