

**CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2010**

The Honorable Lloyd Hefley called the meeting of the City Council to order at approximately 6:30 PM, Thursday, October 21, 2010. He then led in the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silent prayer.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Newman moved that Agenda be accepted; seconded by Torbit and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: There were none.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 6, 2010 MINUTES – Martin moved that these minutes be accepted as presented; seconded by Torbit and unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None at this time.

AIRPORT: Gary Harris was present to answer questions re the Air Show of last month. He indicated that construction work is underway at the airport. He further added that a letter had been sent out to the Mayor and Aldermen explaining the Air Show.. Since no one has yet received this letter, Mayor Hefley asked Mr. Harris if he could come back for the next meeting. Mr. Harris agreed.

WEB PAGE PRESENTATION – Jody Shackelford from Shackelford Media, arrived later as he was going by the former starting schedule of 7:00 PM; however, with the help of Terry Romans, his video and the provided computer equipment was set up for a presentation of his new web page for the consideration of the council.. He made an excellent presentation of what could be done for the City of Cherokee Village for both growth and information and handed out paperwork to each council member which explained in more detail the costs, etc. As this is budget time, the Budget Committee will look it over and go from there. Jody was thanked and will be notified after a decision is made.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Martin questioned Romans regarding Line Item 20 “Advertising” and how he covered the over budget amount. Romans had previously mailed this information to all the Aldermen; but explained that he had moved “Ozark Gateway” charge from “Advertising” to “Publishing” and the cost of producing area maps was moved from “Advertizing” to “Municipal Planning and Development.” He further added that the money within the Administration Department; so changes could be made if warranted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE – Chief Taylor reported that his Department had responded to 12 calls during September. The Firefighters trained for 214 hours on various subjects and the Volunteers trained for 2 hours on Protective Equipment and 2 hours on Rescue. (Report on file) Chief Taylor indicated that a “Burn Ban” was in effect until further notice for both Fulton and Sharp Counties.

POLICE – Chief reported that 61 Citations by Violation were issued and there were 65 Primary Offenses. (Report on file) Newman asked if anything was new regarding the drug problem. Chief Crook indicated that so far it has not changed much at all.

ANIMAL CONTROL – Chief Crook reported that 21 was the total number of intakes with 17 being Strays/Surrenders, 1 Owner relinquish and 3 from Ozark Acres. Fourteen dogs and 4 cats either died or were euthanized. There were 13 Adoptions and 2 dogs and 3 cats went into Local Rescue. There were 0 transported to Rescue for Adoption and 0 Scheduled for Transport to Rescue for a total number of Outgoes of 32. At present there are 60 dogs and 43 cats in the Shelter. Total income from adoptions, relinquish/surrenders and donations were \$665.00. The next adoption drive is scheduled for October 22nd at Wal-Mart and the next Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic is scheduled for December 6, 7 and 8th.

There were 215 volunteer hours. There are no NADC or TEA workers at present. Community service workers are used when available from both Sharp County and Cherokee Village. John Shockley has been hired part time as Kennel Assistant. There is still a need to seal the dog house roof and add a fresh coat of paint to 3 buildings. They are looking into putting a floor down in the building directly behind the office so the freezer can be moved out of public view. Security camera signs have been ordered to help stop the dumping of animals at the shelter gates. (Report on file)

STREET – Superintendent Crayne indicated that he has requested ADEM share of Ice Storm and that there is an additional \$52,300 still in review. He has already received \$79,420.24 in FEMA flood money (our 75% share).

His regular staff has been busy with ROW clearing and culvert cleanout; making cold mix, mowing ROW, digging soft spots and adding base rock to Tonganoxie Road & Little Beaver, reshaping ditches and repairing shoulders and blading cold mix for other road repair.

His Maintenance Department has completed multiple repairs and oil/filter changes; serviced and repaired vehicles from FEMA projects and made major repairs on dump trucks from ice storm/dredging. In general they have responded to 18 resident calls for repair or assistance, installed 14 driveway approaches, chip sealed 11.25 miles, received custom mulching head for excavator and completed the striping on hot mix-yellow; white is on back order. (Report on file)

Crayne commented that this was the last day for the Grant street workers to work and they should be sent a thank you.

