

Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council Meeting February 12th, 2018

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday, February 12th, 2018 was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Ernie Penn. City Clerk Kelly Penn called the roll and the following Council Members answered to their names: Patsy Pike, Sherry Mathews, Linda Bell, Brenda Cunningham, Bobby Morgan, Diane Bryant and Shelly Parsley. Also present was City Business Manager Melissa McCarville and City Attorney Tennant. Alderman Lipford arrived after the roll call vote at 6:01 pm. Mayor Penn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments from Citizens – None

Approval of the minutes for the January 8th, 2018 regular meeting of the city council. On the motion of Council Member Bryant and seconded by Council Member Parsley and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the minutes for the meeting were approved as presented 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 Bryant and seconded by Council Member Morgan 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 Cunningham introduced 2 new firefighters, Martin Peters & A.J. Jones.

Committee Reports – All committee reports were included in the council packets.

Items to be removed from City of Farmington Inventory

Removal of Equipment from Police Department, 8 channel DVR/8 cameras serial number ZA0804GB061OE260008, City Tag 0568, destroying only the DVR at this time

Police Chief Hubbard advised he was keeping the cameras and hoping to find another use for them, so he was only requesting removal of the DVR. On the motion of Council Member Cunningham and seconded by Council Member Parsley and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0 to remove the DVR, serial number ZA0804GB061OE260008, City Tag 0568 from inventory.

Removal of Equipment APC Smart 3000 UPS Backup City Business Manager McCarville advised that the backup is failing and new ones have been purchased to replace this in 2017. On the motion of Council Member Bell and seconded by Council Member Bryant and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, it was approved 8-0 to remove the APC Smart UPS backup, inventory tag #362, serial number JS0715018311 from inventory.

Removal of equipment from Library Inventory Librarian Rachel Sawyer advised these computers needed to be removed from library inventory. Computers were purchased in 2011 and had been used as public workstation computers. On the motion of Council Member Bryant and seconded by Council Member Cunningham and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0 to remove the following 5 computers from the Library's inventory: Dell OptiPlex 380, serial # 2WPZZQ1, inventory tag #225, Dell OptiPlex 380, serial # 2WP80R1, inventory tag #226, Dell OptiPlex 390SFF, serial # #9DSSVR1, inventory tag #232, Dell OptiPlex 380, serial # 9DSNVR1, inventory tag #239, Dell OptiPlex 390SFF, serial # #9DSTVR1, inventory tag #217.

New Business

State of the City Address by Mayor Ernie Penn – see attached

Request approval to appoint Council Member Bobby Morgan Vice Mayor

Mayor Penn advised the council that the municipal league advised that all cities needed to appoint a vice mayor in the event that the City Clerk was unable to conduct a meeting in the Mayors absence and he was recommending Council Member Morgan. On the motion of Council Member Lipford and seconded by Council Member Pike and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, Council Member Bobby Morgan was elected Vice Mayor 8-0.

Ordinance No. 2018-02 An Ordinance rezoning property on south 54th Avenue containing approximately 30.19 +/- from A-1, agriculture district to R-1, single family residential as requested by Indian Territory, LLC

Council Member Bryant made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on 3 different dates be suspended and that Ordinance 2018-02 is to be read one time by title only. It was seconded by Council Member Cunningham, and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0. Mayor Penn asked shall the ordinance pass? After a roll call vote it was approved by all those present 8-0. A motion was made by Council Member Bryant and seconded by Council Member Parsley to pass Ordinance 2018-02 with an emergency clause. After a roll call vote, it was approved by all those present 8-0.

Ordinance No. 2018-03 An Ordinance accepting payment for street and storm water drainage improvements, confirming the dedication of certain sidewalks and storm drainage improvements upon completion and for the street improvements of Garland McKee road, all of which pertains to the Hillside estates Subdivision, ad addition to the city of Farmington, Arkansas, upon the fulfillment of certain contingencies, and for other purposes.

Tom Simms advised he was in agreement with the report from Blew and Associates and engineer Chris Brackett. Mayor Penn opened the discussion to the public. Ms. Ethel McKee advised Mayor Penn that her son would be handling the business for her. Bryan Snyder, Foxglove Lane, advised it was absurd to put anymore homes in that area until we have a plan for the drainage, we need the problem fixed before it's redeveloped. Engineer Chris Brackett said the 3 homes currently being constructed there do not impact this issue. The issue the we are addressing is the existing tiles placed there don't adequately handle the flow. Mayor Penn advised the tiles were approved by Washington County and they are at a 90-degree angle and don't handle the flow but the city is being a good neighbor and doing all we can to help fix this. Don McCarthy, Foxglove Lane, asked how will all this be paid for. Mayor Penn advised him that the city will pay for these repairs, not the homeowners. Mr. McCarthy advised after a heavy rain the 2 new homes under construction will be under 4 foot of water. Bryan Snyder, Foxglove Lane, asked if the new homes being built were being built higher. Tom Simms answered the question, yes, 3 feet higher. Bryan Snyder asked why the were being built, the issue was the development across the street, time is of the essence because it will flood. City Building Inspector Bramell replied that the building permits are part of the approved subdivision. The discussion was closed to the public. After discussion from the council, Council Member Bell made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on 3 different dates be suspended and that Ordinance 2018-03 is to be read one time by title only. It was seconded by Council Member Morgan, and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0. Mayor Penn asked shall the ordinance pass? After a roll call vote it was approved by all those present 8-0. A motion was made by Council Member Bryant and seconded by Council Member Parsley to pass Ordinance 2018-03 with an emergency clause. After a roll call vote, it was approved by all those present by a vote of 8-0.

Resolution 2018 – 02 A resolution probating for the adoption of the amended budget for the city of Farmington, Arkansas for the 9 months beginning January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, appropriating money for each item and other purposes.

On the motion of Council Member Cunningham and seconded by Council Member Morgan and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve a resolution probating for the adoption of the amended budget for the City of Farmington,


Arkansas for the 12 months beginning January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, appropriating money for each item and other purposes was approved 8-0.

Resolution 2018-03 A resolution recognizing the opioid epidemic in the United states of America and in Arkansas; and to engage in litigation as a member of the Municipal Legal Defense Program (MLDP) against those entities and those responsible for this societal crisis.

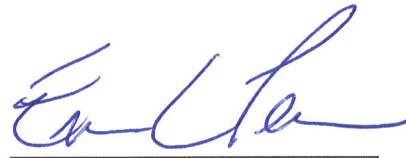
On the motion of Council Member Lipford and seconded by Council Member Bell and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve a resolution recognizing the opioid epidemic in the United states of America and in Arkansas; and to engage in litigation as a member of the Municipal Legal Defense Program (MLDP) against those entities and those responsible for this societal crisis was approved 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 Lipford and by the consent of all members present, the meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Monday March 12th, 2018 at in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved;

Handwritten signature of Kelly Penn in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.

City Clerk Kelly Penn

Handwritten signature of Ernie Penn in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.

Mayor Ernie Penn