

City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 21, 2007

In the Courtroom of the Cherokee Village City Hall, Mayor Lloyd Hefley called the regular meeting of the Cherokee Village City Council to order at 7 P.M.

Mayor Hefley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Hefley asked for a roll call. City Clerk Endrihs called the roll. Present were Council members Oberding, Thone, Viers, Stokes, Newman, Paul, and Martin. Petersen was absent. A quorum was present. City Attorney Abele was present. A roster of others in attendance is filed with the minutes.

Agenda: Newman made a motion to adopt the agenda as printed. Seconded by Viers. Motion carried.

Minutes: Paul moved that we accept the May 17th minutes; seconded by Martin. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Hefley reported that he had attended the Arkansas Municipal summer Conference in Hot Springs, June 13-15, 2007.

A public meeting regarding the hospital situation was held in City Hall on Tuesday, June 19th at 2:00 PM.

The Mayor indicated that the City was due to receive an additional \$6.75 per capita in turnback funds sometime this summer.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Endrihs reported that she and Verna Mae Newman also attended the ARML meeting. She also plans to attend an IRS tax meeting in Huntsville, AR on June 26th.

Financials: Request was made by Council to have the printed reports ready for pick up the Friday before Council meeting. Attempt will be made to comply.

Correspondence: None.

Reports:

Police: Chief Goodwin reported 66 citation totals by violation for the previous month. Report is on file. He then introduced Shane Hightower, the City's new police officer.

Animal Control: In absence of Billy Hamrick, the Mayor reported on the status of animal control. He indicated that the city had acquired the old Cooper property on Route 289 across from I.E.S.I. With the help of street and fire department employees, the land has been cleared and the barn is being fixed to house animals. This alone will save the Boarding Kennel charges. Hopefully, the other

cities in the Quad City area will come in on this arrangement. Volunteers will be needed to man the location. Still in working state. Discussion followed as Martin raised the question of lack of previous information given to Council before work began. The mayor replied that the only outlay of money was in wages to city workers.

Fire Department: Chief Taylor reported that his department had responded to 16 calls during the month of May; firefighters trained for a total of 256 hours on various subjects; and the volunteers trained for 2 hours on Apparatus and 2 hours on Forcible Entry. Report on file.

Thone complimented Chief Taylor and his department for coming to the assistance of a neighbor who had fallen and needed help getting up.

In response to questions on the new heat/air system, Chief Taylor replied that he had sent out 5 bids and received 4 back. Cost ranges from \$20,286 - \$27,368 which does not include the digging of trenches to install the pipe. The employees of Street and Fire will be doing this which will save in outlay of funds for outsiders to do the work. After checking out with previous customers, number of service calls, etc., the Chief has decided to go with Richard's Heating & Cooling who can start immediately following completion of the digging. Motion made by Paul to go ahead; second by Martin; unanimously carried.

Street Department: Jimmie Cherry reported on the work that has been accomplished by his department. Things are going on schedule. Report on file.

Planning & Zoning – Joe Clark reported that the number of remodeling construction permits issued had risen considerably over 2006. Report on file. DeLoach responded to questions raised on local construction including Parlago. He also indicated that there are no plans to allow the building of styrofoam homes in the Village at this time. The materials must first be approved by the International Code Council; and if approved, it will be up to the City to decide whether or not to go ahead with such construction.

ACE Committee: Cy Bertram indicated that he needed volunteers. It appears that only he and Pam Lueders are at the meetings. Please let him know.

Budget Committee: Alderman VernaMae Newman, Budget Chairman, presented a revised budget in which she explained the changes and reasons for them. She then moved for acceptance. Voice vote taken: Ayes – Oberding, Thone, Viers, Paul, Stokes; Martin abstained. Motion carried.

Old Business:

The Mayor reported that someone would be in from the phone company next week to give an update on replacing the whole phone system.

Regarding the hospital situation – the Mayor indicated that he, other local area mayors and interested citizens were invited to a meeting in Little Rock July 2nd to discuss plans of moving forward.

New Business:

In 2005, Ordinance No. 2005-05 was passed to remove the section from Ordinance No. 99-04 regarding an Animal Control Officer as there no longer was one. However, since we now have a full time animal control officer, it was necessary to repeal Ordinance No. 2005-05 and return to Ordinance No. 99-04. It was unanimously agreed to suspend the rules in reading Ordinance No. 2007-04. After reading the title alone, the Council unanimously passed Ordinance No. 2007-04 – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO.2005-05 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO EXIST.

* Oberding requested to be put on the agenda re the Par Largo event. Since this was omitted from the minutes, they were not approved until a motion was made at the July meeting. Oberding moved that when ever any event is planned within the city of Cherokee village for 100-300 or more individuals, that the mayor be notified of such event in advance. Motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Public Comments:

Since most of the discussion had already taken place, there were no more public comments.

Adjournment: Paul moved that meeting be adjourned; seconded by Martin; unanimously carried.

DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____
Lloyd Hefley, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Phyllis J. Endrihs, Clerk/Treasurer

*Motion made at July 19th meeting.

