



CITY OF WARD

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Council Meeting Minutes – 7-15-19

- I. **Call To Order:** Meeting was called to order by Mayor Gastineau @6:30pm
- Prayer
 - Pledge of Allegiance
- II. **Roll Call:** by City Clerk Ruble. JoAnn Barrentine – Present, Jim Wier – Here, Robin Hefner – Present, Jimmy McMinn – Present, Art Brooke – Present. We have a quorum.

III. **Review/approval of June 17th, 2019 minutes :**

The June 17th, 2019 Minutes were approved with a motion by Mr. Wier, second Mrs. Barrentine. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 voice vote.

IV. **Department Reports**

Chief Benton asked the council to consider 2 vehicles for disposal, one owned by the water department and the other owned by the street dept to be disposed of on the public online auction site. Vehicle 1: 2002 Chevy Blazer 1GNCT18W32K205040. Vehicle 2: 2006 Ford Ranger 1FTZR45E66PA64004. Mr. Brooke made a motion to put these vehicles on the auction site, second by Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion passed with a 5-0 voice vote.

A motion was made to approve the Department Reports by Mr. Brooke, second by Mr. Wier. Discussion. Department Reports accepted with a 5-0 voice vote.

V. **Commission Report**

Mr. Brooke made a motion to approve the Planning Commission Report, Second Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion carries with a 5-0 voice vote.

VI. **Engineer Report:** None

VII. **Unfinished Business**

- Appointment of Council Member for Ward 2 Position 1
Five Candidates were given the opportunity to speak. Attorney Lacy held a closed ballot election between council members.
Results:
Tammy Carmichael – 0, Harbort – 1, Ketterman – 1, Shaver – 1,
Williams – 2

Harbor, Ketterman, Shaver and Williams was put for another vote from the council.

Results 2:

Harbort – 1, Ketterman – 1, Shaver – 2, Williams – 1

No one candidate received a majority and the council put it forward for one more vote.

Results 3:

Harbort -1, Ketterman -1, Shaver – 2, Williams – 1

No candidate was appointed.

Mr. McMinn made a motion to table this item till the next council meeting, second Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with 5-0 roll call vote.

Mr. McMinn– Yea, Mr. Brooke– Yea, Mrs. Barrentine- Yea, Mr. Wier– Yea, Mrs. Hefner– Yea.

- 5 RFP – Sanitation Contract
 - a. Bids Due 2 pm, July 23
 - b. Bid Opening, 4 pm, July 23
 - c. Schedule Special City Council Meeting to Award Contract

VIII. New Business

- a. CDBG Approval:

We were awarded a 50/50 grant of \$200,000.00 to remove 17 houses at minimum off the vacuum system.
- b. Street Aid Submittal:

Mr. Wier made a motion to submit this letter to ARDOT for consideration for street aid, second by Mr. McMinn. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Mr. Brooke– Yea, Mrs. Barrentine- Yea, Mr. Wier– Yea, Mrs. Hefner– Yea, Mr. McMinn-Yea.
- c. Ordinance O-2019-07 (AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2012.01 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR A DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF WARD, ARKANSAS) 1ST READING: Mr. Brooke makes a motion to put O-2019-07 on its first reading, second Mrs. Barrentine. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Mrs. Barrentine- Yea, Mr. Wier– Yea, Mrs. Hefner– Yea, Mr. McMinn- Yea, Mr. Brooke– Yea.
- d. Ordinance O-2019-08 (AN ORDINANCE REPLACING CITY OF WARD ORDINANCE O-00497; AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FEE UPON THE PRIVILEGE TO ENGAGE IN BUSINESS, TRADE OCCUPATIONS, VOCATIONS, OR PROFESSION; AND PRESCRIBING MATTERS RELATING THERETO) 1st Reading: Motion made by Mr. Brooke to put

O-2019-08 on its first reading, second by Mrs. Barrentine. Discussion. Motion passes with a 3-2 roll call vote. Mr. Wier– Yea, Mrs. Hefner– Nay, Mr. McMinn- Nay, Mr. Brooke– Yea, Mrs. Barrentine- Yea.

e. Internet Connection to the wastewater Treatment Plant:

Resolution R-2019-20 (A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF WARD TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE INTERNET SERVICE TO THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT) Mr. Brooke made a motion to put this on its first reading, second by Mrs. Barrentine. Discussion. No Vote

Mr. Wier makes a motion to award Century link with the internet contract for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, second by Mr. McMinn. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-1 roll call vote. Mrs. Hefner– Nay, Mr. McMinn- Yea, Mr. Brooke– Yea, Mrs. Barrentine- Yea, Mr. Wier– Yea

f. Request to Invest Water/Wastewater Funds:

Mr. McMinn made a motion to shop for CD rates and invest \$500,000.00 in Water/Wastewater money with the highest rate and best rate and length of time, second Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion carries with a 5-0 roll call vote. Mr. McMinn- Yea, Mr. Brooke– Yea, Mrs. Barrentine- Yea, Mr. Wier– Yea, Mrs. Hefner– Yea.

g. Water and Sewer System Financial Statements and Additional Information with Independent Auditors' Report for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

Mr. Brooke made a motion to accept the Water and Sewer System Financial Statement, second Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Mr. Brooke– Yea, Mrs. Barrentine- Yea, Mr. Wier– Yea, Mrs. Hefner– Yea, Mr. McMinn – Yea.

h. Retire K9 Canni and Release to Original Handler, Joey Sneed:

Mr. Brooke makes a motion to Retire K9 Canni and release to Joey Sneed, second by Mrs. Barrentine. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 voice vote.

i. Accept K9 Beni Under the Care of Handler Bill Duerson:

Mr. Brooke makes a motion to accept K9 Beni as our new K9 under handler Bill Duerson, second by Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 voice vote.

IX. Mayor's Report:

As handed out by the Mayor.

X. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Mr. Rummel made public comment on Water Meters

Mr. Adams made public comment on Sewage

XI. Announcements

Planning Commission Meeting: Tuesday, June, 25th, 7:00 pm

Ward Chamber of Commerce: Tuesday, August 6th, 7 pm

Crime Watch Meeting: Thursday, August 22nd, 6 pm @ Ward Chamber of Commerce

Ward City Council Meeting: Monday, August 19th, 6:30pm

Census Day: April 1, 2020

XII. Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm with a motion by Mrs. Hefner, second by Mr. Wier. Motion to adjourn passed with a 5-0 voice vote.

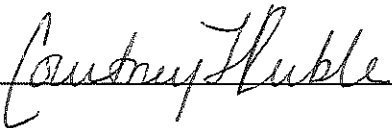
We, the undersigned Mayor and City Clerk for the City of Ward, do hereby verify the foregoing to be true and correct record of proceedings of the City of Ward Regular Meeting held on Monday, July 15th, 2019 at 6:30pm.

APPROVED DATE: August 19th, 2019



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK

CITY SEAL