

Regular Council Meeting

December 4, 2019

The regular meeting of the Arlington City Council was held on December 4, 2019 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. Present were Councilors: Leslie Walborn, Denise Ball, Marshall Swope, Susan Jones, Kelly Margheim, Mayor Jeffery Bufton, Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm Attorney Ruben Cleaveland and Recorder Pam Rosenbalm. Absent Councilor: Robert Christensen. Guests include: James Wright, Brad Baird, Rod McGuire, Marta Mikkalo and Darrell Potter. Mayor Bufton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance Recited

PUBLIC COMMENT: James Wright was present and stated he and Rick Watkins had previously come to the Council to discuss the possibility of managing the **rock quarry**, since then he has done some research and would like to be on the January Agenda for more discussion. Rod McGuire **representing The Woolery** informed the Council they had gone to County Court today, and asked Brad Baird to explain the process. Brad explained the Arlington Planning Commission had recommended a change for a "Public Gathering Place" to be allowed in the zoned area, where The Woolery is set to be located. County Court held a Public Hearing today and there was no opposition. The County Court voted unanimously to have the first reading of the Ordinance allowing this, with the second reading scheduled for December 18, 2019. The Woolery will need a site plan and a Conditional Use Permit process through the County next. Rod then stated The Oktoberfest had gone well, except the wind was terrible; however there were approximately 225 people in attendance

COMMUNITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE: Marta Mikkalo was present and reported the Chamber will be putting on a New Year's Eve Ball with the Lions Club. Marta said there have been questions about the Wallapooloza, but the New Year's Eve Ball is going on in place of that. December 21, 2019 is the new date for the light judging for houses. Mayor Bufton stated the questions regarding the speed signs are still being discussed with ODOT. Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm had moved the existing speed sign down below City Hall.

BRAD BAIRD-ANDERSON PERRY & ASSOCIATES: Brad Baird was present and stated the Sidewalk Project Contractor has crews working in several areas. With the pay requests that have been turned in, the project appears to be at 69% completion. There was discussion on additional areas that sidewalks could be included in this project. Brad stated there is time for the Council to discuss which areas they would like to see additional sidewalks placed. Councilor Jones questioned who is responsible for the sidewalks, such as snow removal, tree roots and just keeping them safe. Attorney Cleaveland stated the sidewalk is the landowner's responsibility, the right-away allows the public to use the sidewalk, but the homeowner and or business owner is responsible for the safety on the sidewalk. Mayor Bufton signed the pay requests Brad turned in.

CONSENT AGENDA: The consent agenda consisted of the following items: a. Approval of minutes-November 6, 2019. b. Approval of bills as listed. Councilor Ball motioned to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously after a second by Councilor Walborn.

COUNCIL ACTIONS-APPROVE OR DENY:

Resolution No. 701: Councilor Walborn motioned to approve Resolution No. 701, a Resolution to approve transferring money out of contingency. Motion passed unanimously after a second by Councilor Swope.

Resolution No. 702: Recorder Rosenbalm reported this Resolution is in regards to deficiencies noted in annual audit report. Some of these were from the city converting to a cash basis of accounting from accrual. The sanitation expenditures were an accounting error, of starting with the wrong beginning balance. Councilor Ball motioned to approve Resolution No. 702, A Resolution Setting Forth Proposed Plan of Action Pertaining to Deficiencies noted In Annual Audit Report. Motion passed unanimously after a second by Councilor Walborn. Councilor Ball then motioned to accept the 2018-19 audit report. Motion passed unanimously after a second by Councilor Walborn.

NOISE ORDINANCE UPDATE: Councilor Walborn stated she and Councilor Jones had looked at the existing Ordinance, and would like to clear up some of the language that had been used. Attorney Cleaveland stated they could use some of the language he had used in the Noise Ordinance he had drawn up, but was not approved. Councilor Walborn stated she would like to have a Jake Brake sign installed in town. Attorney Cleaveland stated he will get language needed for that update, however the Jake Brake verbiage doesn't need to be in the Ordinance. .

COUNCILORS REPORT:

- Councilor Margheim questioned it is against the law if someone exposes themselves to urinate in public. Attorney Cleaveland stated public indecency, or the like kind of statutes has a sexual purposes element, not just urination. The Sheriff's Office was called and they issued a No Trespass.
- Councilor Jones had no report to give.
- Councilor Swope stated Rod McGuire had given his report, stating again The Woolery had a good turnout for the Oktoberfest.
- Councilor Christensen was absent.
- Councilor Ball had no report to give.
- Councilor Walborn reported the parks and golf are quiet right now. Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm stated they have now installed security cameras at the golf course.
- Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm stated he can rent a scissors lift tomorrow for \$100.00 to put up the Christmas decorations. The Council agreed that was a good idea. Mayor Bufton questioned the restrooms, with regards to the smell that had been brought up. Bill stated he had bought some automatic air fresheners, but will speak with Lenn Ball about a sealant to put on the concrete.

Regular meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Jeffrey Bufton, Mayor

Pam Rosenbalm, Recorder

