CITY OF CEDARVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES August 15, 2017

The regular monthly City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Mark Isenhower after he declared that a quorum was present. A moment of silence was followed by the pledge of allegiance. Council members present were Alderman Breshears, Alderman Johnson, Alderman McClendon and Alderman Odom.

A motion to approve the July regular monthly meeting minutes was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman McClendon. Passed 4-0

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Sandy Cook. End of July balances for each account were read. A motion to approve the August Financial report was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Street Supervisor Marlin Evans reported that the maintenance shop was completed. The department has been busy reshaping roads after heavy rains, cleaning out ditches, and replacing a culvert on Lucian Wood Road. Sod has been ordered for the areas around the maintenance building.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 11 citizen calls, 2 assists for other agencies, 4 traffic citations, 12 warning citations, 1 accident, and 2 reports filed.

Fire Chief Don Rosson reported 2 medical calls and 1 fire call. The department has been assessing residential property for fire hazards as part of the Fire Wise program. Completion of 80% of the city homes will qualify the Fire Department for a \$1000.00 grant from the Arkansas State Forestry Commission. 110 assessments have been completed to date. An additional \$3500.00 grant can be obtained on an hourly rate as the department helps landowners reduce fire hazards.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall cleanup for the community is scheduled for October 14, 2017. Two 30 yard dumpsters will be provided, one by Crawford County and the other by the City of

Cedarville. The dumpsters will be placed inside the red gate beside the fire department. Gates will open at 7 a.m. and will remain open until the dumpsters are full or 5 p.m., whichever occurs first. A list of prohibited items will be provided.

The maintenance shop has been completed. The Mayor suggested that security cameras be placed on the building to monitor the building, public restrooms and park. The council asked the Mayor to obtain prices.

The 50/50 Hazard Mitigation Grant from the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management has been approved. This grant will be used to replace the low water bridge on Neal Road. The estimated cost of the project requires an engineer to draw the plans and acquire any required permits. The City will advertise for sealed bids when the plans are complete.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

An amended 2017 budget was presented to the council by Mayor Isenhower. Treasurer Sandy Cook explained the changes made to the original budget. Many of the adjustments were grants received and city sales tax collected so far. A motion to approve Resolution # 2017-08-15-01 to amend the 2017 budget was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Resolution # 2017-08-15-02 authorizing the Mayor to enter into another one year contract with Cedarville Public Schools for a School Resource Officer was presented by Mayor Isenhower. A motion to approve Resolution # 2017-08-15-02 was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

Ordinance # 2017-08-15-01, establishing procedures for municipal maintenance for red signed roads located within the city, was presented by Mayor Isenhower. It was suggested the ordinance be tabled until all Council Members could further review it. Alderman Breshears asked that the proposed ordinance be posted on the city website. A motion to table Ordinance # 2017-08-15-01 was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Ordinance # 2017-08-15-02, promoting open disclosure of city business was presented by Mayor Isenhower. A motion to waive the rules and read the ordinance only once was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Odom. Roll call: Alderman Odom-yes, Alderman McClendon-yes,

Alderman Johnson-yes, Alderman Breshears-yes. Passed 4-0

Mayor Isenhower read Ordinance # 2017-08-15-02. A motion to adopt the ordinance was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

A motion to declare Ordinance # 2017-08-15-02 an emergency and placed into effect as soon as posted was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Roll call: Alderman Breshears-yes, Alderman Johnson-yes, Alderman McClendon-yes, Alderman Odom-yes. Passed 4-0

The rental of the city hall complex on holidays was discussed. Rental of the complex requires the availability of a city employee or city official to open and close the building on the holiday. After much discussion, a motion to decline rental of the complex on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

A motion to add an item to the agenda was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

The Neal Road bridge replacement requires the services of a civil engineer which will most likely exceed the Mayor's spending limit. A motion authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract with an engineer for a fee of up to \$5000 was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

MAYOR

RECORDER/TREASURER