

CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS

City Council Minutes

May 7, 2001

The regular semi-monthly meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM Monday, May 7, 2001 by Mayor Marjorie Rogers. The meeting was held at City Hall.

ROLL CALL:

Answer Roll Call: Chuck Bartlett, Marty Betz, Dewey Dark, Scott Paul, Tom Paul, Louisa Relyea and Jack Stroup.

Also Present: Susan Maynard, City Clerk/Treasurer

Absent: Ray Torbit and Tom Garner, City Attorney

MINUTES: The April 23 minutes were passed out for review. Mr. Bartlett asked Mrs. Maynard if she could distribute the minutes as soon as possible after the meetings as we now have two regular meetings a month.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ray Maynard, Director of the Roads Committee said they are waiting for the ordinance to be passed so they can formulate their workload. He also reported he had not heard from the S.I.D. as to the joint roads meeting.

Mrs. Rogers asked Mrs. Maynard to read the second reading of **An Ordinance to establish a street department for the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas, and to prescribe the duties for said members of the street department.** Mayor Rogers declared the Ordinance open for discussion. Discussion. Mr. Stroup moved to accept the ordinance. Mrs. Relyea seconded the motion. With a roll call vote of seven ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Mayor Rogers said the Cherokee Village Promotion Committee is going fine. David Cox is Director with Wally Schultz as Treasurer. Mr. Schultz addressed the Council and asked for the balance of our \$5,000 pledge. A motion was made by Mr. Betz to authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to distribute the balance of the \$5,000 pledge (\$1,424.50) to the Cherokee Village Promotion Committee as soon as they request it. Mr. Bartlett seconded the motion. Discussion. With a roll call vote of five ayes, one nay (Tom Paul) and one abstention (Mrs. Relyea), motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Rogers said our "\$4,000 Problem" is now a "\$500" problem. She is looking into the resolution that was made at the Municipal League Convention last year in regards to this so it can be put back on the docket for this year. She is sending letters to approximately ten mayors and clerk/treasurers in cities with a large population increase. They were told this would never happen again. Of the 449 cities in the state, 339 had an increase in population and four were unchanged.

Mayor Rogers asked Wally Schultz, Municipal Court Bailiff, to report on the auditor's findings of the Court. He said many changes are being implemented to start the court out right. Mrs. Rogers asked the Council to recognize the following positions of the Court: Dora Lee Schaffert, Court Clerk; Wally Schultz, Joyce Schultz and Joan Romans, Deputy Court Clerks. Mr. Schultz will attend a municipal court seminar May 17-19. Mr. Schultz also told of the need to file an exemption with the State so the Police Dept. does not have to duplicate his duties. A motion was made to allow Mr. Schultz to file for this exception to eliminate the Police Dept. from the duties of collecting bonds and fines by Mr. Bartlett. Mrs. Relyea seconded the motion. With a voice vote of seven ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Mrs. Maynard was given a web address for municipal audit reports. It is <http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us>. Click on Staff Organization link. Click on Division of Legislative Audit link. Click on Audit Reports. Select Agency type. Any organization which the state audits should have a report on this site.

Mayor Rogers told of the different cities that are looking into lots that have been turned back to the state due to unpaid taxes. She said there would again be a resolution put before the Municipal League to look into getting these lots back on the books. She has appointed Mr. Stroup to research our situation. He will also contact Oklahoma, Tennessee, Alabama and Kentucky to see how those states deal with this.

Mrs. Relyea reported that Tracey Webb, Highland School District teacher, has done an excellent job with her class for National Flood Awareness Week. They have been recognized by FEMA. Mrs. Relyea asked that the City send a congratulatory letter to her.

Mrs. Relyea also said that Dr. Relyea is very concerned with the disposition of used medical needles. Rod Smith of I.E.S.I. is working up a program to ease the collection of these needles.

A motion was made by Mrs. Relyea for the City to compose a letter of thanks to the Cherokee Village Promotion Committee, past and present members, signed by the City Council. Mr. Betz seconded the motion. With a voice vote of seven ayes, 0 nays, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bartlett asked if Mr. Garner was working on our annexing the "islands" within our city limits. Mrs. Rogers confirmed he is.

Mr. Larry Kisse, Ash Flat ADA Director, will make a presentation at our next meeting.

Mrs. Relyea reported that FEMA checked with her after the earthquake of May 4. She then checked with S.I.D., and they had checked the dams - all OK.

Announcements:

Thursday, May 10, Noon; CVBA Luncheon, Elks Club
Thursday, May 10, 1:00 PM; Municipal Court Plea Day, City Hall
Monday, May 14, 6:00 PM; Sharp Co. Quorum Court, Ash Flat Courthouse
Monday, May 14, 7:00 PM; Fulton Co. Quorum Court, Salem Courthouse
Monday, May 21, 2:00 PM; Council Meeting, City Hall
Thursday, May 24, 9:00 AM; Municipal Court Trial Day, City Hall
Monday, May 28; MEMORIAL DAY, OFFICE CLOSED

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 3:03 PM.

DATE: May 21, 2001

APPROVED: Marjorie Rogers
Marjorie Rogers, Mayor

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