

CITY OF CEDARVILLE
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 2015

The regular monthly city council meeting was called to order by Mayor Mark Isenhower. A moment of silence was followed by the pledge of allegiance. Council members present were Alderman Odom, Alderman McClendon, Alderman Prater and Alderman Breshears.

A motion to approve the September minutes was made by Alderman Breshears and second by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

Treasurer Sandy Cook reported \$9665.69 was paid to the IRS for 2012 and 2013 payroll taxes that had not been paid by the previous administration. A waiver for penalties and interest has been requested. Also \$6000.00 was paid to the Alma, Arkansas Police Department for the two cars for the police department. A motion to approve the financial reports was made by Alderman McClendon and second by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Auditor Miranda Liggett recommended the January, 2015 minutes be amended. The motion to replace Brenda Breshears with Sandy Cook on the bank accounts was not properly documented. A motion to approve the amended or corrected January, 2015 monthly minutes was made by Alderman Breshears and second by Alderman Odom.
Passed 4-0

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Street Supervisor Marlin Evans reported replacing a culvert and spreading gravel on Strawberry Lane, gravel placed on Millpond Road, cleaning around bridge on Neal Road which is in need of replacement), cleaning ditches on Big Cedar and working on the bridge on Creekway. The Thompson Lane project has been completed. The City has received FEMA money to repair weather damaged roads. Timber is being cut on Brauner Loop. The Timber Company placed a culvert in the ditch to help with water flow. The City will monitor the condition of the road.

Police Chief Donnie Threet reported 23 calls, 3 misdemeanors, 3 felonies, 5 citations and 5 assists. All Cedarville City officers have qualified with the new weapons, all scoring at least 480/500. All officers have new uniforms and are to receive new hats. Clifford Cope was introduced as the new criminal investigator. The department has applied for a Walmart grant.

Fire Chief Jesse Hiatt reported 8 medical calls and 1 grass fire. A burn ban is in effect. There should be no outside burning. Mayor Isenhower has obtained a \$1978 GIF grant for handheld radios with separate microphones. Chief Hiatt submitted a bid for painting the fire department Crown Victoria and replacing the emblems on the side (\$250 +approx. \$200 for emblems). The fire hydrant in front of the fire station is functional but will not shut off. The Water Department is responsible for repairing the hydrant.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Financial Accounting Compliance Engagement with the state auditor was just completed for 2014 financial records. We were required to answer many questions and search the files for numerous documents. Some items have been corrected already, other documents were not found and will be

reported as findings. The findings are not public information at present. After the findings are reported and approved by the proper authorities in Little Rock and we receive the published copy, they will be presented at the following council meeting. The auditor did report that after Brenda Breshears (the treasurer before our current treasurer) took office the financial records definitely improved and are continuing to improve with our current treasurer.

A \$1978 grant for Fire Department radios was approved through the General Improvement Fund. When the money has been direct deposited to the city's account, the radios for the fire department can be ordered.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Darren Langley requested that the city remove the name plate on the front of City Hall because it contained names of persons who were convicted of felonies while serving and removed from office. A motion to add this item to the agenda was made by Alderman McClendon and second by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council Members were asked if they wish to continue pursuing the civil suit against former treasurer, Aliscon Reding. It was agreed to table it for one more month until we hear from the IRS about the waiver of penalties and interest.

The Millpond project is progressing but it has been reported that the contractor is behind on the time line. The contractor is operating under the supervision of the State Highway Department who is monitoring the progress.

