

CITY OF CEDARVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
November 15, 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 Odom, Alderman Breshears and Alderman Prater. Alderman McClendon was ill.

A motion to approve the October regular monthly meeting minutes was made by Alderman Prater and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

A motion to accept the October 24th special council meeting minutes was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Prater. Passed 3-0

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Sandy Cook. A motion to approve the November financial report was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Street Supervisor Marlin Evans reported the department had been concentrating on cleaning ditches, culverts and under bridges. Some culverts need replacement. Work will begin on Strawberry Lane to divert the water running off the hillside and place another culvert. The road grader has undergone some repairs and grading will resume when it rains.

Mayor Isenhower reported that Police Chief Donnie Threet has taken a position with the Mountainburg School District. Advertisement for a new chief has been made in the Times Record and the Press-Argus Courier newspapers and three applications have already been received. The closing date for applications is Thursday, November 17. Two citations were reported for no proof of insurance and driving without a license.

Fire Chief Jesse Hyatt reported 6 medical calls, 2 grass fires (one within the city and one to assist District 5). Two volunteers, Cody Cooper and Archie Hyatt III, are attending training to be EMT certified. The area is currently under a burn warning but no ban has been issued.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Isenhower reported that the one cent city sales tax passed. Seventy percent of registered voters in Cedarville voted. The mayor and the council appreciate the confidence of the citizens. Mayor Isenhower also announced the upcoming Christmas Parade to be held on Saturday, December 3rd at 1:00 beginning at the high school and ending with Santa at the Old Rock School building.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Community Appreciation Day was a huge success and cost the city less than \$100. The money raised was to benefit the Cedarville Senior Center and Lodge. The Cedarville Lodge raised approximately \$600 and approximately \$850 was raised for the Cedarville Senior Center. Donations were made by Harps, Pepsi, a vendor for the senior center, and many ladies who baked all the pies, cakes and cookies.

The sewer permit for the maintenance shop has been approved by the Arkansas Health Department. A special meeting to discuss the specifications for bids for the building will be held Thursday, November 17th at 6:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Interviews for a new police chief will be held in the latter part of November and the city anticipates hiring a new chief before December.

The 2017 budget will be presented for approval in December. Discussion was held concerning some council members who may not be present at the regular December council meeting which would negate a quorum. A motion to hold a special council meeting on December 13th to approve the 2017 budget and conduct other city business was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Prater. Passed 3-0


Mayor Isenhower requested input for a city road master plan for the forthcoming sales tax revenue. Alderman Odom suggested beginning with the more populated roads. It was decided to leave this discussion open for a later date.

According to state law, the council must declare any millage increase for the year. The mayor and the council stated they have no interest in imposing a millage.

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Prater. Passed 3-0



Mayor



Recorder/Treasurer