

**MINUTES
CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2013
CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY HALL
(meetings are video recorded)**

Mayor Lloyd Hefley called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. on, December 19, 2013. He led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Roll was called by Clerk Lana Hamilton. Present were Jerry Adams, Bill Circle, Les Covington, Chuck McMahon, Verna Mae Newman, Linda O'Neal, Pamela Rowland, Tom Thone, Mayor Hefley and City Attorney Jon Abele.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Thone moved to amend the agenda to remove Item #2 - Resolution No. 2013 from Unfinished Business, and add Item #1 - Returning hospital property to the State, under New Business, seconded by Circle. Mayor Hefley called for a roll call vote; there were 5 yeas and 3 nays passing the motion to amend the agenda. Rowland stated she would like to add, Mr. Street with WRMC, to the agenda; Mayor Hefley stated Mr. Street could speak prior to unfinished business. O'Neal asked to remove herself from the agenda. O'Neal moved to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Rowland and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: (limit 3 minutes per person)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Newman moved to approve the November 21, 2013 council minutes, seconded by Covington and passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

MAYOR'S REPORT:

FINANCIAL REPORT: Newman moved to approve the financials for audit, seconded by Rowland and passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- **FIRE:** (report on file)

- **POLICE:** (report on file)

- **ANIMAL CONTROL:** (report on file)

- **STREET:** (report on file) - Thone stated he had a question for the Street Dept. Thone stated there was a recent article in the City & Town magazine regarding State Aid

grants and asked if the Street Dept. had applied; McMahon stated the Street Dept. has applied for 2015 and stated 2014 monies have already been awarded. Thone stated the Street Dept. had \$174,000 in the money market account as of December 2012 and stated the current balance is \$46,000; Thone inquired how the money was spent. Carmen Evance stated the Street Dept. had made a lot of cold mix in 2013; Robert McKnight was also asked how the money was spent but McKnight had no response. Thone asked Evance to provide a comparison between 2012 & 2013 for him; Evance will e-mail the comparison.

- **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** (report on file)

- **DISTRICT COURT:** (report on file)

PLANNING & ZONING – Thone asked for an update on the FEMA floodplain survey; Bickle stated he checks on this weekly. Bickle stated there are 48 to 50 homes not yet complete on Thunderbird, 6 on Sequoyah that are in the floodplain and 4 that are yet to be done on Sequoyah.

- **PERMIT COMPARISONS:** (report on file)

- **CODE ENFORCEMENT:** (report on file)

- **RESTORATION:** Bob Bickle stated 2 Planning & Zoning commissioner's terms would end at year end; Tom Rhezo has served for 15 years and Tom Henkels has served 1 of 2 years; Bickle stated there would be 2 positions to fill for 2014. Bickle stated 13 properties were cleaned up in 2013. Bickle stated \$4,428 was spent on cleaning up 99 Cochise and extended his gratitude to the Street Dept. for a job well done. Bickle stated 13 Powhatan needed seeding & fertilizing. Bickle stated 27 Iroquois Circle would be cleaned using the balance in the account; Bickle stated there is a trailer lot to finish before year-end. McMahon inquired about insurance monies; Bickle stated he is waiting on a \$5,000 insurance check from 99 Cochise. Bickle stated the Street Dept. would be paid once the insurance money is received.

A & P COMMISSION REPORT:

COMMITTEES:

- **PERSONNEL:**

- **SAFETY:**

- **WEBSITE & GRANT:**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1 – Linda O'Neal to address council in regards to the Old Hospital –

2 – Resolution No. 2013 – A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE -

NEW BUSINESS:

1 – Mr. Street spoke about the North Complex facility becoming the 1st satellite emergency room in the State of Arkansas. Street stated specialty physicians will be on hand 24/7; Street stated there will be a lab, x-ray and CT scan and it will be a level 3 trauma unit. Mr. Street provided a handout for council which covered the details of the satellite emergency room.

2 - Thone inquired about the deeds for the old hospital complex since council voted against accepting the hospital; Mayor Hefley will send the deeds back to the State.

COMMENTS OF CITY RELATED ITEMS: (limit 3 minutes per person)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Hefley moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

NOTE: Minutes are prepared by Kathi Blackwell, Assistant to Clerk/Treasurer Lana Hamilton (with Hamilton's approval)

DATE: 1/17/14

APPROVED: Lloyd Hefley
Lloyd Hefley, Mayor

ATTEST: Lana Hamilton
Lana Hamilton, City Clerk/Treasurer