COMMUNITY SERVICE – Total community service hours for September were 692 with \$5,190 worked off in fines; 144 mandatory hours and 152 volunteer hours from the County Jail for a total of 988 hours.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION – Hrezo reported that there were 242 construction permits issued this year for permit fees totaling \$10,052.50 as opposed to 360 issued in 2009 for total permit fees of \$11,735.

Total permit fees for Business, Building, Septic and Recording/Legal this year amount to \$15,864 to date. There were 38 roofing permits issued for total intake of \$142,019. Thirty-nine permit jobs were inspected and 17 were completed. (Report on file)

CODE ENFORCEMENT – There were 19 complaints taken in September; 12 old complaints; 12 letters mailed; 0 Citations/Affidavits issued; and 31 personal contacts and verifications. Eight were completed in September. (Report on file)

COMMITTEES:

PERSONNEL: Newman reported that her committee had gone over 65 applications for two positions, held 10 interviews, and hired Glenn Harris as Code Enforcement Officer and Johnny Shockley, as Kennel Assistant for Animal Shelter, both on part time basis. Newman commented on the 21 hours of continuing education being offered by the ARML to all Aldermen. Stokes indicated that this was not in the State Statutes. Newman then stated that it may not be mandatory now but may be in the near future. She went on to state that taking the NIMS 100 and 700 tests was mandatory now in order to receive grants. These can be done on the computer.

ABCV (A Better Cherokee Village):

Maxedon reported that his group met and went over a complete draft of The Plan, discussed organization of the draft, need for it to be more eye catching, a publication method, pre-release review by selected individuals, etc. It was agreed that each member should review the plan, mark changes and prepare a draft for next meeting. Bronson shared his revised plan for the hospital and emergency services. Next meeting will be second Tuesday in November as first Tuesday falls on Election Day. (Report on file)

SAFETY COMMITTEE – (Report on file)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. HOUSES TO BE ABOLISHED.** DeLoach indicated that of the 4 houses he wanted to demolish, one owner has come forward indicating that his house will be renovated. This leaves the other three. Attorney Abele has prepared the paperwork for the hearing scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2010 prior to our monthly meeting.
- 2. ORDINANCE NO. 2010-E – AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN LANDS, KNOWN AS COOPERSHARES ADDITION (LOS INDIOS), FOULIS SUBDIVISION, WINNIPESAUKEE ADDITION, HALL HERITAGE ADDITION AND THE LARGE SECTION OF ACREAGE ABOVE HALL HERITAGE ADDITION AND ON OKMULGEE DRIVE ACROSS FROM ‘FOUNTAIN PLACE’ THAT ARE COMPLETELY SURROUNDED BY THE INCORPORATED LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE; AND**

FOR OTHER PUBPOSES. Since this was the 2nd reading, Newman requested that title only be read; seconded by Torbit and unanimously approved. Clerk Endrihs read the title. Newman moved that the 2nd reading be passed; seconded by Torbit. Martin asked for discussion and said that he objected for the same reasons he did on the first reading – a. No SID tax can be collected which covers Fire protection as well as street repair; and b. The \$100 presently collected for fire protection would no longer be available and revenues would definitely be down. Roll call vote was taken: YES votes – Maxedon, Newman, Petersen, Stokes, Thone and Torbit; NO votes – Martin and Viers. 2nd reading passed with 6 YES Votes; 2 NO votes.

COMMENTS ON CITY RELATED ITEMS (limit 3 minutes per speaker) – Jerry Adams reported that a Roadside Pickup has been scheduled for Saturday, November 6th, with rain date of November 13th.

ADJOURNMENT: Newman moved that meeting be adjourned at 7:40 PM; unanimously passed.

DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____
Lloyd Hefley, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Phyllis J. Endrihs, Clerk/Treasurer