

Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council Meeting September 13th, 2021

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Comments from Citizens – NONE

Approval of the minutes for the August 9th, 2021 Regular Meeting. On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Parsley and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the minutes were approved as presented by a vote of 8-0.

Financial Reports – Mayor Penn presented the financial reports.

Entertain a motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only. On the motion of Council Member Cunningham and a second by Council Member Lipford and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only was approved 8-0.

Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments. Committee Reports - Fire Chief Hellard recognized Rudy Ayala and Dalton Frazier for completing their probationary fire training.

Committee Reports – None

Items to be removed from City of Farmington Inventory – None

Old Business –

Ordinance 2021-10 An ordinance requiring premises to be kept free from weeds, rank grass, garbage, rubbish, and other unsightly and unsanitary articles: requiring property owners to eliminate, fill up or remove stagnant pools of water or any other unsanitary thing, place or condition which might become a breeding place for mosquitoes, flies and germs harmful to the health of the community, prescribing a procedure to be followed in such cases.

Council Member Bryant made a motion to place Ordinance 2021-10 on its third and final reading by title only, it was seconded by Council Member Lipford and after a roll call vote the motion passed 8-0. City Attorney Tennant read the ordinance by title only one time. Mayor Penn asked Shall the Ordinance pass? After a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0.

Ordinance 2021-11 An ordinance providing for the condemnation and removal of houses, buildings and /or structures constituting a nuisance within the corporate city limits providing for a lien on the property: providing for a penalty, therefore and for other purposes.

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New Business

Ordinance 2021-15 – An Ordinance waiving requirements of competitive bidding for the Richmond Road and awarding the contract to Sisemore Paving in the City of Farmington pursuant to A.C.A. 14-58-303 (b) (2) (B)

Council Member Carnahan made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on 3 different dates be suspended and for Ordinance 2021-15 be read 1 time by title only, it was seconded by Council Member Parsley and after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0. City Attorney Tennant read Ordinance 2021-15 by title only. Mayor Penn asked Shall the ordinance pass? After a roll call vote the motion passed 8-0. A motion to pass Ordinance 2021-15 with an Emergency Clause was made by Council Member Carnahan and seconded by Council Member Lipford, after a roll call vote the motion passed 8-0.

Ordinance 2021-16 – An Ordinance to update, revise and adopt provisions for the Farmington Fire Department and repealing all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

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Reward bid for Rainsong Street Drainage Improvements to NEC

On the motion of Council Member Bell and a second by Council Member Mathews and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the bid for NEC in the amount of \$54,964.00 was approved by a vote of 8-0.

There being no further business to come before the council and on the motion of Council Member Bryant and seconded by Council Member Cunningham and by the consent of all members present, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Monday, October 11th, 2021 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved;

Attest

Mayor Ernie L. Penn

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Mayor Ernie L. Penn

Attest

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City Clerk Kelly Penn