

**CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE  
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL WORKING MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2009  
6:30 P.M.**

The Honorable Mayor Lloyd Hefley called the Cherokee Village City Council working meeting to order at approximately 6:30 P.M.

Mayor Hefley led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Clerk Endrihs called roll. Present were: Peter Martin, Lynn Maxedon, VernaMae Newman, Angie Petersen, Billie Shelton, Russ Stokes, and Tom Thone. Absent was Ray Torbit. Also present was Attorney Jon Abele.

Kevin Gorsky, Membership Coordinator, Air Evac Lifeteam, then presented the Air Evac program to the Council. He wanted to give the city the opportunity to sign up themselves, family, etc. He explained the details in that if we can sign up 50 or more, then the rate will be \$10 less than originally paid per person. It can be deducted from pay, paid by the city, partially paid by city, can include families; what ever way we want to go. Air Evac is the way to go if time is short. The nearest hospital to fly to would depend on the diagnosis, shortest distance, weather conditions. Memphis and Springfield right now have #1 Cardiac Units and Little Rock will be next. Mayor Hefley thanked Kevin and his employer Jack Bates, and said we would get back to them.

Regarding a vote concerning the deer hunt, Attorney Abele said that as long as the meeting was advertised and a quorum was present, a vote could be taken. The reason for the vote was that the ballot used last year did not indicate a hunt for more than one year. The Fish and Game Commission indicates that it takes 3-5 years to make an impact on deer population. Discussion followed. Maxedon moved that the deer hunt be continued this year in the same manner as it was done last year; seconded by Thone. Roll call was taken. YES votes – Newman, Martin, Petersen, Stokes, Thone and Maxedon; Shelton abstained. Motion passed.

Regarding the mandatory training courses offered by the State Emergency Management Agency, Newman and Stokes have completed their tests and gave directions on procedures to follow. Aldermen need to take #100 and #700. Mayor Hefley, Clerk Endrihs, police officers and firemen have to take a 32 hour course being offered in varioust locations at different times.

DeLoach approached Council with the possibility of purchasing the 2007 Fire Department truck for use by the Code Enforcement Officer as the present car is on its last legs. The truck is 4-wheel drive; and has one year left on warranty. Much discussion followed. Motion was made by Maxedon that we purchase the truck from the Fire Department for \$12,000 to be used by the Code Enforcement Officer 2 and ½ days a week and by the PD or city the rest of the week. It would be good to have especially in

winter weather; seconded by Stokes. Roll call was taken: YES votes: Newman, Petersen, Stokes, Maxedon. NO votes: Martin, Shelton and Thone.

Crayne reported that he had received only one bid regarding paving certain streets. It was from Atlas Asphalt and price was within the range figured on by the Street Department - \$130,000. Thone moved that we accept the bid; Martin seconded. Roll call was taken: YES votes: Newman, Martin, Shelton, Petersen, Stokes, Thone and Maxedon. Motion passed.

More discussion followed on the A&P tax. It was suggested that an ordinance be prepared regarding rental property that would have enough "teeth" in it to make any landlord responsible for the safety of his/her rental property. If a list of all renters could be obtained, an ordinance indicating a safety inspection periodically by the fire department to check on smoke alarms, etc would be effective and also give a list of who should be paying this tax. Much work needs yet to be done on this.

An ordinance is also needed on the number of dogs allowed in a home or chained in the yard.

Stokes motioned that meeting be adjourned at 8:10 PM. Unanimously approved.

DATE:

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lloyd Hefley, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phyllis J. Endrihs, Clerk/Treasurer