

**CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 1, 2010**

The Honorable Mayor Lloyd Hefley called the meeting of the City Council to order at approximately 6:30 PM, Wednesday, September 1, 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, Verna Mae Newman, Angie Petersen, Russ Stokes, Tom Thone, Ray Torbit and Kent Viers. Also present was Attorney Jon Abele.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Viers moved that the Agenda be accepted; seconded by Newman and unanimously passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 19, 2010 MINUTES: Viers moved that these minutes be accepted as written; seconded by Stokes and unanimously passed.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. **SIGNS** – Tom Hrezo led the discussion on signs on public property. Maxedon, who had done some research on this topic since the April meeting, indicated he had been in touch with Mark Hayes, City Attorney for the Municipal League who referred him to David Schoen of the ARML who offered guidelines to follow in developing a plan. Martin indicated that the City Council was the only body that could pass laws for the City of Cherokee Village and that there was nothing in State laws regarding Bills of Assurance as they are civil matter, not a city matter. He further added that Hayes & Schoen are ARML lawyers and can only give their opinions; a law is not tested until it goes to court. Attorney Abele suggested that Council look closely at the City of Fayetteville laws. Mayor Hefley replied that we now need to proceed with caution in a wise manner with all City Council, PZ and Attorney Abele. involved in the planning.
2. **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-07** – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, SHARP & FULTON COUNTIES, STATE OF ARKANSAS, SUPPORTING THE DISPLAY OF THE NATIONAL MOTTO “IN GOD WE TRUST” IN A PROMINENT LOCATION IN THE CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY HALL. This statement is already on the wall behind the aldermens’ desk and the plan is to make it larger and located in a place where everyone could read it. Maxedon moved that this Resolution be passed;

seconded by Newman. Roll call vote was taken: YES votes – Maxedon, Newman, Petersen, Stokes, Thone, Torbit, Viers and Martin.

3. RESOLUTION NO. 2010-08 – A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: (1) TO ELIMINATE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITS ON INTEREST RATES FOR GOVERNMENT BONDS AND LOANS, REVISE INTEREST RATE LIMITS ON OTHER LOANS, AND AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING OF ENERGY SAVINGS PROJECTS – (ISSUE #2 AT A NOVEMBER 2010 GENERAL ELECTION); AND (2) TO MODIFY AND IMPROVE THE FINANCING ALTERNATIVES AVAILABLE TO THE STATE IN SUPPORT OF MAJOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN ARKANSAS (ISSUE #3 AT NOVEMBER 2010 GENERAL ELECTION. After much discussion Martin indicated he could not vote on this Resolution until he had read the amendments to the Constitution which were referred to in this Resolution. Aldermen Maxedon, Torbit, Newman and Mayor Hefley who attended the ARML Summer Conference in Hot Springs indicated that it was discussed in detail at the Conference. Torbit indicated that he agreed with Issue 2 but not with Issue 3, Newman motioned that this Resolution be passed; seconded by Maxedon. Roll call vote was taken. YES votes – Maxedon, Newman, Petersen, Viers, Stokes, and Thone; NO votes – Martin and Torbit.

REMINDER: Mayor Hefley reminded everyone that there will be a Public Hearing on September 16, 2010 at 6:00 PM prior to the City Council Meeting at 6:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: Newman moved that the meeting adjourn at 7:10 PM; unanimously carried.

DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____
Mayor Lloyd Hefley

ATTEST: _____
Phyllis J. Endrihs, Clerk/Treasurer