WARD CITY COUNCIL
May 14, 2018
MINUTES
6:30 P. M.

Call to Order

Mayor Brooke called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Charles Gastineau to lead the council in prayer. He then asked Chief Staley to lead the council in the Pledge to the American Flag.

Roll Call

The mayor then asked for roll call which follows: Bill Moon-present, Jim Wier-present, Jeff Shaver-present, Gary Matheny-present, Ron Bissett-present, Don Howard-excused, Mayor Brooke-present and Clerk Barclay-present. There was a quorum.

Minutes

Mayor Brooke asked for a motion to approve the April 9, 2018 regularly scheduled council meeting minutes. Mr. Jim Wier brought to the attention of the council an item, specifically that of sidewalks, to be included in new and/or existing ordinances/resolutions for new subdivisions to make them safer and more pleasing to the eye, which was omitted from the April 9 meeting. Mr. Wier was asked to chair a commission to look into changes, which he accepted; then he asked that the omission be instated before approval of the minutes. Ron Bissett motioned; Jim Wier seconded. On voice vote all approved.

Department Reports

The mayor asked for a motion to accept the April 9, 2018 department reports. Jim Wier motioned; Gary Matheny seconded. On voice vote all approved.

Commission Reports

The Ward Planning Commission introduced the Preliminary Plat for Oakland Grove Phase I they also recommended approval of the Final Plat for Heather Lynn Addition Lots 9 thru 12 with changes in their report. The mayor asked for a motion of the recommendation to Heather Lynn. Bill Moon motioned; Gary Matheny seconded. On voice vote all approved. The mayor then asked for a motion to accept the commission’s report. Ron Bissett motioned; Jim Wier seconded. On voice vote all approved.

Mayor’s Report

The council was informed that the sewer plant is approximately 55% complete at this point and ahead of schedule.
Chief Benton was asked to come forward and address the council. He told them that he has 5 (five) city owned vehicles which he would like to have approval to dispose of. He told the council that he has found a new website called Gov deals which is nation-wide and will sell the vehicles at a greater return and at no cost to the city. The following are to be disposed of:

- 2005 Dodge Durango 1D4HB48N95F596284
- 2007 Dodge Durango 1D8HB38P37F570664
- 2004 Ford Expedition 1FMPU16L54LA92829
- 2006 Chevy Pick-up 1GEC19X96Z226366
The mayor asked for approval from the council to permit the chief to proceed with the disposal. Jim Wier motioned; Bill Moon seconded. On voice vote all approved.

The next item to be discussed was the purchase of 7 (seven) acres in the proximity of Ward Park. A map was furnished showing the location of each parcel; lot 13 (thirteen) is approximately 2 (two) acres and the asking price is $18,000.00 and lot 3 (three) is approximately 5 (five) acres with the asking price of $100,000.00 which can be paid in $50,000.00 cash and $50,000.00 in a donation letter from the city. Funds are available for the purchase of these 2 (two) parcels. Mayor Brooke asked for a motion to purchase these properties. Ron Bissett motioned; Jim Wier seconded to purchase the Abshure property (approximately 2 acres) and the Spence property (approximately 5 acres) with Mayor Art Brooke and Clerk John Barclay handling the closing on the properties. Mayor Brooke and Clerk Barclay will be the authorized to sign all documentation required for the purchases. The vote to purchase was 4 (four) yes and 1 (one) no. The motion carried. Mayor Brooke reminded the council of the up and coming 4th of July celebration and asked permission to underwrite the program. Ron Bissett motioned; Jim Wier seconded. On voice vote all approved.

Old Business

New Business

Announcements

Next City Council Meeting will be held June 11, 2018
Planning Commission Meeting will be held May 29, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.
Seniors meet every Thursday at noon
LWPWA Meeting will be held June 12, 2018
Chamber of Commerce Meeting will be held June 5, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

Adjournment

Mayor Brooke asked for a motion to adjourn. Bill Moon motioned; Ron Bissett seconded. On voice vote all approved.

APPROVED DATE:  

June 11, 2018

Art Brooke  

MAYOR

ATTEST:  

John E. Barclay  

CLERK

CITY SEAL