## CITY OF CEDARVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES September 15, 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 McClendon, Alderman Breshears Alderman Odom and Alderman Johnson.

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

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

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Grounds Supervisor Kenneth Brenton reported the department has been trimming trees and cutting brush on roadsides. Repairs to chip and seal roads should be completed soon.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 26 citizen calls, 3 assists to other agencies, 20 citations, 27 warning citations, 1 alarm answered, 2 accidents, 3 arrests, 6 felonies and misdemeanor reports filed, 2 warrants served and 12 complaint reports. Officer Wade Rogers was introduced as the new SRO for Cedarville Schools.

Lt. Archie Hyatt reported no fires this month and very few medical calls. One fire truck had maintenance issues that have been addressed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2020 census in progress via house to house surveys is near completion. An accurate census is very important to the City.

Community Clean-up is scheduled for October 10. 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.

Early Voting for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> election begins October 19. The City encourages everyone to vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

**NEW BUSINESS** 

Alderman McClendon suggested that the City provide dumpsters again in November to accommodate citizens who need to clean up their property in compliance with the recently approved Clean-up Ordinance. A motion to provide two dumpsters in November was made by Alderman Breshears and seconded by Alderman McClendon. Passed 4-0

Discussion was held concerning a date/format for a Town Hall meeting to explain and answer questions concerning the de-annexation ballot issue. It was suggested the information be placed on the City website, on Facebook on 'In and Around Cedarville', Channel 5 news and flyers placed in various locations in the City including on the dumpsters on Clean-up day. A motion to hold a town hall meeting at the City Park pavilion on Tuesday, October 6, at 6:00 p.m. was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Alderman McClendon asked the City Council to consider a raise for the part-time police officers. A motion to increase the part-time police officer pay from \$13 per hour to \$15 per hour effective September 1, 2020 was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 4-0

Discussion was held concerning the backhoe. Currently the backhoe maintenance has been done by Grounds Supervisor Kenny Brenton in order to keep it running. The backhoe needs more extensive repairs. It was suggested that a maintenance repair for large equipment be contacted and get an estimate for repairs.

Alderman Odom stated his concern for the need for additional personnel for the Street Department. He suggested the City aggressively advertise for another part-time employee.

A motion to place an advertisement on the City website page and Facebook for a part-time Street Department employee was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Odom. Passed 4-0

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

Mayor

Recorder/Treasurer