

CITY OF CEDARVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 19, 2023

The regular monthly City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Deborah Pinkerton after she 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 and Alderman Johnson. Alderman Odom was absent.

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

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 Breshears and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Passed 3-0

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Grounds Supervisor Kenneth Brenton reported the department has been busy cleaning out ditches, mowing, grading roads and filling potholes.

Police Chief Ken Howard reported 24 citizen calls, 2 assists to other agencies, 5 citations, 3 warning citations, 1 alarm answered, 3 accident, 1 arrest, 5 felonies and misdemeanor reports filed, 0 warrants served and 4 code enforcements.

Fire Chief Cody Cooper reported 1 structure fire call, 8 medical calls, 2 grass fires, and worked 1 traffic accident. The department received a \$200 grant and a donation of \$2000 from a private citizen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be two dumpsters placed inside the red gate by the fire station for fall cleanup on October 7. One dumpster will be provided by the County and one will be provided by the City.

The City Planning Commission has a scheduled meeting for September 25th.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Pinkerton initiated discussion on Resolution # 2023-08-01 (police on call policy) that had been tabled during the August meeting. A motion to table until the February, 2024 meeting at which time the one cent county sales tax will renew was made by Alderman McClendon and seconded by Alderman Breshears. Passed 3-0

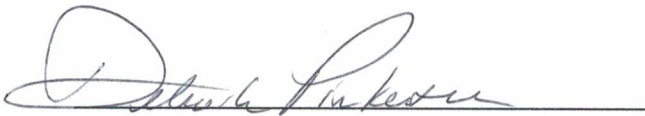
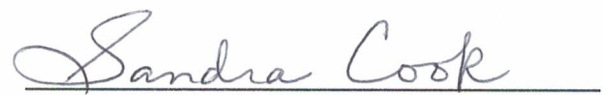
NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held concerning the ARDOT (Arkansas Department of Transportation) grant. Approximately one half of Lucian Wood Road will cost \$315,000 and the entire road will cost \$624,000. ARDOT will provide \$300,000 toward the cost of completion (half or all). The council asked Mayor Pinkerton to contact the bank to see what interest rates and payments would be if the City borrowed the remaining amount to surface the entire road. Alderman McClendon suggested the surfacing be delayed until spring, 2024. This will allow the City to accumulate more city sales tax and can then finance a lesser amount. Mayor Pinkerton will contact ARDOT for specifics.

The City had earlier applied for a park grant. WAPDD are confident the city will receive the grant.

The City has applied for a charge account at Cedarville Harp's store. This will give the departments an alternative when Cedarville One Stop is out of gas. Also, Harp's has premium gasoline which is required for one of the Fire trucks.

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


Mayor
Recorder/Treasurer