

**CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS**  
**City Council Minutes**  
**Working Session**  
**March 6, 2000**

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM Monday, March 6, 2000 by Mayor Marjorie Rogers. The meeting was held at City Hall.

**ROLL CALL:**

Answer Roll Call: Chuck Bartlett, Marty Betz, Dan Dennis, Tom Paul, Roger Radebaugh, Louisa Relyea and Ray Torbit.

Also Present: Susan Maynard, City Clerk/Treasurer and Mark Johnson, City Attorney

Absent: Jay Torbit

**MINUTES:** Mayor Rogers asked Aldermen to look over minutes from February 21 and call Mrs. Maynard with any corrections.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Bank Reconciliation statements were given to the Aldermen for their review.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter from Pioneer Auction regarding its appreciation for the protection our new police department is giving them.

**REPORTS:**

**Budget:** Mr. Radebaugh asked that the committee director's turn in a "budget need" worksheet so an "actual expense comparison to budget" can be set up.

**Police and Security:** Dan Dennis reported that fortunately there is nothing serious going on, only routine matters. Chief Smith is pleased with his staff. The officers are getting familiar with the roads and residents. They are now working on the auxiliary force. A person has been found who is a trained officer and will work voluntarily and independently under the Chief's supervision. S.I.D. and surrounding communities have been very cooperative with the officers. There was discussion of having Sharp County prisoners pick up trash along the roads. Oral Henderson from the audience said that the various clubs in the Village are doing a good job of cleaning up the roadways now. Larry Cross is working Tuesdays and Thursdays preparing reports and doing misc. office work for the Police Dept. A third cruiser has been purchased and is in service. Chief Smith prepared a report of February business, and it was suggested we publish this report.

**Building Committee:** There will be a public hearing on March 14 at 2:00 PM at City Hall for the public to air their opinions of this purchase. There will be a final vote on the purchase at the March 20 meeting, then the closing, and then we can start plans with the architect.

**Planning & Zoning:** The Commission has been working on the business permit ordinance, garage sale ordinance, flood program and building permit fees. They will be working the Home & Garden Show March 17 - 18, presenting "Bright Spots of the Month", building permit information, etc. They are also working on the Commission's objectives for 2000.

**Environmental:** Mr. Betz has asked the Water Company for a list of its customers to give I.E.S.I. as a list of customers for mandatory garbage pickup. The Committee has been checking various lists for correct addresses for sending informational letters. Much discussion regarding mailing costs. Mr.

Johnson suggested the Contractor add a statement on the bills as they are sent out so we don't have to send letters to all residents. Mr. Dennis recommended that Mr. Betz go ahead with what his Committee had planned.

**Census:** Ray Torbit went to the Jonesboro Census Center. He learned the City can't have forms at City Hall. Forms cannot be forwarded. The forms not delivered are returned and people will go out to the houses personally. We can record names, addresses and phone #'s of people who call City Hall saying they didn't receive a form.

**Emergency:** Mrs. Relyea met with a FEMA representative at City Hall for six hours. The Committee has lots of maps to go over.

**Street:** Mrs. Rogers reported that Jay Torbit has resigned from the Street Department and also the Municipal Development Committee. She has appointed Ray Maynard as Director of the Street Dept.

**Personnel Committee:** Mr. Radebaugh is establishing this committee and asked for volunteers having personnel experience.

**Investigation Committee for Election of S.I.D. Commissioners:** Oral Henderson has met with State Representative Boyd Hickinbotham and the Arkansas Municipal League. The S.I.D. Commission would like a copy of the Committee's minutes, but declined to have a delegate on the committee.

**Cherokee Village Promotion:** Mr. Henderson reported that KAIT-TV is completing its proposal from promoting Cherokee Village. The Committee is looking into the preparation of a new brochure. A sub-committee has been formed, comprised of Bob Evins, Ron Rhodes, Keith Darner and David Cox. A letter has been sent to various other clubs to share in the cost of this brochure. This will promote Cherokee Village as a whole, not just the businesses. He has asked POA President Jahnke to make application for "Volunteer Community of 2000".

**Website:** Mr. Henderson is talking with other individuals to be our Webmaster as Mr. Phipps has been unavailable.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mayor Rogers had Mrs. Maynard read the second reading of **An Ordinance prescribing and establishing a permit and code to do business with the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas; to levy an annual occupation fee for the carrying on of certain business, trades, occupations, industries, vocations, callings and professions within the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas; establishing the time when such fee shall be paid, collection and enforcement thereof; provide supervision and regulation for the welfare and future development of the business community of the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas; and for other purposes.** Mrs. Rogers asked for discussion and Mrs. Hrezo answered the council's questions. A paragraph and some wording were removed, and a sentence added. A motion was made by Mrs. Relyea to approve the first reading. Mr. Radebaugh seconded the motion. With a roll call vote of seven ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

There was discussion on making a resolution to present at the Municipal League Convention in June regarding the "\$4,000 Problem".

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mrs. Rogers asked Mrs. Maynard to read Resolution 2000-05, **A Resolution Allowing the City of Cherokee Village to Join the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System.** Mr. Betz moved

to accept the resolution. Mr. Bartlett seconded. Discussion. With a roll call vote of seven ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Mayor Rogers reported receiving a ruling from the Arkansas State Attorney General regarding easements and/or street right-of-ways. Mr. Johnson is looking it over. It will be faxed to Mr. Zimmerman of the Municipal League, along with a copy of a Bills of Assurance.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Tuesday, March 7 – Election of District 31 Senator
- Monday, March 13, Sharp Co. Quorum Court; 6:00 PM, Ash Flat
- Monday, March 13, Fulton Co. Quorum Court; 7:00 PM, Salem
- Monday March 13, 2:00 PM; POA Meeting – City to give program
- Monday, March 20, Regular Council Meeting; 2:00 PM, City Hall
- Monday, March 27, Tri-County 911/Jail; 7:00 PM, Ash Flat Courthouse

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motioned to adjourn was made by Mr. Bartlett and seconded by Mr. Dennis. With a voice vote of seven ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

**Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.**

DATE: March 20, 2000

APPROVED: Marjorie Rogers  
Marjorie Rogers, Mayor

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