

Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council Meeting on June 10, 2013

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday, June 10, 2013 was called to order at 6:00 p.m. 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, Janie Steele, Brenda Cunningham, Bobby Morgan, Terry Yopp and Shelly Parsley. A quorum was declared (8). Also present were City Business Manager McCarville, City Attorney Tennant and City Financial Office Jimmy Story. After Mayor Penn led the pledge of allegiance, he then opened the public comment portion of the meeting for citizens. There were no speakers

Approval of the minutes for May 13, 2013 Meeting - The minutes were amended to reflect a 2007 GMC truck was purchased rather than a 1997 model. On the motion of Alderman Yopp and seconded by Alderwoman Steele and by the consent of all members present, the minutes were approved, accepted and filed as amended by the City Clerk (8/0).

Financial Reports – Mayor Penn advised the purchase for the new Library building was complete. City sales tax was up \$2,839.79, County sales tax was up \$3,602.55 for a total increase of \$6,442.34.

Entertain a motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only – On the motion of Alderman Yopp and seconded by Alderman Lipford and by the consent of all members present (8/0), it was approved to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only at this meeting.

Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments

The 4th of July fireworks will be held on Saturday July 6th. Planning Commissioner Judy Horne was recognized for her efforts and hard work on the Planning Commission. Mayor Penn presented her with a key to the city.

Mayor Penn advised Aldermen to remember they are representatives of the city and when making comments to the citizens they need to make sure they conduct themselves in a professional manner.

Committee Reports –

Street Committee – Alderman Morgan complimented the street department, the right of ways were looking great.

City Beautification Committee – Alderwoman Cunningham advised they are still waiting on grant money.

Economic Development Committee - Mayor Penn and Alderman Yopp advised the committee was exploring hotel development and they would be working closely with local business leaders.

Parks & Recreation Committee – Alderwoman Mathews advised they were looking for a brick mason to donate some labor for the project at the sports complex.

Finance Committee – No meeting.

Historical Preservation Committee – Alderwoman Steele advised they were still doing lots of research and had a lot of people giving them good information.

New Business

Resolution No. 3013-04 – Setting a public hearing to discuss the closing of an easement at 125 Terry Street.

Resident Mindy Houston addressed the council regarding the request and gave the council a brief overview of the drainage issue and their plans for a concrete driveway. On the motion of Alderman Yopp and Alderwoman Steele a motion was made to set July 8th as a public hearing for the closing of an easement at 125 Terry Street, the motion passed 8/0.

Ordinance No. 2013-03 Prescribing and Regulating Landscaping

Mayor Penn read an e-mail from resident Ashley Phillips with regards to this ordinance (see attached). Planning Commissioner Judy Horne addressed the council and answered brief questions.

Alderman Yopp said he would like to see entry way maintenance addressed in this ordinance. Citizen Richard Romero inquired if the city had a storm water ordinance. A motion was made by Alderman Yopp and seconded by Alderwoman Cunningham to place Ordinance 2013-03 on its first reading by title only, it was approved by the consent of all members present (8/0). City Attorney Tennant read the Ordinance.

Resolution No. 2013-05 Expressing the willingness of the City of Farmington to utilize state and street monies.

On the motion of Alderwoman Mathews and Alderman Lipford a motion was made to approve Resolution 2013-05. The motion passed 8/0.

There being no further business to come before the Council, and on the motion of Alderman Yopp and Seconded by Alderman Lipford and by the consent of all members present, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m., until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, July 8th, 2013 at six o'clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved;



Mayor Ernie Penn


City Clerk Kelly Penn