CITY OF CEDARVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES March 17, 2020

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 McClendon, Alderman Breshears and Alderman Johnson.

A motion to approve the February 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 February balances for each account were read and the March Financial Report was reviewed. A motion to approve the March Financial Report was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 4-0

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Grounds Supervisor Kenneth Brenton reported that roads are being graded when weather permits. Rain has prohibited grading. The department has been cleaning out ditches and culverts to keep water flowing correctly. The department is in the process of renovating the trailer purchased to haul the bigger equipment.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 23 citizen calls, 5 assists to other agencies, 5 citations, 32 warning citations, 0 alarms answered, 1 accident, 6 arrests, 8 felonies and misdemeanor reports filed, 6 warrants served and 23 complaint reports.

Fire Chief Cody Cooper reported 20 calls since last reported in January, 11 medical and 9 fire calls. The Fire Academy has suspended training sessions during the coronavirus pandemic. County Dispatchers are routing all First Responder calls through Southwest EMS for medical screening before dispatching First Responders.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Census requests will be arriving in the mail soon. Encourage all to fill out and return the census. An accurate count is important. Funding is based on total population.

Spring Clean-up is scheduled for April 18 pending quarantine. Two 30 yard 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. Only non-commercial personal household items will be accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Isenhower presented Resolution # 2020-03-17-01, to release funds held in trust for future fire hydrants in the Moore Acres subdivision, which was never developed, upon confirmation from Crawford County that the property is no longer subdivided. A motion to approve Resolution # 2020-03-17-01 was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

A motion to replatt and rename Moore Acres Tract 1-4 to be Moore Acres Tract 1-A, to accept the survey and authorize the Mayor to sign the survey, was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman McClendon. Passed 4-0

Mayor Isenhower discussed the Planning Commission members and recommended persons who have volunteered to be appointed. Mayor Isenhower, Alderman McClendon, Becky Ivy, Mavis Lawson, and Jeremy Yeager were named for appointment. The Commission allows for seven members. The Mayor asked for volunteers or names of potential volunteers. A motion to appoint the five volunteers was made by Alderman Odom and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Mayor Isenhower presented the State of the City Address. The Mayor discussed the Covid-19 pandemic and emphasized the Governor had declared a state of emergency. He encouraged the citizens to take the recommended precautions to limit themselves to exposure to the virus.

The Mayor reported the legislative audit for 2018 was conducted last year and resulted in no findings for the fourth calendar year in a row.

For the year 2019, the City spent \$11,052 more than it took in and used reserve funds to balance the budget. \$12,000 was transferred in January 2019 from General to Street to pay additional principal on the Road Improvement Loan.

A high priority last year was to enhance the capabilities of the Fire Department and prepare for the ISO inspection. Approximately \$99,000 was spent to upgrade the Fire Department equipment to improve capability and meet guidelines required for the ISO inspection. \$13,000 was received for the sale of an older fire truck and \$12,293 was received from a 50/50 Rural Services grant. Updated equipment was purchased, additional volunteers were recruited and more training was completed. Three fire hydrants were purchased for installation and two have been installed. The Street Department purchased a newer and larger dump truck and much needed shop tools. Vehicle repeaters were donated by Sheriff Ron Brown and installed in police cars.

In 2020 the focus will be to reset the Planning Commission, construct a city plan and place on the ballot in November an issue to de-annex specific portions of the city.

Alderman Odom suggested the City discuss a clean-up Ordinance. The issue will be discussed at a later date.

A motion to hold a special council meeting on Thursday, March 19, at 5:00 to drive the City roads and plan for future improvements was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

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

Mayor

Recorder/Treasurer