

MINUTES
CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:30 P.M., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021
CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY HALL
(meetings are video recorded)

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mayor Stokes asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Smith moved to approve the agenda, second by Council Member Kristopeit and passed unanimously.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (Regular Meeting of August 19, 2021, Special Meetings August 26 and 27, 2021): Council Member Adams moved to approve the minutes, second by Council Member Smith, and passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter of Retirement from John Kylo as Street Superintendent September 1, 2021, effective October 12, 2021. Letter of Resignation from Deb Weichinger as City Clerk dated September 2, 2021, effective September 23, 2021.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Council Member Adams moved to approve the July 2021 financials to be filed for audit, second by Council Member Kristopeit. Roll call vote passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor reported having met with an appraiser regarding the ARDOT bridge project. Appraiser will be contacting four parties to make offers on properties. The Papoose sign will need to be relocated. The project is expected to begin the spring of 2022 or sooner.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- **ANIMAL CONTROL:** (report on file) Spay neuter clinic happening this week.
- **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** (none)
- **DISTRICT COURT:** (report on file) Court will meet Friday the 24th, closed to the public.
- **FIRE:** (report on file) Burn in affect.
- **P&Z / CODE ENFORCEMENT:** (report on file)
- **POLICE:** (report on file)
- **STREET DEPARTMENT:** (report on file) Street Superintendent reported 14 miles of roads to be striped.
- **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) No replacement has been hired for David Webb as GM yet.
- STREETS COMMITTEE:** (No report) opening on Street Committee
- TRI-COUNTY SOLID WASTE:** (report on file) E-cycling to take place in City Hall parking lot August 26th, from 8 am to 3 pm.
- WELCOME CENTER:** (No Report)

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Ordinance 2021-02: Emergency Clause for 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:** Emergency clause motioned by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Kristopeit. Roll call vote passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **RESOLUTION No. 2021-16: A RESOLUTION TO ANNUALLY CERTIFY THE CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE PROPERTY TAX.** Resolution to Annually Certify the City of Cherokee Village Property Tax was read in its entirety by the Clerk. Motion was made by Council Member Smith, second by Council Member Adams to approve. Roll call vote passed unanimously to pass Resolution Motion passed unanimously.
2. **RESOLUTION 2021-17: A Resolution to Declare Surplus Property and to Remove from City of Cherokee Village Fire Department Property Asset List.** Vehicles are no longer useable for departmental purposes. Items classified as scrap property, to be sold as is by competitive bid, funds deposited in General Fire Account. Motion to approve Resolution 2021-17 by Council Member Smith and second by Council Member Adams. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **SHORT TERM SPECIAL USE PERMIT No. 2021-06:** Arts Center of North Arkansas, Gazebo in Town Center, 6 PM, September 23-October 14, 2021. Motion to approve Turkey Shoot temporary special use permit made by Council Member Smith and second by Council Member Adams. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **SHORT TERM SPECIAL USE PERMIT No. 2021-07:** Highland Elks Lodge No. 2539, Turkey Shoot, October 2, 2021 and November 6, 2021 at 15 Elks Lodge, Cherokee Village, AR. Motion to approve Turkey Shoot temporary special use permit made by Council Member Kristopeit and second by Council Member Smith. Motion passed unanimously.
5. **SHORT TERM SPECIAL USE PERMIT No. 2021-08:** Track of land adjacent to airport and Santa Fe Addition. Mr. Murphy owns an 83 acre tract he'd like to be able to run cattle on adjacent to airport and Santa Fe. Will run five strand woven

fencing; then plans to clear area east of Sharp Office Supply for commercial usage. After some discussion, motion was made by Council Member Smith and second by Council Member Thompson to approve the short term special use permit. Roll call vote passed unanimously.

COMMENTS:

Executive Session – Personnel: Council Member Smith moved to adjourn for executive session, second by Council Member Kristopeit. Mayor adjourned the Regular City Council meeting at 7:25 PM to Executive Session. Regular City Council meeting reconvened at 8:25 PM. Mayor stated no action to be taken in public session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m., second by Council Member Adams and meeting was adjourned.

DATE: 10/21/2021

APPROVED: 
Russell Stokes, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Penny Trumpy, City Clerk