

**MINUTES
CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2014
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, Thursday, March 27, 2014. He led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent prayer.

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mayor Hefley asked for a motion to add James Street to the agenda to discuss the White River Emergency Room. Adams moved to add Mr. Street with WRMC to the agenda, seconded by Covington. Clerk Hamilton stated the Special Meeting Minutes from the February 26th Budget Meeting needed to be added to the agenda. Thone moved to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Covington and passed unanimously.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Thone moved to approve the, February 20, 2014 council minutes & the February 26th special minutes, seconded by McMahon and passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Hefley presented a plaque to Tom Hrezo for his 17 years service to the City of Cherokee Village. Mayor Hefley presented his Address to the City which highlighted 2013 accomplishments and 2014 goals.

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- **FIRE:** (report on file) Thone inquired about the EMS Assists & the notation 'Ambulance Out of Area'; Pendarvis stated if the ambulance is out of the area, there can be a wait time of 1 to 1-1/2 hours so the Fire Dept. responds to more calls. Police Chief, Rickey Crook, stated one ambulance has been out of service.

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

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

- **STREET:** (report on file) – Adams inquired about the Street Superintendent position; Mayor Hefley stated he was still interviewing and would e-mail council when a decision was made.

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

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

PLANNING & ZONING –

- **PERMIT COMPARISONS:** (report on file)
- **CODE ENFORCEMENT:** (report on file)
- **RESTORATION:** Bob Bickle stated there are currently 2 pieces of property to be cleaned up and permits have been issued; Bickle stated he is awaiting approval from the Mayor to obtain assistance from the Street Dept.

A & P COMMISSION REPORT: McMahon stated A&P was currently working on the new website and advertising; McMahon stated the A&P's goal was to attract visitors as well as new residents.

COMMITTEES:

- **PERSONNEL:**
- **SAFETY:**
- **WEBSITE & GRANT:**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1 – Bob Bickle to propose that council exempts Tripe D Package Store from purchasing his Liquor & Beer permit until July 1, 2014 – Bickle asked council to exempt Triple D from paying the cost of the permit since the sales tax issue was denied. Adams moved to exempt Triple D from paying the cost of the permit until July 1, 2014, seconded by Covington and passed unanimously.

2 – Notice of hearing to consider raze & removal resolution for: Lot 28, Block 2, Dakota 1 Addition to Cherokee Village Subdivision, Sharp County, Arkansas/Jerry Weist, Owner – Bickle requested to withdraw the notice of hearing until the address could be verified; Bickle stated he would re-address at the next meeting. Covington moved to approve the withdrawal, seconded by Adams and passed unanimously.

3 – Resolution No. 2014-__, A resolution to authorize the Mayor of the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas, to submit an application to the Arkansas Rural Development Commission for the purpose of securing state grant funds – Pendarvis stated the grant funds would be used to replace the overhead doors at Baseheart fire station and purchase a thermal imaging camera. Thone asked if the grant was for a specific amount and if it was a 100% grant; Pendarvis stated it was. Clerk Hamilton read the resolution; Mayor Hefley called for a roll call vote. There were 4 yeas, passing the resolution to submit an application to the Arkansas Rural Development Commission for the purpose of securing state grant funds.

4 – Temporary Special Use Permit – Cherokee Village Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast on May 24, 2014 - Thone moved to approve the temporary special use permit for the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, seconded by Adams and passed unanimously.

5 – Temporary Special Use Permit - Cherokee Village Business Association, Fireworks Display on Thunderbird Dam, Vendors at Town Center, July 4-5, 2014 – Covington moved to approve the temporary special use permit for the Fireworks Display on

Thunderbird Dam and the vendors at Town Center, seconded by Adams and passed unanimously.

6 – Resolution 2014-__, A resolution to proclaim May 2014 as National Preservation Month - Clerk Hamilton read the resolution; Mayor Hefley called for a roll call vote; there were 4 yeas, passing the resolution unanimously.

7 – Council to discuss mandatory garbage pickup - Mayor Hefley discussed a mandatory garbage pick-up which would reduce the monthly fee by \$2/month. Mayor Hefley stated this would require a letter from the City to the water board to see if they would participate in the new contract combining water & garbage services as suggested by Progressive Waste Services. Thone moved to instruct the Mayor to proceed with pursuing the matter, seconded by Covington and passed unanimously. Mayor Hefley asked for the assistance of City Attorney, Jon Abele, to pursue the issue.

8 – James Mack Street with WRMC spoke on the progress of the 24 hour emergency center which is approaching 50% completion. Street stated June 1, 2014 is the target completion date. Street also stated the facility will be part of the Arkansas Saves Network for stroke patients. Street stated the long-range plan includes 27 different services to area residents.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Thone moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m., seconded by McMahon and passed unanimously.

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

DATE: _____

4/18/14

APPROVED: _____

Lloyd Hefley
Lloyd Hefley, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Lana Hamilton
Lana Hamilton, City Clerk/Treasurer