Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council Meeting January 9th 2023

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday, January 9th, 2023 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: Diane Bryant, Brenda Cunningham, Sherry Mathews, Hunter Carnahan, Linda Bell, Bobby Morgan and Kara Gardenhire. Also present was City Attorney Jay Moore and City Business Manager McCarville. City Council Member Keith Lipford was absent.

Comments from Citizens

Mayor Penn asked if there was anyone who wished to comment at this time.

Phyllis Young, 546 Goose Creek Road addressed the city council regarding the preliminary plat at Goose Creek, she objected to the approval after 2 years of drainage issues. She expected it to be corrected instead of being ignored. She implored the council to do their due diligence. She will continue to fight to get drainage corrected.

Approval of the minutes for the December 12th, 2022 Regular Meeting.

On the motion of Council Member Cunningham and a second by Council Member Bryant and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the minutes were approved as presented by a vote of 7-0.

Financial Reports.

Mayor Penn presented the financial reports to the City Council. City sales tax increased 8.33% and State sales tax increased 14.02% for the month.

Entertain a motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only.

On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Carnahan 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 7-0.

Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments, Committee Reports

Appoint Planning Commissioner Norm Toering - On the motion of Council Member Bell and a second by Council Member Cunningham and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to appoint Norm Toering to the Planning Commission was approved 7-0. Mr. Toering will fill the seat vacated by Planning Commissioner Jay Moore.

Work Session – Mayor Penn announced there will be a City Council work session on January 30th at 5:30 at City Hall..

ARDOT Meeting -Mayor Penn will be meeting with ARDOT in Little Rock on January 18th,

Committee Reports - None

Items to be removed from City of Farmington Inventory- None

Old Business - None

New Business

Resolution No 2023-01 A Resolution establishing the procedural rules for the City Council of the City of Farmington, Arkansas for 2023.

On the motion of Council Member Carnahan and a second by Council Member Cunningham and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Resolution 2023-01 was approved 7-0. City Attorney Jay Moore read the resolution by title only.

Resolution No 2023-02 A Resolution in support of an application for the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant.

On the motion of Council Member Bell and a second by Council Member Bryant and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Resolution 2023-02 was approved 7-0. City Attorney Jay Moore read the resolution by title only.

Resolution No 2023-03 A Resolution providing for the adoption of the amended budget for the City of Farmington, Arkansas for the 12 months beginning January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022: appropriating money for each item, and for other purposes.

On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Carnahan and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Resolution 2023-03 was approved 7-0. City Attorney Jay Moore read the resolution by title only.

Ordinance No. 2023-01 An ordinance waving competitive bidding for the purchase of three new Dodge Chargers and the equipment to outfit vehicles for the Farmington Police Department.

Mayor Penn called for public comment, there was none. Council Member Carnahan made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on three different dates be suspended and for Ordinance 2023-01 be read one time by title only, it was seconded by Council Member Cunningham and after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 7-0. City Attorney Moore read Ordinance 2023-01 by title only. Mayor Penn asked shall the ordinance pass? After a roll call vote, the motion passed 7-0. A motion to pass Ordinance 2023-01 with an Emergency Clause was made by Council Member Carnahan and seconded by Council Member Morgan after a roll call vote the motion passed 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2023-02 An ordinance to incorporate connectivity provisions into our street standards ordinance and all amendments.

Mayor Penn called for public comment, there was none. Council Member Bryant made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on three different dates be suspended and for Ordinance 2023-02 be read one time by title only, it was seconded by Council Member Carnahan and after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 7-0. City Attorney Moore read Ordinance 2023-02 by title only. Mayor Penn asked shall the ordinance pass? After a roll call vote, the motion passed 7-0. A motion to pass Ordinance 2023-02 with an Emergency Clause was made by Council Member Morgan and seconded by Council Member Carnahan after a roll call vote the motion passed 7-0.

Phyllis Young asked if she could make 2 comments on things the council discussed. She said she knew it was not the right time and she could come back next month. Mayor Penn gave her permission to speak to the council. Her first comment was a request to have subdivisions do the drainage first instead of whenever they want. Her second comment was that the new culvert out on Goose Creek that recently got new cement has some holes in it and could Floyd come look at it. Mayor Penn thanked her for her comments.

There being no further business to come before the council and on the motion of Council Member Morgan and seconded by Council Member Bryant 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, February 13, 2023 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved;

Mayor Ernie Penn

Attest

City Clerk Kelly Penn