

MINUTES
CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, June 17, 2022
CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY HALL
(Meetings are video recorded)

Mayor Stokes called City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. on, June 17, 2022. Mayor Stokes led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Roll was called by City Clerk, Penny Trumpy. Present: Pam Rowland (Virtual), Chuck Kristopeit, Andrew Hefley, Eddie Ishmael, Steve Thompson, Rob Smith, Peter Martin. City Attorney Jon Abele Absent.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mr. Martin requested to amend and add 3 items to the agenda. (Under New Business) Mr. Thompson reminded Mr. Martin that Council does have a working meeting before monthly Council meetings to address agenda topics with other Council Members and public, which would shorten discussion during and give other Council members time to check topics in question. Mr. Kristopeit moved to accept the amended agenda, seconded by Mr. Martin. Agenda approved. Yea (7) Nay (0)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Smith moved to approve May 19, 2022 Council Minutes, seconded by Mr. Martin. Yea (7) Nay (0)

Correspondence: None

Financial Report: Mr. Martin question why the line item on page #22 (street & roads) of the packet is over budget. Mr. Thompson replied to Mr. Martin that the signage amount is offset by income tax and can be adjusted within the department's budget. Mr. Martin moved to approve the May 2022 financial report, seconded by Mr. Ishmael. Financial report approved for audit Yea (7) Nay (0)

Mayors Report: A parade on Friday June 18th, 2022 to honor Betty Waser turning 100. Mayor reported that people need to be aware of Cyber Security scams. A scam called "Geek Squad" asking you to update your bank account information is circulating. Check the emails as they look similar but are different. BE AWARE!

Department Reports: See Cherokee Village Web site for reports. Mr. Martin motioned to accept ALL Department Reports as submitted, seconded by Mr. Ishmael. Repots accepted. Yea (7) Nay (0)

Mr. Martin motioned to accept ALL Other Reports as submitted, seconded by Mr. Ishmael. Reports accepted Yea (7) Nay (0)

Old Business:

1. Kurt & Tammy Schlaich – Chickens for Cherokee Village

- Kurt Schlaich spoke on positives of Chickens and questioned Cattle being allowed in the City limits.
- Mr. Martin presented an ordinance for the City to review on Chickens. Mr. Martin wants Council to consider this ordinance. The people have completed the steps in filing and asking for change. Mr. Martin wants to sponsor this ordinance. Mr. Martin must take this ordinance to the City Attorney for review.
- Tammy Schlaich spoke on Alpha-gal Syndrome. Mrs. Schlaich reported there are 891 signatures on the petition supporting chickens in the City Limits.

New Business:

- 1. Resolution NO. 2022-XX – Declare an item Surplus Property and to Remove from City of Cherokee Village Property Asset List (CVFD Surplus Property List attached)** Resolution was read by the Clerk. Discussion on where items were obtained and age. Mr. Martin moved to accept this Resolution, seconded by Mr. Smith. Roll call vote: Yea – (7) Kristopeit, Hefley, Ishmael, Thompson, Smith, Martin, and Rowland, Nay (0) Motion passed.
- 2. Declaration of Council Vacancy – Ward 2 position 1, Term 2021 – 2024**
An email of resignation was read by the Clerk from Carlton Hill III. Mr. Hill has accepted a new Job and moved to Melbourne and no longer qualifies to hold a Council seat in Cherokee Village. Anyone in Ward 2 that is interested in filling that council position will need to pick up a packet at City Hall and return the necessary documents to City Hall by date to be determined. The applicants will be interviewed at the Council meeting on July 21, 2022. Mr. Martin made a motion to accept Mr. Hill's resignation, seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion passed.
- 3. Public Areas (space) –** The ability to have petitions signed on city property. Tammy Schlaich was not allowed to be on city property but City Council member ask to have his petition signed before the meeting in the Council Room. Mayor suggest Mr. Martin handle this by reviewing this with City Attorney as to proper procedure.
- 4. Election - Schlaich of Mayor and Clerk –** This being an election year Council needs to set / review Slaveries. Mayor stated City has an ordinance already in place. Mr. Martin proposed to update numbers. Mayor suggest Mr. Martin go to the Web site to review ordinances and resolutions. Mr. Martin request this be on next month's meeting to which the Mayor replied that request needs to be in writing and submitted. This item has been discussed with the Auditor. Any questions will be addressed by the Mayor when presented.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS ON CITY RELATED BUSINESS: (limit 3 minutes per person)

- Carissa Cantwell – Would like to have the option of having chickens
- Donna Logan – has Alpha- gal and support having chickens.
- Pam Martin Stewart – Support Chickens. A Realtor in Cherokee Village and some buyers won't buy property due not allowed to have chickens.
- Ron Stamper – Against Chickens -
- Stephanie Taylor – Support Chickens.
- Marianne Quick – Questions of working on Chicken petition. What was the wording of the question that Tammy Schlaich asked people before they were asked to sign? Tammy Schlaich read the statement "This petition is for up to 5 Chickens in Cherokee Village."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. July 4th Activities are listed on Facebook. Thunder on Thunderbird boat parade and fireworks. Fire Dept will have the Annual Pancake Breakfast at Baseheart Fire Station.
2. June 23, 2022 is the runoff election for District 2 State Rep. House Seat and State Senate seat.
3. City Hall will be closed on Juneteenth.

ADJOURNMENT: Martin moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m., seconded by Kristopeit and passed unanimously.

DATE: 7/22/2022

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

ATTEST: Penny Trumpy
Penny Trumpy, City Clerk