

City of Elm Springs

Council Meeting

February 23, 2017

The Elm Springs City Council met on Thursday February 23, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Harold Douthit called the meeting to order, followed by prayer, and pledge of allegiance. Roll call was taken. The following members were present: Roberta Peters, Derl Howerton, Steve Roberts, Jeannie Burks and Sarah Downum. Allan Huddleston was absent. Jay Williams, the City Attorney was also present.

The January 26, 2017 minutes were presented. A motion to approve the January minutes was made by Derl Howerton and the motion was seconded by Jeannie Burks. Minutes were approved. The financials were presented. Sarah Downum made a motion to approve the financials. Roberta Peters seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Mayoral Update

1. A meeting was held with NACA in order to allow David Gilbert to present the proposal to NACA for hookup. The Mayor, Jay Williams, Casey Jackson, Derl Howerton, Allan Huddleston and Chief Jason Hiatt attended that meeting. The negotiations were discussed and the process is in motion.
2. Street sealing in the subdivisions is in progress.
3. A complaint was made about a business regarding dump trucks at 938 Elm Springs Rd. The owner is expected at the next Planning meeting to address the issue.
4. The Mayor has applied for the remainder of the FEMA money from the state.
5. Spring Cleanup will be held April 28th & 29th.

Reports

Police- Chief Hiatt presented the report, with minimum activity. The Mayor announced that the process being taken when nuisance or unsightly complaints are made, is that a copy of the ordinance that was violated is delivered to their door.

Planning- Miranda Taylor presented the report. Approval was given for an accessory structure at 909 S. Elm Springs Rd.

Approval was given for an accessory structure at 305 Hill Ave and conditional use permit to build a small apartment to be occupied as living quarters while home is being built. A conditional use permit was also approved for a home based business to store landscape equipment.

Inspection-Report included in packet.

Sewer-Report included in packet.

Elm Springs/Cave Sprigs Fire Dept.-Report included in packet.

Ambulance Report-Report included in packet.

New Business

Mayor Douthit asked that the Council allow Anita Burney representing the Historical Society, be allowed to hold fundraisers here at the community building twice a year as long as they as not for individual gain.

A fundraiser will be held March 17th. May 13th Heritage Day will be celebrated. May 17th is the centennial date for incorporation of Elm Springs as a township.

A motion to allow the Historical Society to allow fundraisers at the community building in the future was made by Jeannie Burks and seconded by Sarah Downum. All approved.

Other Business

The Mayor asked Derl Howerton to address the Council regarding the city's mortgage. Derl Howerton has been working with Mark Bennett at ANRC which holds our loan. The rate on our mortgage began at 5 ¼ %, then 4%, now reduced to 2.75%, which will save the city approximately \$10,000.00 per year. One restriction is that we cannot pay it off earlier than 10 yrs.

With no other business, Sarah Downum made a motion to adjourn. Roberta Peters seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.