

CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 15, 2007

The Honorable Mayor Lloyd Hefley called the regular monthly meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 P. M., Thursday, February 15, 2007.

Mayor Hefley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Endrihs called the roll:

Present: Peter Martin, VernaMae Newman, Petr Oberding, Tom Thone, Kent Viers and Russ Stokes.

Absent: Scott Paul and Angie Petersen.

Also Present: Attorney Abele and Clerk/Treasurer Phyllis Endrihs

AGENDA: The agenda was accepted as printed.

Mayor Hefley introduced two new City employees: Elizabeth Keel of Planning & Zoning and Ellen Repar of District Court.

PUBLIC COMMENTS None.

Ruth Reynolds, Energy Conservation, gave a talk on twin problems within the City (global warming and the use of oil). After discussion, Mayor Hefley asked Reynolds to prepare a written report and present it to the Council for review.

MINUTES: After discussion, a motion was made by Viers and seconded by Newman to remove the wording "and no checks may be paid out in January until a new budget has been approved" from the Minutes of January 18, 2007. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT: No report was available at this time. Clerk/Treasurer Endrihs stated that she was working with Little Rock to complete all necessary reports. Martin questioned the fact that all 2006 adjustments needed to finish within 60 days after the New Year. After discussion, Martin made a motion seconded by viers that the Treasurer's report be placed on hold. Clerk/Treasurer Endrihs stated that she would call

the Municipal League regarding the timeliness question. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE: A thank you note was received from the Spay and Neuter Clinic for the bottled water and soda.

REPORTS:

Fire Department: Chief Taylor reported the Department responded to 19 calls; 206 hours for firefighters training. Report on file.

In answer to Newman's question re the signs for his new truck, Chief Taylor indicated that these signs would be placed on the windows and not the body of the truck.

Planning & Zoning: Mayor Hefley submitted the names he recommended for the Commission with one alternate. Motion made by Newman and seconded by Thone to accept the names submitted. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Martin made a motion to restructure the Commission so that there would be one member from each Ward.; thus affording equal representation. Seconded by Newman. A roll call vote was taken: Newman-yes; Martin-yes; Oberding-no; Thone-no, Stokes-abstain, Viers-no. The motion did not pass. Report on file.

Police Department: Chief Goodwin informed the Council that the Animal Control Officer resigned. The Department is advertising at this time to refill the position. Martin made a motion to transfer phones after hours to central dispatch. Seconded by Newman. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Report on file.

Street Department: Mayor Hefley gave the report in the absence of Jimmie Cherry recommending G. C. Brown & Associates, Inc. do weed spraying and tree trimming. After discussion, Martin made a motion seconded by Viers to approve the spraying and trimming. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Hefley recommended that Chuck Bartlett be added to the Street Department Committee. Viers made a motion to place Bartlett on the Road Committee, seconded by Stokes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ACE, Strategic Planning Committee: Cy Bertram encouraged people to take an interest in the Area Development Program. City limits sign will be moved. Report on file.

NEW BUSINESS:

Thone made a motion seconded by Oberding to send a memorial gift to Peace Lutheran Church of Cherokee Village in memory of Angie Petersen's husband, Dennis. After discussion, Martin reminded the Council that City money couldn't be used for this purpose. Council members did not vote on this motion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: As published on the Agenda.

Meeting was adjourned.

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APPROVED: Floyd T. Lefley, 3-15-2007

ATTEST: Phyllis J. Endrich, 3-15-2007