# CITY OF CEDARVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES June 20, 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 Odom, Alderman Breshears, and Alderman Johnson. Alderman McClendon was at the hospital with his father.

A motion to approve the May regular monthly meeting minutes was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

A motion to approve the May 30th special council meeting minutes was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Sandy Cook. End of May balances for each account were read. A motion to approve the June Financial report was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

No street department reports was given as Street Supervisor Marlin Evans was attending a funeral visitation.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 17 citizen calls, 1 assist for another agency, 6 warning citations, 3 alarms answered, 2 accidents attended, 1 arrest made and 7 reports filed. The Crawford County Sheriff's Department has donated the use of a 2007 Dodge Durango 4X4 complete with repeater, lights, and radio. It will require repairs before being placed into service.

Fire Chief Don Rosson reported 6 medical calls and 2 storm damage calls requiring the removal of trees from the roads. The fire department has received the brush truck purchased from Central City Fire Department.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Doyle Crowley of Homestead Rd. stated his road has not been graded in over three months and there are no rocks left on the road. Mayor Isenhower stated that the

City has found a part-time grader operator who is being familiarized with the new grader controls.

Diana Hamilton of Sunset Lane asked how red road name sign roads (private roads) can be made green road named sign roads (city roads). Sunset Lane is traveled by meals on wheels and Cedarville School buses.

Pat Cluck Bishop of Willow Creek stated that some of the red sign roads were in existence before Cedarville became incorporated and there was no one to ask about road specifications. She asked if those roads could be grandfathered into the city.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

At 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> there will be a meeting at City Hall with the Cedarville Waterworks, Western Arkansas Planning and Development, Hawkins & Weir Engineering and Representative Charlene Fite to discuss grants to extend water services to more city residents.

The Street Department maintenance shop is under construction with a projected completion date of the end of June or first part of July.

The first city sales tax check is expected on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

There will be a fireworks display at dark on Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at the Cedarville Schools hosted by Cedarville Assembly of God church.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Resolution # 2017-06-20-01 authorizing the mayor to apply for a State Hazard Mitigation 50/50 grant was read by Mayor Isenhower. The grant would be matched by City funds and used to replace the low water bridge on Neal Road. The project has been estimated to cost \$58,000 (\$29,000 paid by the grant, \$29,000 paid by the City). After discussion, a motion to approve Resolution # 2017-06-20-01 was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

Resolution # 2017-06-20-02 authorizing the mayor to apply for a Community Oriented Policing Services Grant (COPS) for services of a School Resource

Officer (SRO) was read by Mayor Isenhower. The grant would provide 75% of the funds needed for an SRO for three years with the Cedarville Schools contributing the remaining 25%. During discussion, City Attorney Sean Brister recommended the city obtain an updated contract with the school if the grant is approved. A motion to approve Resolution # 2017-06-20-02 was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Mayor Isenhower presented the need to purchase four level II police vests and outer carriers for the police department. Grant money is available to cover \$2271.80 of the \$3151.97 cost. To receive the grant money, the purchase must be made and the receipt submitted for reimbursement. A motion to approve the purchase was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

The repairs needed for the donated 2007 Dodge Durango to be placed into service in the Cedarville police department were discussed. A replacement crate motor (with 3 year warranty), belts, hoses and water pump are estimated to cost \$4500. The 2003 Durango will be transferred to the fire department for use as a first responder vehicle. A motion to approve \$4500 for the 2007 Durango repairs was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

City roads were discussed. Mayor Isenhower explained that the City Road Department maintains roads and right of ways for "city" roads. City roads are signed with a green road name sign. Roads not maintained by the City, "non-city" private roads are signed with a red road name sign. Mayor Isenhower stated the Arkansas Supreme Court's "public purpose" ruling prohibits him from using city funds on private property. City Attorney Sean Brister explained that the red sign roads would have to be dedicated to the City by the property owners and the City would have to accept the roads as city roads for the city to maintain these roads. All landowners must agree to the dedication which would include road right-of-way easements. A motion to table discussion until more information could be obtained was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 3-0

With no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

Recorder/Treasurer