

CITY OF CEDARVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 17, 2016

The regular monthly City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Mark Isenhower. A moment of silence was followed by the pledge of allegiance. Council members present were Alderman McClendon, Alderman Odom, Alderman Prater and Alderman Breshears.

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

The Financial Report was presented by Treasurer Sandy Cook. She discussed the large disbursements to pay off the fire department loan early (\$24,766.27) and \$866.00 for two dumpsters rented for spring cleanup day. A motion to approve the Financial Reports was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Prater. Passed 4-0

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Street Supervisor Marlin Evans reported replacing culverts and cutting down trees in preparation to chip and seal Cedarville Road. The Millpond Road State Aid Project is complete. The city is taking bids to chip and seal the State Aid Project part of Millpond Road. The access road on Little Webber Lane for travel during days when the low water bridge on Thompson Lane is under water has been completed. The roads are in good condition. The 10 mph sign on Creekside Way will be removed as all city roads are 20 mph.

Police Chief Donnie Threet reported 2 misdemeanor arrests and assisting the State Police on a traffic stop resulting in 2 felony arrests and the recovery of a large amount of money and narcotics. 6 citations were issued for speeding, suspended license and permitting driving without a license. Defense tactics class will be held at Cedarville City Hall on June 16 at 6:00 p.m. The Fort Smith Police Department brought 4 drug dogs to the Cedarville School for a no-notice drug sweep. No drugs were found.

Fire Chief Jesse Hyatt reported 7 first responder calls and 2 fires – one was an assist to District 5 on a brush fire and the second was the result of a control burn. Last meeting Chief Hyatt asked the council for approval to purchase several radios for use in the fire trucks, but there are three different digital formats available for radios. The approval to purchase radios for the Fire Department is on hold until a format is chosen which is compatible with other area agencies. Springdale Fire Department is hosting an online auction of 6 air packs containing 12 bottles and 8 masks with a 3 year life remaining on the bottles. If allowed to bid on these air packs, the fire department would have all uniform air packs. At present the Cedarville Fire Department has a group of mixed-matched brands of air packs that are outdated. Chief Hyatt asked for permission to bid up to \$1700 for the 6 packs. The Mayor decided to ask the council to approve adding this item to the agenda under new business.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Mark Isenhower reported that the Treasurer has been diligently updating the City website. The website now has all meeting minutes, ordinances and resolutions from 1998 when the city was incorporated to the present. The Subdivision regulations are also on the website.

Mayor Isenhower also reported that the City has been approved for \$25,000 in GIF grant money for the Street Department's new shop building. The Cedarville Senior Citizen's Inn was also awarded \$5,000 to reduce utility cost with energy saver windows and application of a roof coating.

The City now owns a 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe. It was purchased from the Bella Vista Police Department by the Prosecuting Attorney's office to be used by the Police Department. It is two wheel drive with approximately 103,000 miles on the odometer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

County Judge John Hall has agreed to partner with the City of Cedarville to chip and seal Cedarville Road. The city will provide the materials and the county will provide the equipment and labor. It will be mid to late June before the project begins. \$144,000 was appropriated in the budget to chip and seal Cedarville Road and pay the city's portion of the Millpond State Aid Project. With the \$25,000 GIF grant combined with the money saved by partnering with the County, the city should be able to provide materials to chip and seal Cedarville Road, chip and seal the State Aid Project portion of Millpond road and have approximately \$58,000 left for the Street Department's new maintenance shop construction.

The city will be placing advertisements in the Van Buren newspaper soliciting sealed bids for the construction of the maintenance shop and to chip and seal the recently completed portion of Millpond Road.

NEW BUSINES

Dr. Dan Foreman, superintendent of Cedarville Schools, requested the city pass a resolution to authorize the Mayor to apply for a COPS Grant to fund a portion of the cost of a school resource officer for the next three years. The grant will provide a percentage each year and the Cedarville Schools will pay the difference if the grant is approved. A motion was made by Alderman Prater and seconded by Alderman McClendon to approve Resolution # 2016-05-17-1 authorizing the Mayor to apply for the COPS Grant to provide for a school resource officer. Passed 4-0

Three estimates had been obtained to apply black wrap and Police Department markings to the 2011 Dodge Charger and make it identical to the two 2008 Dodge Chargers used for patrol. The three estimates were \$2600, \$1600 and \$1100.

A motion was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Odom to accept the \$1100.00 bid from Time Striping, Inc. and pay the invoice from the Cedarville General Reserve Account. Passed 4-0

Disposal of the 2007 Crown Victoria Police car was discussed. Mayor Isenhower stated that the car was donated to the City of Cedarville and he suggested the City donate the car to the City of Mulberry Police Department. A motion was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Odom to donate the 2007 Crown Victoria to the City of Mulberry. Passed 4-0

Police Chief Donnie Threet proposed a Police Department policy for a Citizen Ride-Along Program. Attorney Sean Brister reported it could be a good public relations tool. Riders must be 18 years of age and agree to take no videos or photos. The form presented would have to be revised to include the stipulations. A motion was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears to table the proposal until citizen input could be obtained. Passed 4-0

Alderman McClendon suggested the mayor's spending limit be raised from \$500 to \$1250. Attorney Brister stated the Council could vote to raise the limit but a resolution would have to be passed at the June Council Meeting. A motion to raise the Mayor's spending limit to \$1250 was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

A motion to add a Fire Department item to the agenda was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Fire Chief Hyatt requested permission to bid up to \$1700 for 6 air packs for the fire department. A motion was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman McClendon to allow Chief Hyatt to bid up to \$1701. Passed 4-0

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0



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