

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE,
ARKANSAS HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF CITY HALL ON NOVEMBER 14, 2016 AT
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT AND PRESIDING: Mayor Mark Simpson, City Attorney Bruce Wilson and City Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Blackard

ALDERMEN PRESENT: Edward Bradley, Heather Johnston, Eddie King, Robert Norris, Danna Schneider and Freeman Wish.

Alderman Norris made a motion to approve the Agenda which Alderman Wish seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Alderman Bradley made a motion to approve the Minutes which Alderman Schneider seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution regarding Condemnation of Property located at 903 Ash

Mayor Simpson presented the Resolution regarding Condemnation of Property located at 903 Ash. The Clerk read the Resolution Alderman Schneider made a motion to approve the Resolution which Alderman Norris seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Resolution No. 16-1056 passed 6-0.

Resolution supporting State's efforts to amend laws regarding Eminent Domain

Mayor Simpson introduced the Resolution supporting the State's efforts to amend laws regarding Eminent Domain. Alderman Schneider made a motion to approve the Resolution which Alderman Wish seconded. After discussion the following vote was recorded.

Vote aye: None

Vote nay: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Motion failed 6-0.

2017 Budget

Mayor Simpson presented the proposed 2017 Budget and stated that a Budget Committee meeting would be held on November 16th at 4:00p.m., no action was taken.

Approval of Funds for preliminary work on Clark Road

Tom Cogan requested \$50,000.00 from the Street Improvements Fund to be used for the initial survey and the right of way purchase for Clark Road. Alderman Norris made a motion to approve \$50,000.00 from the Street Improvement Funds for the preliminary work on Clark Road. Alderman King seconded the motion.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Motion passed 6-0.

Re-appointment of Edward Anderson to Clarksville Light & Water Commission

Alderman Schneider made a motion to re-appoint Edward Anderson to the Clarksville Light & Water Commission which Alderman Wish seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Motion passed 6-0.

Appointment of Commissioner to replace Jerry Coffee on the Clarksville Light & Water Commission

Alderman Norris made a motion to appoint Bendex Stevenson to the Clarksville Light & Water Commission which Alderman Johnston seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Motion passed 6-0.

Contract from Independence County – Clarksville Light & Water

General Manager John Lester reviewed the Contract from Independence County with the Council. Alderman Wish made a motion to approve the Contract which Alderman Bradley seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Motion passed 6-0.

Council discussion on how they want to be contacted by the public

Forms were distributed for the Council to fill out with information they would like the public to have. Alderman Wish asked that a City email address be assigned to each council member as a method for the public to contact the council. Mayor Simpson stated that he would have email addresses assigned.

Update on 911 status

Alderman Schneider stated she had contacted the mapping company and they were waiting for information from the 911 Committee. Alderman King stated he would have the 911 Committee meet.

New Fire Department

The council reviewed the bids received for the new Fire Station to be located on Massengale Road. Alderman King made a motion to award the bid to the low bidder Western Millwright for \$601,700.00, adjust the budget to include the expenditure and authorized the Mayor to sign the contract. Alderman Schneider seconded the motion.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Motion passed 6-0.

Nature Trail

Tom Cogan stated the Nature Trail was complete and requested the budget be adjusted in the amount of \$15,000.00. Alderman King made a motion to adjust the Community Projects Fund an additional \$15,000.00 for the Nature Trail Expansion which Alderman Bradley seconded.

Vote aye: Aldermen Bradley, Johnston, King, Norris, Schneider and Wish.

Motion passed 6-0.

Reports

A & P

Eddie King stated the A & P Commission had met on November 3rd and approved \$1,100.00 for the Holiday Trail of Lights to advertise the Christmas Parade and lighting of the square.

City Hall

Alderman Schneider reported the Architect would be here on November 29th for the Study of the Armory.

Economic Development

Economic Development Activity Update was submitted by Kellie Danielson.

Fire

Fire Chief Clark Gray submitted the monthly report (copy attached).

Parks

Parks Department monthly report was submitted (copy attached).

Police

Police Chief Kevin Weathers submitted the monthly report (copy attached).

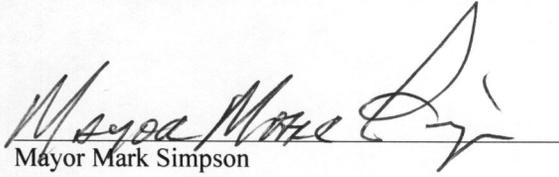
Street

Monthly report submitted (copy attached).

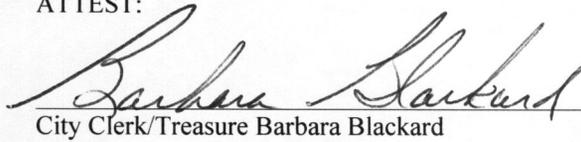
Treasurer

Treasurer's Report, Budget Comparison, Disbursements and the Bond Activity Summary were submitted.

After motion being made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


Mayor Mark Simpson

ATTEST:


City Clerk/Treasure Barbara Blackard