A bid of approximately \$4500 was submitted last month for a new 2 cubic yard salt and sand spreader that attaches to the dump truck. Currently, employees stand in the back of the truck and shovel the sand or salt on the road. Brenda Breshears stated that the purchase of the spreader is cheaper than paying medical costs for an injured employee falling from the truck. A motion to purchase the spreader was made by Alderman Breshears and second by Alderman Prater. Passed 4-0

NEW BUSINESS

The City has received \$12007.32 in FEMA money to repair weather damaged roads. The State will pay an additional \$2000 upon completion and approval of the repairs. A motion to appropriate these funds for repairs on the designated roads was made by Alderman Odom and second by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Alderman McClendon introduced a proposal to appropriate \$400 per month for the Treasurer's salary. Alderman Breshears suggested that the treasurer be given a \$400 bonus to compensate her for all the hours spent working with the auditor. City Attorney Sean Brister stated that municipal salaries are set by ordinance. The proposal was tabled until City Attorney Brister drafts the ordinance. In order for the salary to begin in November, a Special City Council Meeting was scheduled for October 27, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to vote on the ordinance.

Alderman McClendon suggested the City allocate a certain amount for future road improvements,

specifically Cedarville Road. A motion to allocate \$75,000 from General fund to Street fund on the 2016 budget to chip and seal Cedarville Road from Hwy 162 to Lucian Wood Road was made by Alderman McClendon and second by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

A motion to amend the previous motion to allocate the \$75000 from General Fund in 2016 and obtain bids for the project was made by Alderman McClendon and second by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0
Further allocation of the money retrieved from the embezzlement was tabled until figures can be presented showing the balance of funds.

Chief Threet requested the purchase of RPS software for the police department. The software is sold by Re=lativity Inc. of Jonesboro. Chief Polk of Dyer discussed all of the different functions of the program and how it records everything for the department. By law all activities must be reported to the Federal Government. This system links with and reports to the FBI. The initial license fee costs \$2180 with an annual fee of \$500. A Jag Grant of approximately \$4900, as well as other grants, will be available to the police department each year after acquisition of this program. A motion to purchase the RPS license was made by Alderman McClendon and second by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Mayor Isenhower approved \$450.00 for the fire department to paint the Crown Victoria. No objections.

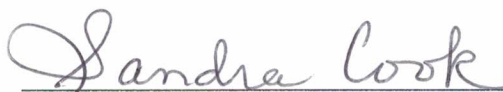
Alderman McClendon made a motion to remove the plaque from the front of City^{Hall} and discuss a replacement at the next regular council meeting. After discussion among the Council and citizens, it was suggested that a plan was needed before removal. Alderman McClendon retracted his motion. The item was tabled and citizens were encouraged to come to the next regular monthly meeting to discuss the plaque.

Brenda Breshears suggested the possibility of obtaining a grant through WAPPD to pay for the RPS license.

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman McClendon and second by Alderman Breshears.
Passed 4-0



Mayor



Recorder/Treasurer

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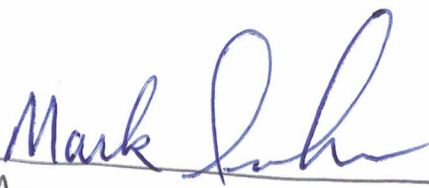
The October 27th Special Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Mark Isenhower. Council members present were Alderman Odom, Alderman McClendon, Alderman Prater and Alderman Breshears.

A motion was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears to waive the reading of Ordinance # 2015-10-27-1 and read the title only. Passed 4-0

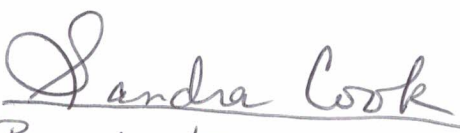
Mayor Isenhower read the ordinance title three times for Ordinance 2015-10-27-1, an ordinance setting the salaries of elected officials for the City of Cedarville, Arkansas, declaring an emergency, and for other related purposes. The salaries were set as follows: Mayor - \$0.00 per month, Recorder/Treasurer - \$400.00 per month, and Alderman - \$0.00 per month.

A motion to approve Ordinance # 2015-10-27-1 was made by Alderman Breshears and second by Alderman Prater. Passed 4-0

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Breshears and second by Alderman McClendon. Passed 4-0



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