

**CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS**

**City Council Minutes**

**September 9, 2002**

The semi-monthly meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM Monday, September 9, 2002 by Mayor Marjorie Rogers. The meeting was held at City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

Also Present: Susan Maynard, City Clerk/Treasurer and Tom Garner, City Attorney

Absent: None

**MINUTES:** Motion to approve the July 15, 2002 minutes as transcribed was made by Mrs. Relyea and seconded by Mr. Stroup. With a voice vote of eight ayes, 0 nays, motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

Gary Langston gave a presentation of his artwork to the public. Part of the proceeds received from his Southwestern art are donated to various Indian tribes.

Tom Paul announced the September 10 Municipal Development meeting will be cancelled, and the next one will be the regular October meeting.

Mayor Rogers announced the Specialty Committee has been dissolved for now.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

City/S.I.D. Road Agreement

A copy of the latest amended agreement was handed out to officials for review. It was stated that the lien papers had not been prepared, but if S.I.D. cannot get one set up or the bank won't release the funds, the contract is null and void.

Mr. Bartlett asked if the small tools (chain saws, etc.) would be relinquished. Jimmie Chandler, S.I.D. manager, said no, that they would still be needed for golf course maintenance, but they would be available in the case of an emergency.

Ray Torbit stated the basic comment he had received from the public was "we're crazy if we take 13%."

Tom Paul has heard people say we need to go ahead. Thirteen percent is probably all we'll get, and S.I.D. needs the money for Parks and Recreation. Without cooperation, we have nothing. Mr. Betz echoed same.

Dick Gammie, Road Committee member from the audience, expressed his feelings that 15% could be more equal between our wanting 22% and S.I.D.'s first offer of 8%.

Hobie Weisman, from the audience, wanted to clarify what would happen if the lien doesn't go through. Mr. Garner said the agreement would be void, and S.I.D. would have to take back the maintenance of the roads.

Kevin King, S.I.D. attorney, said that yes, S.I.D. would still have some liability.

Villager Journal representative, Dwana Goings, asked that the agreement be read so the audience would some knowledge of it. Mrs. Maynard complied.

Tom Paul read from a prepared statement, then made a motion to accept the agreement as presented. Mr. Betz seconded the motion. Mr. Torbit stated he felt Scott and Tom Paul should refrain from voting as they have been leasing the Marina since 1986. Tom Paul asked the attorneys for their opinions. Mr. Garner said he didn't see how they would directly benefit from this. Mr. King voiced the same opinion. It was a personal contract and therefore should have no ethical restraints. Mr. Garner asked if S.I.D. had threatened them in any way to take away their lease. Tom Paul replied, "no." Mr. Torbit thanked the attorneys for their clarifications. With a role call vote of seven ayes, one nay, motion passed.

Mr. Dark wanted to make clear to the public that we have adopted the agreement now, but we will have no money in 2003 for road maintenance.

Scott Paul suggested selling at auction the old equipment that needed to be replaced and get new. Mayor Rogers agreed that may be a good idea, and was something to think about.

Mr. Bartlett said now that we had approved the agreement, he wanted to read from a prepared statement (attached), basically saying that S.I.D. was in deep financial difficulty, and if anyone had a question, to attend the S.I.D. meeting September 19 at 10:30 AM at Omaha Center. He feels that S.I.D. should be more accountable to the property owners.

Tom Hrezo stated he and Mr. Garner had researched the public's question about whether the City was required to get a sewer system. They could find no mention of anything like that in the Arkansas Code.

Mr. Bartlett reminded all political candidates that signs could only be put out from September 21 through November 12, unless they were involved in a run-off election.

Mrs. Goings asked that the Council outline what criteria needed to be met to have a question answer at a meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Betz announced his committee's plans for the Keep Arkansas Beautiful, Great Arkansas Cleanup. The Kiwanis kicked it off by cleaning two miles of Iroquois Dr. More will be don't in late October. Dump sites will be cleaned up, and he is trying to get Village Pride and other organizations involved. They can use a lot of help.

Sues' Notes:

Statements of Financial Interest must be turned into the City Clerk's office by October 4.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Monday, September 9, 6:00 PM; Sharp Co. Quorum Court, Ash Flat Courthouse  
Monday, September 9, 7:00 PM; Fulton Co. Quorum Court, Salem Courthouse  
Wednesday, September 11, Noon; Patriot Day remembrance, Town Center  
Thursday, September 12, 9:00 AM; District Court Plea Day, City Hall  
Thursday, September 12, Noon; CVBA, Loujo's Deli  
Friday, September 13, 2:30 – 4:30; Gov. Huckabee reception, City Hall  
Saturday, September 14, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM; Arts on the Hill, Fountain Place  
Wednesday, September 18, 7:00 PM; Sharp Co. Regional Airport Authority meeting, Airport  
Saturday, September 21, 8:00 AM; H.E.A.R.T. Pet Adoption, City Hall parking lot  
Saturday, September 21, 5:00 PM; SRACC Banquet, Arkansas Traveler Dinner Theatre  
Monday, September 23, 2:00 PM; Council Meeting, City Hall  
Thursday, September 26, 9:00 AM; District Court Trial Day, City Hall  
Friday, Saturday & Sunday, September 27-29, C.V. Players presents two one-act plays, Playhouse  
Saturday, September 28; Three-man scramble golf tournament  
Barbara Blough announced the CVBA's Octoberfest of October 26. Call 257-3095 for booth space before October 18.

Senior Citizen's Center open every Monday and Wednesday, 11 – 3,  
unless otherwise noted; lunch at 11:30 AM, Thunderbird Center.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motioned to adjourn was made by Mr. Bartlett and seconded by Mrs. Relyea. With a voice vote of eight ayes, 0 nays, motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM.

DATE: September 23, 2002

APPROVED: Marjorie Rogers  
Marjorie Rogers, Mayor

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