

**CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 17, 2011**

Mayor Lloyd Hefley called the meeting of the City Council to order at approximately 6:30PM, Thursday, February 17, 2011. He then led the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Clerk Hamilton called roll. Present were Jerry Adams, Lynn Maxedon, Curtis Bratcher, Kent Viers, Tom Thone and Ray Torbit. Attorney Jon Abele was also present. Absent were Verna Mae Newman and Russ Stokes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Bratcher moved that the Agenda be accepted: seconded by Thone and unanimously passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2, 2011 MINUTES: Thone moved that the minutes be accepted: seconded by Maxedon and unanimously passed.

Adams asked if the City Attorney had any further information about Cherokee Village getting a portion of the ½ cent tax for the Fire Department. The City Attorney said there is a chance that Cherokee Village, Ash Flat and Hardy could all get something, not just Cherokee Village. He thought however, that it would require another ballot vote. He is checking further.

CORRESPONDANCE: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE: report on file

POLICE: report on file

ANIMAL CONTROL: report on file

STREET: report on file

COMMUNITY SERVICE: report on file

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

PERMIT COMPARISONS: report on file

CODE ENFORCEMENT: report on file

OTHER REPORTS:

DISTRICT COURT: report on file

COMMITTEES:

PERSONNEL: none

SAFETY: none

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT & GRANT COMMITTEE: Bratcher presented the temporary website (<http://cv.hrdy.net>) which is in its final stages of completion. It has 11 categories, such as Home page, Elected Officials, City Departments, S.I.D., District Court, City Committees, Cherokee Village History, Calendar of Events, News & Information, Related Governmental Links and Local Information. This website will prove to be informative, not only for the citizens of our community, but for people from out of town also.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Mayor Hefley announced that the Special Meeting regarding Wendell Lane will be continued on February 24, 2011 at 6:30PM.
2. Street Light accounts have been identified with the help Alicia Richardson from Jackson, MS. All rates are flat rates (report on file). It was suggested that City Council go out and look at the locations to see if any changes should be made.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Susan Jett and Dianne NesSmith from the National American Red Cross and Cherokee Village United Methodist Church, discussed the Disaster Readiness Team. They currently have 41 people trained in basic safety. The United Methodist Church has been approved as a National American Red Cross shelter, currently they have 50 cots, comfort kits, pantry, and an updated kitchen.

Dianne NesSmith spoke about Fire Call, which is for fire victims. A fire victim may contact Ms. NesSmith to receive temporary housing, credit card, and other related items. However, they must contact her within 7 days to receive these benefits.

Ms. NesSmith also announced that the Mission of Hope is also an emergency shelter providing emergency food needs, transitional housing, clothing, furniture and household items. She also stated that volunteers are needed.

There will be an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 from 1PM to 6PM. Many restrictions have been eliminated, so they ask that anyone wanting to give blood come out to see if they are qualified.

2. Tom Hrezo presented a new proposed Cherokee Village city map. This map is done in layers, so it can be as detailed as we want it. He reported that once the map is more completed they will try to get advertisers to try and cover the cost. He gave his gratitude to Mike Chandler who has worked on this map and has not charged anything to date.
3. Thone motioned to table the approval of the 2010 Budget Final Adjustment until the next meeting, so all can have a chance to review: seconded by Torbit and unanimously passed.

4. A roll call vote was taken to allow the City Building Inspector to be able to claim .51 cents for his mileage, as he uses his own vehicle to conduct day to day business. All council members present voted yes, passing the .51 cents per mile for the City Building Inspector.

5. Urban Deer Updates: report on file.

COMMENTS ON CITY RELATED ITEMS: none

ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

ADJOURNMENT: Maxedon moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:35PM, seconded by Thone and unanimously passed.

DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____
Lloyd Hefley, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Lana Hamilton, Clerk/Treasurer