

MINUTES
CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021
CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY HALL
(meetings are video recorded)

Roll was called by Clerk Deb Weichinger. Present were Carr Hills, Eddie Ishmael, Chuck Kristopeit, Pamela Rowland, Thomas Rupard, Rob Smith, Steve Thompson, Mayor Stokes, and city attorney Jon Abele. Absent: Jerry Adams.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mayor Stokes asked to change the agenda to have comments/questions to city related business prior to the executive session. Council Member Smith moved to approve the amended agenda, second by Council Member Kristopeit and passed unanimously.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (May 20, 2021): Council Member Smith moved to approve the minutes, second by Council Member Rupard, and passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: none

FINANCIAL REPORT: Council Member Thompson moved to approve the May 2021 financials to be filed for audit, second by Council Member Rowland. Roll call vote passed unanimously. Mayor reported revenue stream is very positive for first six (6) months of the year.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor acknowledged and recognized retiring Police Chief Rick Crook for his year of service from 2009-2021. Mayor announced Sargent Monte Lane will be the new Police Chief effective July 1, 2021.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- **ANIMAL CONTROL:** (report on file)
- **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** (none)
- **DISTRICT COURT:** (report on file)
- **FIRE:** (report on file)
- **P&Z / CODE ENFORCEMENT:** (report on file)
 - Notice of hearing: Hearing for Raze and Removal of Lot 3, Block 1, Pueblo Addition. City Inspector Thomas Swiatkowski stated no response has been received to three (3) notices sent. Mayor asked for a motion to resolve Raze and Removal. Council Member Rupard moved to adopt resolution to raze and remove, seconded by Council Member Kristopeit. Roll call vote passed unanimously. Resolution to order the Razing and Removal of a Nuisance on the Property Lot 3, Block 1, Pueblo Addition to Cherokee Village Subdivision (6 Sioux Dr, Cherokee Village), Sharp County, Arkansas (Troy Austin & Anna Papas, owners). This will be Resolution 2021-14.

- Notice of hearing: Hearing for Raze and Removal of Lot 8, Block 1, Seneca First Addition. City Inspector Thomas Swiatkowski stated no response has been received to three (3) notices sent. Mayor asked for a motion to resolve Raze and Removal. Council Member Rowland moved to adopt resolution to raze and remove, seconded by Council Member Rupard. Roll call vote passed unanimously. Resolution to order the Razing and Removal of a Nuisance on the Property Lot 8, Block 1, Seneca First Addition to Cherokee Village Subdivision (11 Vista Larga Dr, Cherokee Village), Sharp County, Arkansas (Joan Lindquist, owner). This will be Resolution 2021-15.

- POLICE: (report on file)
- STREET DEPARTMENT: (report on file)
- VOLUNTEER OEM (none)

OTHER REPORTS:

- A & P Report: (report on file).
- AIRPORT REPORT: (report on file)
- GRANT REPORT: (no report)
- OEM SIREN: (no report)
- P & Z COMMISSION: (report on file)
- S.I.D.: (report on file)
- STREETS COMMITTEE: (No report)
- TRI-COUNTY SOLDE WASTE: (report on file)
- WELCOME CENTER: (No Report)

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Tiffany Evans – discuss basketball goal(s) for youth:** Ms. Evans addressed council regarding the desire to have basketball courts for the youth in town. Mayor Stokes advised Ms. Evans to speak with S.I.D. about courts.
2. **Ordinance 2021-xx: An Ordinance to Regulate Unregistered, Wrecked or Junked Vehicles Within the City Limits of the City of Cherokee Village, Providing for A Penalty for the Violation of the Ordinance and for Other Purposes:** After some discussion, Council Member Rowland made a motion to change the wording in Section 3,(1) (c) to read *No more than two (2) hobbyist permits will be issued for an address at one given time per year.* Motion second by Council Member Smith. Roll call vote passed unanimously.

Executive Session – Personnel: Council Member Smith moved to adjourn for executive session, second by Council Member Rowland. Mayor adjourned the Regular City Council meeting at 7:00 PM to Executive Session. Regular City Council meeting reconvened at 8:47 PM. Mayor stated no action to be taken in public session.

COMMENTS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m., second by Council Member Thompson and meeting was adjourned.

DATE: 7/26/21

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

ATTEST: Deborah Weichinger
Deborah Weichinger, City Clerk