

**CITY COUNCIL
CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
MINUTES
20 MAY 2002**

Mayor Marjorie Rogers convened the bi-weekly city council meeting in Cherokee Village City Hall on 20 MAY 2002 at 2:03 p.m. The Mayor led the council and the public in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and then called for a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Bartlett; Betz; Dark; Paul, S; Paul, T; Relyea; Stroup; Torbit, R
ABSENT: Maynard, Susan; Clerk/Treas.
ATTENDING: City Attorney Tom Garner
Recorder/Acting: Bob Lauer

Due to staff restructuring subsequent to a staff vacancy, Recorder Joan Romans was unable to record the minutes.

MINUTES

Minutes of the 7 MAY 2002 meeting were not available. They will be presented for approval at the meeting on 3 JUN 2002.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Mayor distributed the April financial report to council and recommended that if council has questions about the report to address same to Clerk/Treasurer upon her return.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

REPORTS

Airport & Roads: None (Ray Maynard absent)

Animal Control: None

Emergency Preparedness: Councilor Relyea announced that Flood Plain maps for the Village are in progress at PBS&I.

Environmental: Councilor Betz advised that the IESI contract is due for renewal on 1 JUL 2002. If anyone has any input, they should refer them to Betz prior to the deadline.

Municipal Development: Councilor Paul, Tom, reported that the Committee's agenda for the last meeting was tabled due to inadequate attendance. He also reported that Cherokee Village Concerned Citizen Arnold Morris presented six issues that need review to ensure the Quality of Life for Cherokee Village residents. The next meeting is scheduled for 11 JUN 2002 in City Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Planning & Zoning: Councilor Bartlett and Mayor Rogers jointly announced that Dawana Goings, reporter, Villager-Journal, is preparing a newspaper article detailing some of the committee's endeavors.

Police: Councilor Torbit reported that the committee approved a take-home policy for police vehicles and that one of the new model cars would be on display following the meeting. Policy purpose is to ensure that the vehicles are properly maintained. An officer who volunteered for the duty will conduct weekly inspections.

Roads: Road Supt. Ray Maynard arrived at 2:37 p.m. and reported that the Road Committee is negotiating with CV SID Dist. 1 to assume responsibility for the roads. Negotiations are stalled for lack of adequate compensation by SID.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS

AMENDMENT

The Mayor announced that a draft amendment to the Special Use Permit for Signs was distributed to the council for review. Council members who have additions, corrections, deletions or modifications regarding the issue should make them known to the Planning and Zoning Committee.

RESOLUTION: White River Health Systems

Following a reading of the resolution, discussion ensued. Representatives of White River Medical Center were on hand for the discussion. WRMC members present were Gary Bebow, hospital administrator, Joe Walls, community sales representative and Les Fremesley, hospital chairman of the board. Ms. C. Hall was on hand to represent Eastern Ozarks Regional Health Systems Hospital, Cherokee Village. The resolution was amended and approved, unanimously, by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION: Establishing Minimum Amount for Equipment Purchases

Resolution 2002-02 was read. Motion to approve made by Betz, seconded by Relyea. Resolution approved unanimously by roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A concerned citizen posed an inquiry regarding new Village construction that would include a post office. Council denied knowledge of this information being factual. Several other 'rumor-type' issues were presented and discarded.

Councilor Dark left the meeting at 3:13 p.m.

The Mayor advised that Senator Blanche Lincoln's administrative assistant, Cherokee's own Jonathan Rhodes, had called to advise that the Senator's office might be able to provide impetus to the city's attempt to improve the physical facility at the Cherokee Village Post Office.

City Attorney Tom Garner advised that an inaccurate survey of the thirty acres the city is proposing to purchase should be given further review. The present property description needs precision regarding roadway access to the property. With the concurrence of the Mayor, Garner will discuss the situation with the bank to gain assurance that access is available.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, 21 MAY 02: voting, City Hall, 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. for Sharp County residents of Cherokee Village. Fulton County residents will vote at Omaha Center.

District Court, Thursday, 23 MAY 02, City Hall

Kiwanis Breakfast, City Hall parking lot, Saturday, 25 MAY 02, 6:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Memorial Day, Monday, 27 MAY 02, City Hall closed

Cherokee Village Business Association, Community Flea Market, south entrance, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Booths available for a ten-dollar (\$10.00) fee

No Farmers' Market, Saturday, 25 MAY

Jerry Gray, FEMA representative, will be at City Hall on 13 JUN 02, 2 p.m.

All political signs (Councilor Bartlett's announcement) are to be removed within seven (7) days following an election; candidates involved in a run off election are exempt. This regulation is part of a proposed amendment to be read at the next city council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn. Councilor Bartlett so moved. Councilor Relyea seconded.

After one hour, twenty-four minutes and fifty-four seconds, the meeting adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

DATED: June 3, 2002

APPROVED: Marjorie A. Rogers
Marjorie A. Rogers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan E. Maynard
Susan Maynard, Clerk/Treas.