

MINUTES OF MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

MCCRORY, ARKANSAS

OCTOBER 10, 2022

The City Council of McCrory met in regular session on October 10, 2022

Mayor Doyle Fowler opened and presided over the meeting.

Next was Pledge of Allegiance, then prayer led by Council Member Ronnie Massanelli.

Roll call was given by City Clerk Karen Harrison and answered by members of the Council, Travis Taylor, Lou Dallas, Mary Whitlock, Ronnie Massanelli, Amanda Austin, and Ryan Hollowell. A quorum was established.

Council Member Austin made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Council Member Hollowell gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries.

Mayor Fowler gave an update to projects going on in the city. We are waiting for motor for the clarifier, Jim Harrison hasn't been able to find anyone to do the fencing at the plant, and the sewer plant is waiting on parts. Mayor Fowler told the council that Reni Wallis is doing the Halloween parade this year. All children are allowed to trick or treat this year, so Mayor Fowler wants to make traffic one way for the safety of our children. After some discussion Council Member Holloway made a motion to have one way traffic from Kimberly St. to Taylor Street, then Reynolds St. to Wade St., then out to be started at 5:00 p.m. and ending at 9:00 p.m. There is also to be a 9:00 p.m. curfew. Council Member Austin gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries.

Next was Animal Control Officer April Wagner. April reported that a dog at the pound just had puppies. She is still working with NEA and TAPS to get the dogs out of the pound. April and the mayor reported that April's husband is taking off one day this week to finish the concrete at the pound so more kennels can be added. Council Member Dallas requested plastic and wiring under the concrete.

Next was Chief of Police Brad Bevills with his monthly report. The Chief reported \$29,490.50 in collection, with 164 misdemeanors and 4 felony cases. Last month Brad ordered a Ford Interceptor Hybrid and found that the dealer is no longer accepting orders on that vehicle. He found a Dodge Durango at Red River Dodge and pre-ordered. Flora with USDA for the grant package, called when we ordered the AED's. Since the grant for the AEDs is going to take a long time, Brad asked the council to cancel the grant for the AEDS and add the AEDs in the new car grant. Council Member Austin made a motion to cancel the grant for the AED's. Council Member Dallas gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries. Council Member Austin made a motion to cancel the Ford Hybrid. Council Member Massanelli gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries. Council Member Austin made a motion to apply for a grant for the Dodge Durango, the AEDs, and the equipment for the vehicle. Council Member Massanelli gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries.

Next was Fire Chief Joe Slocum III. Joe reported that the trucks have been tested and they passed. We have a burn ban in effect for Woodruff County.

Water & Sewer Superintendent Jim Harrison next gave his report. Jim reported the department has been fixing water leaks and fixed 6 last week. Council Member Massanelli told Jim that after they drilled on 3rd st there seems to be a sewage smell. Massanelli also asked Jim about people trying to make payments but the payment box at city hall has been closed. Jim told him that we have had a problem with someone taking payments out of the box. Currently people have to pay during regular business hours or online. The problem is going to be fixed. There is a new camera system at city hall that should show if anyone messed with the box again.

No one was available for Parks & Tourism. Mayor Fowler told the council that Reni Wallis painted the concession stand. Council Member Austin asked why the electric bill was so high. Jim Harrison told her that Pee Wee football is using lights at the present.

In new business Mayor Fowler asked the council to pass resolution #2022-08 which is a resolution authorizing the mayor to execute all documents for the delta regional authority project for the loading dock at worldwide labeling and packaging. Council Member Austin made a motion to pass resolution #2022-08. Council Member Massanelli gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries

In old business Mayor Fowler told the council that the concrete for the new dog pens is getting done.

Also, in old business Mayor Fowler brought up amending Ordinance #256, which regulates farm animals in the city limits. After a lot of discussion Council Member Austin made a motion to table this issue until next month. Council Member Massanelli gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries. Council Member Massanelli made a motion to determine where the city limits actually are with a survey. Council Member Austin gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries.

Council Member Austin made a motion to pay the bills. Council Member Massanelli gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries.

Council Member Whitlock made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Austin gave a second. All voted yeah. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned.