

Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council Meeting November 9, 2015

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday November 9, 2015 was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Ernie Penn. City Clerk Kelly Penn called the roll and the following Aldermen answered to their names: Patsy Pike, Sherry Mathews, Keith Lipford, Brenda Cunningham, Bobby Morgan, Diane Bryant and Shelly Parsley. Also present were City Attorney Tennant, and City Business Manager McCarville, City Financial Officer Story.

Mayor Penn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments from Citizens – John Garland, resident on Old Depot Road, asked questions with regards to Ordinance 2015-07 An ordinance levying a tax on the real and personal property within the City of Farmington, Arkansas, for the year 2016 fixing the rate thereof at 5.0 mils and certifying the same to the County Clerk of Washington County, that was passed at the October City Council meeting; Why was the mileage increased? Why was it passed at one meeting instead of 3? Mayor Penn explained this was a renewal of the existing mileage and there was no increase. This is a housekeeping item that is done in accord with Washington County every October and they require it be done and approved by the end of October.

Alderman Bell arrived at 6:05

Approval of the minutes for the October 12, 2015 regular meeting of the city council. – On the motion of Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Cunningham and by the consent of all members present, the minutes for the meeting were approved as presented.

Financial Reports –City Clerk Penn advised that city sales tax was up \$ 7,523.66, county sales tax was up \$2003.67 for a total increase of \$9,527.33. Mayor Penn advised that the city now had a dollar amount for the cost on the Hwy 170 project and even though Resolution 2013-07 gave him approval to proceed, he wanted the council to approve the dollar amount of \$129,762.06 A motion was made by Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Mathews to approve the expenditure as presented. It was approved by all those present.

Entertain a motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only - On the motion of Alderman Cunningham and seconded by Alderman Lipford and by the consent of all members present, the motion was approved.

Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments

Alderman Pike thanked Floyd and his department for all their help with the Garden Club project. Mayor Penn announced the Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony will be November 28th at 5:00pm. The city council work session will be November 30th for the Creekside Park Project.

Committee Reports – NONE

Items to remove from City of Farmington Inventory –

Removal of Computer Dell OptiPlex 745 from city inventory, Serial number #B12M2D1, inventory tag # 360.

City staff recommended the removal of the Dell OptiPlex 745, it is not working. On the motion of Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Bryant and by the consent of all members present, the motion was approved to remove from inventory Dell Computer OptiPlex 745, Serial # B12M2D1, inventory tag # 360.

Unfinished Business –

Ordinance 2015-08 An ordinance to vacate an easement on lot 12, Owl Creek Subdivision, to the City of Farmington, Arkansas and for other purposes.

On the motion of Alderman Morgan and seconded by Alderman Cunningham and by the consent of all members present, a motion was made to place Ordinance 2015-08 on its second reading by title only.

New Business

Ordinance 2015-09 An ordinance to approve the interlocal agreement for ambulance services and for expanded membership in the Washington County Regional Ambulance Authority with Washington County, Arkansas.

On the motion of Alderman Lipford and seconded by Alderman Mathews and by the consent of all members present, a motion was made to suspend the rules of reading the ordinance 3 separate times and place it on 1 reading by title only. Ordinance 2015-09 was approved. City Attorney Tennant read Ordinance 2015-09 by title only. Mayor Penn asked ‘Shall the Ordinance pass?’ It was approved by all members present. A motion was made by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Cunningham to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance 2015-09. It was approved by all members present.

Resolution 2015-10 – A resolution in support of the GIF Fire Protection Grant On the motion of Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Bryant and by the consent of all members present, Resolution 2015-10 was approved. City Attorney Tennant read Resolution 2015-10 by title only.

Resolution 2015-11 – A resolution providing for the adoption of a budget for the City of Farmington, Arkansas, for the twelve (12) months beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016, appropriating money for each item of expenditure therein provided for; and for other purposes

On the motion of Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Mathews and by the consent of all members present, Resolution 2015-11 was approved. City Attorney Tennant read Resolution 2015-11 by title only.

Request approval to purchase a police unit – 2015 Dodge Ram 1500 Crew Cab.

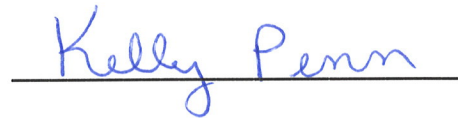
Police Chief Hubbard requested the purchase of 2015 Dodge Ram Crew Cab not to exceed \$30,000.00. On the motion of Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Lipford and by the consent of all members present, the motion was approved.

There being no further business to come before the council and on the motion of Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Lipford and by the consent of all members present, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Monday December 14, 2015 at 6:00 pm, in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved;

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Mayor Ernie Penn

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City Clerk Kelly Penn