

**MINUTES  
CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016  
CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY HALL  
(meetings are video recorded)**

Mayor Stokes called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. on October 20, 2016. Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Roll was called by Deputy Clerk, Kathi Blackwell. Present: Jerry Adams, Bill Circle, Chuck Kristopeit, Chuck McMahon, Pamela Rowland, Rob Smith, Steve Thompson, Mayor Stokes, and City Attorney Jon Abele; Absent: Les Covington.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** McMahon moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Smith and passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Smith moved to approve the September 15, 2016 council minutes, seconded by Rowland and passed unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Barb Reiter made a request for dog training to continue in the area. Reiter thanked the City for the use of the building on Tekakwitha Drive and stated the key had been returned.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Rowland moved to approve the September 2016 financials, seconded by McMahon and passed unanimously.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor met with an environmental firm regarding hazardous and waste material at the old hospital; a request was made for ADEQ to inspect the building for asbestos as the building has been abandoned for over 10 years. A recommendation will be forthcoming. Mayor stated the City's audit report had been received. Mayor stated Linda Collins-Smith would host a forum at Horseshoe Bend City Hall regarding tax relief for retirees. Mayor stated the Police Department would be holding their annual "Treat or Trick" on Halloween. Mayor stated work was progressing on Tohi Pavilion. Mayor stated Village Pride was holding a roadside pickup Saturday, October 29. Volunteers are to meet at the King-Rhodes parking lot; coffee, donuts & lunch will be provided.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**ANIMAL CONTROL:** (report on file) Mayor stated donations had been received from Wal-Mart.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** (report on file) Mayor stated community service workers had saved the City approximately \$6,000 with hours worked.

**DISTRICT COURT:** (report on file) Mayor stated court would be held Friday, October 21.

**FIRE:** (report on file)

**PLANNING & ZONING/CODE ENFORCEMENT:** (report on file) - NOTICE OF HEARING TO CONSIDER RAZE AND REMOVAL RESOLUTION FOR: Lot 45, Block 3, Sequoyah Addition (25 Osage Drive) to Cherokee Village Subdivision, Sharp County, Arkansas, (Cherisa Leggett, Administratrix). Mayor stated an email had been received regarding the property and the property is held in estate. Smith moved to proceed with raze and removal, seconded by Adams. City Attorney, Jon Abele, stated if the resolution passed action would need to be taken. After lengthy discussion, a roll call vote was taken to approve the raze and removal; there was 1 yea and 6 nays; motion to approve raze and removal failed. Alderman Rowland made a motion for a 30 day time extension requiring supporting documentation, seconded by Smith. A roll call vote was taken, there were 6 yeas and 1 nay; motion to grant 30 day extension passed.

**POLICE:** (report on file)

**STREET:** (report on file) Alderman Smith thanked the Street Department for installing the speed limit signs on Hiawatha.

#### OTHER REPORTS

**A & P COMMISSION:** none

**GRANTS:** (report on file) Mayor stated Cherokee Village would be receiving a volunteerism award in Little Rock. Mayor stated a grant had been submitted for planting for specified areas. Mayor stated no word had been received on the Petco Grant.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

**OEM REPORT/DAVID WOODS:** Woods provided bids to council for emergency warning siren and recommended using American Signal, the company the City of Highland is using. Woods stated SID agreed to provide land for the siren. Woods stated he will be looking at grant requirements with Mayor. Woods stated he attended a meeting with Fulton County regarding rooftop plotting of properties; Woods stated Sharp County has already done this plotting. Fire Chief Pendarvis stated the City has already been plotted for 911 services.

**ROAD & STREETS COMMITTEE:** (report on file) Mayor stated West Tree Removal, a subcontractor for NAEC, had been dumping debris; the contractor will be cleaning up the debris.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Resolution 2016-\_: LOT REFUSAL: Lot Thirty-Four (34), Block Thirteen-A (13-a) of Kima 2nd Addition to Cherokee Village Subdivision, Sharp County, Arkansas. Mayor stated the property is one half interest in the lot. Thompson moved to refuse the lot, seconded by Kristopeit. A roll call vote was taken; there were 7 yeas, passing the motion to refuse unanimously.
2. RECYCLE GRANT - Mayor stated council was provided a bid copy from Protainer regarding recycle. The City has an issue obtaining volunteers for recycle. Mayor stated he is looking at a 75/25 grant with White River. Mayor

recommended Item #1 with a cost of \$13,385 plus freight charge and has received a commitment of \$1,000 and is negotiating on another for \$2,000 which would leave the City's share slightly over \$1,000 for the 2017 budget; Mayor stated there is no guarantee we will receive the grant. Smith stated this would be an effort to work towards "self service" recycling; Smith stated this would cut the operation to two men and the container would be left at City Hall for a full day, but be manned until 11 a.m. Smith moved to approve proceeding with the grant placing a cap on City funding at \$3,300, seconded by Rowland. A roll call vote was taken; there were 7 yeas passing the motion unanimously.

3. TEMPORARY SPECIAL USE PERMIT 2016-09: Haunted House/October 28-29, 2016, 6 p.m. - 11 p.m., Town Center - Kristopeit moved to approve the special use permit seconded by Thompson. Rowland stated hot chocolate and popcorn would be served and tickets were \$3.00 each. Rowland stated the Murphys helped sponsor the haunted house.

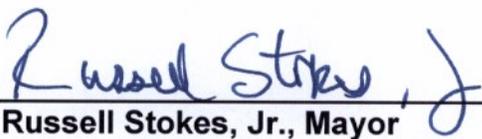
**COMMENTS ON CITY RELATED BUSINESS:** Rowland reminded everyone of the "Shop Local" campaign to keep tax dollars local and support local businesses.

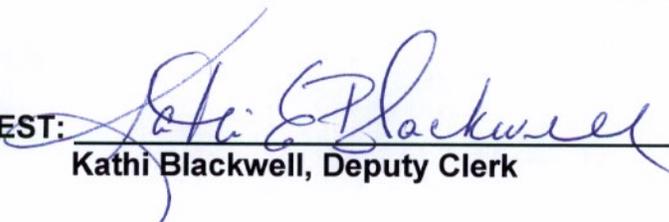
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** none

**WRMC REPORT:** (report on file) James Mack Street gave an update on the facility. Smith inquired about the helipad; Street stated WRMC is continuing to work on funding. Street stated Survival Flight has a plan to cover employees for \$10 a month while on the job if the City is interested.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m., seconded by McMahon and passed unanimously.

**DATE:** 11/18/16

**APPROVED:**   
Russell Stokes, Jr., Mayor

**ATTEST:**   
Kathi Blackwell, Deputy Clerk