

## **Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council November 13th, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday, November 13th, 2023, was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Ernie Penn. Administrative Assistant LeAnn Tolleson called the roll and the following Council Members answered to their names: Diane Bryant, Keith Lipford, Brenda Cunningham, Sherry Mathews, Hunter Carnahan, and Kara Gardenhire. Also present was City Attorney Jay Moore and City Business Manager Melissa McCarville. Absent from the meeting were City Clerk Kelly Penn and Council Members Linda Bell and Bobby Morgan.

### **Comments from Citizens –**

Jill Toering 306 Claybrooke – What is the process to let someone know the streets in Twin Falls have cracks in them?

Phyllis Young 546 Goose Creek - addressed her comments from the last meeting with City Attorney Moore. She will always hold the city accountable and will have proof of any negative comments she makes. The storm water pollution manual needs to be strengthened. She can mow on her property, too many rocks. The water has more force and velocity and carries trash and rocks across her property. The area flooded 31 times this year. The city should do more than protect tax revenue, it should protect citizens. She's not proud to be a resident of and is disappointed in the people running the city and told the council they need to do their job. No one will talk to her or return her calls.

### **Approval of the minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting October 9th, 2023**

On the motion of Council Member Carnahan and a second by Council Member Bryant and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the minutes were approved as presented by a vote of 6-0.

### **Financial Reports**

Mayor Penn presented the financial reports to the City Council. Monthly city sales tax decreased 0.46%, year to date increase is 7.20 %. Monthly state sales tax decreased 2.26 %. Year to date there is an increase of 6.60 % compared to 2022.

### **Entertain a motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only.**

On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Carnahan and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only was approved 6-0.

### **Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments - None**

### **Committee Reports -There were no written reports submitted.**

**Items to be removed from City of Farmington Inventory-**

**Street Department – Floyd Shelly- Requesting the removal of 2007 Model 3000 Curtis Snowplow from Inventory**

On the motion of Council Member Carnahan and a second by Council Member Lipford and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to remove the 2007 Model 3000 Curtis Snowplow from the Street inventory was approved 6-0.

**Police Department- Chief Hubbard- Requesting the removal of 2010 Dodge Charger, VIN #2B3AA4CTXAH303560 from Inventory.**

On the motion of Council Member Carnahan and a second by Council Member Lipford and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to remove the 2010 Dodge Charger, VIN #2B3AA4CTXAH303560 from police inventory was approved 6-0.

**Old Business - None**

**New Business**

**Ordinance 2023-15 An ordinance levying a tax on the real and personal property within the city of Farmington, Arkansas for the year 2023 fixing the rate therefor at 4.6 mils and certifying the same to the county clerk of Washington county, Arkansas.**

Council Member Carnahan made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on 3 different dates be suspended and that Ordinance 2023-15 is to be read one time by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardenhire and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Ordinance 2023-15 passed 6-0. The question of shall the ordinance pass was asked by Mayor Penn, after a rollcall vote, the motion passed by a vote of 6-0. On the motion of Council Member Carnahan and a second by Council Member Bryant and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance 2023-15 was approved 6-0.

**Ordinance 2023-16 An ordinance adopting a sewer contact between the city of Farmington and the city of Fayetteville, laying out policies, procedures, obligations, and rates pertaining to wastewater service, and for other purposes.**

Council Member Carnahan made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on 3 different dates be suspended and that Ordinance 2023-16 is to be read one time by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bryant and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Ordinance 2023-16 passed 6-0. The question of shall the ordinance pass was asked by Mayor Penn, after a rollcall vote, the motion passed by a vote of 6-0. On the motion of Council Member Carnahan and a second by Council Member Lipford and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve the emergency clause for Ordinance 2023-16 was approved 6-0.

**Ordinance 2023-17 An ordinance repealing ordinance # 2008-03 of the code of ordinances of the city of Farmington, Arkansas, and adopting: "An ordinance providing for the establishment of a flood damage prevention program for the city of Farmington".**

Council Member Lipford made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on 3 different dates be suspended and that Ordinance 2023-17 is to be read one time by title only. The motion was seconded by Council Member Carnahan and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Ordinance 2023-17 passed 6-0. The question of shall the ordinance pass was asked by Mayor Penn, after a rollcall vote, the motion passed by a vote of 6-0.

**Resolution No. 2023-13 Resolution for the purchase of economic development services form the Farmington chamber of commerce in an amount not to exceed twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the 2023 calendar year**

On the motion of Council Member Carnahan and a second by Council Member Bryant and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-13 was approved 6-0.

**Resolution No. 2023-14 A Resolution waiving requirements of competitive bidding for park equipment for Farmington Heights Subdivision pursuant to A.C.A. 14-58-303 (b) (2) (B)**

On the motion of Council Member Carnahan and a second by Council Member Bryant and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-14 was approved 6-0.


There being no further business to come before the council and on the motion of Council Member Carnahan and seconded by Council Member Lipford and by the consent of all members present, the meeting adjourned at 6:39 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Monday, December 11th, 2023, in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_



Mayor Ernie Penn

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_



City Clerk Kelly Penn