

CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
City Council Minutes
January 17, 2000

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM Monday, January 17, 2000 by Mayor Marjorie Rogers. The meeting was held at City Hall.

ROLL CALL:

Answer Roll Call: Marty Betz, Dan Dennis, Tom Paul, Louisa Relyea, Jay Torbit and Ray Torbit.
Also Present: Susan Maynard, City Clerk/Treasurer and Mark Johnson, City Attorney
Absent: Chuck Bartlett and Roger Radebaugh

MINUTES: Motion to approve the November 22, December 6 and December 8 minutes as corrected was made by Mr. Betz and seconded by Mr. Paul. With a voice vote of six ayes, 0 nays, motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Financial reports were reviewed and will be filed for audit. It was decided to use report format #4, by category, for future financial reports.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

REPORTS:

Airport: No report. Meeting January 19.

Animal Control: No report.

Budget: No report. Special meeting February 1, 2:00 PM at City Hall.

Cable TV: Mr. Dennis reported on the P.O.A. meeting featuring Salem Cablevision and owners, the McCulloughs. Flyers may be sent out, at their expense, to the surrounding four cities. The system would include a local channel and future Internet access.

Census: No additional comments. Ray Torbit will be attending a seminar at the Municipal League January 28.

Committee for Future Building: Mr. Johnson reported he is working on an offer for the old grocery store, \$524,000 to be paid as follows: \$100,000 at closing; and 20 annual payments of \$21,200 starting one year after closing. This is to be a "no interest" loan. We would maintain insurance. Mr. Daggett would like a provision in the contract so he could sell the note to a local bank; also, that he can lease back up to 4,000 sq. ft. of space. Mr. Daggett is now removing grocery store items at his cost, but would like an additional 30 days after closing for entire removal. He would also change the bills of assurance, which takes the approval of other land owners in the subdivision. The revenue stamps expense would be approximately \$1,600. The contract would also include a repair clause of \$25,000, along with several "hold harmless" clauses. The buried LP tank is questionable as to whether it can stay or should be removed and at whose expense. The offer would include a rental price of 40 cents per square foot, up to \$4,000 per month. An additional two cents per square foot raise would be included per year. There was discussion as to who would be liable for the leased area. Daggett Development and its sub-tenants would have their own liability insurance. Lease payments would start upon completion of remodeling or six months after closing. Mr. Johnson will work on our right to approve his sub-tenants. He also suggested the City have a standing committee for the building to act as a liaison with the Council, Planning & Zoning and Daggett Development. We may have to put in a set of restrooms and separate electrical panel for the leased area. Separate electric metering was discussed. Mr. Johnson reported that Mr. Daggett seems to be very interested in working with us. Property taxes were discussed. There would be no S.I.D. fees that Mr. Johnson is aware of.

Emergency Services: Mrs. Relyea reported that Sharp County has completed their paperwork to allow FEMA flood insurance for the county. Now the City can proceed. Mayor Rogers appointed Mrs. Relyea administer of the program. Mrs. Relyea will present a resolution and an ordinance at the February meeting. There is a school she can attend February 7 – 11. We need a way to inform all residents of our emergency preparedness plans, including a list of disaster centers. Possibly a flyer in the paper and on our website.

Environmental: Mr. Betz announced an advertisement for solid waste contractor has been put in the papers with a bid opening January 28 at 11:00 AM. No bid specs have been picked up, but Mrs. Maynard will mail them to the two local haulers. ACE still has the recycling truck at Town Center on Tuesdays. A new loop, "Cardiac Hill", has been added to the Adahi Trail. Mayor Rogers expressed the City's appreciation of Russ Stokes and the P.O.A. Village Pride committee. Mr. Stokes then reported his committee's plans to place 12 banners around the perimeter of the Town Center. Entergy has agreed existing poles could be used, plus they would add three more. The banners (26" x 42") are being done by Signs by Rick for a cost of \$100 per banner. Donations are being accepted. Mrs. Relyea motioned that the City donate \$100 for one sign. Mr. Dennis seconded. With a voice vote of six ayes, 0 nays, motion carried unanimously.

Investigation Committee for Election of S.I.D. Commissioners: Oral Henderson announced the Committee would meet next week to discuss answers received from Attorney Schoen.

Municipal Development and Planning: Jay Torbit announced the next meeting for January 18 at 1:00 PM. The various subcommittees are developing plans. He hopes to be able to present an outline for future development in about four months.

Mr. Henderson asked the Council for authority to make up a P.O.A. subcommittee for Cherokee Village Promotion to report directly to the Council. The committee would have five members: Marion Owens, Bill Tyree, Sharron Mathis, Bob Riederich and himself. They would work on a new brochure to be put together with the help of the City, P.O.A., Daggett Development and area real estate agencies. Mrs. Relyea motioned, seconded by Mr. Dennis, that Mr. Henderson go ahead and form the committee and report monthly to the Council. With a voice vote of six ayes, 0 nays, motion carried unanimously.

Planning and Zoning: Barbara Hrezo reported the Commission is working with Mrs. Relyea on the flood program. The ordinance for business permits is coming along. There was discussion regarding certain residences along the state highway – who restricts access from the highway?

Police and Security: Dan Dennis reported that Senator Lincoln's office has assured him that our grant still looks great. We should be able to receive the total grant. We have been told that announcements would be made January 19 or 24. Discussion regarding having the officers live inside the City or close by. Mr. Dennis requested the Council guarantee a deposit for the officers obtaining rental property. Mr. Betz motioned the Council guarantee a security deposit not to exceed \$400. Mrs. Relyea seconded. Discussion. Mr. Johnson to fine tune a document for such. With a voice vote of six ayes, 0 nays, motion carried unanimously. Mayor Rogers gave credit to Floyd Hannon and Sharp County Judge Harold Crawford for helping to obtain the agreement with S.I.D. to continue with Security.

Roads: Jay Torbit reported he will attempt to set up a meeting with the S.I.D. road committee in February for spring road work. He may propose to rework the intersection at Pottawattamie and Cherokee Road.

Website: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mrs. Rogers asked Mrs. Maynard to read Resolution 2000-01, **A Resolution Adopting an Employee Policies and Procedures Manual for the City of Cherokee Village.** Mrs. Relyea moved to accept the resolution. Marty Betz seconded. Discussion and correction of typos. With a roll call vote of six ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Maynard passed out a schedule of 2000 Council meetings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thursday, January 20, 10:30 AM; S.I.D. meeting, Omaha Center
Tuesday, February 1, 2:00 PM; Special budget meeting, City Hall.
Monday, February 7, 2:00 PM; Working Session, City Hall
Monday, February 14, Sharp Co. Quorum Court; 6:00 PM, Ash Flat
Monday, February 14, Fulton Co. Quorum Court; 7:00 PM, Salem
Monday, February 21, 2:00 PM; POA Meeting with S.I.D, Omaha Center
Monday, February 21, Regular Council Meeting; 2:00 PM, City Hall, Office closed.

Discussion about changing our regular council meeting which falls on the same day and time as the P.O.A./S.I.D. meeting. Mr. Paul motioned to keep our meeting as scheduled. Jay Torbit seconded. With a voice vote of six ayes, 0 nays, motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motioned to adjourn was made by Mrs. Relyea and seconded by Dan Dennis.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM.

DATE: February 21, 2000

APPROVED: Marjorie A Rogers
Marjorie Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST: Susan E Maynard
Susan E. Maynard, Clerk/Treasurer

