



Mayor Ernie Penn

City Attorney Jay Moore

City Clerk Kelly Penn

City Council Member Sherry Mathews
Ward 1 Position 1

Council Member Keith Lipford
Ward 2 Position 1

Council Member Brenda Cunningham
Ward 3 Position 1

Council Member Diane Bryant
Ward 4 Position 1

Council Member Hunter Carnahan
Ward 1 Position 2

Council Member Linda Bell
Ward 2 Position 2

Council Member Bobby Morgan
Ward 3 Position 2

Council Member Kara Gardenhire
Ward 4 Position 2

A meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on January 8th, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Farmington City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington Arkansas. Mayor Penn called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Council Members Diane Bryant, Keith Lipford, Brenda Cunningham, Sherry Mathews, Hunter Carnahan, Linda Bell, Bobby Morgan, Kara Gardenhire. Mayor Ernie Penn, City Attorney Jay Moore, City Clerk Kelly Penn, City Business Manager Melissa McCarville, Staff, Press and Audience Members.

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments from Citizens

Approval of the January 8, 2024, City Council Minutes

On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Morgan and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the minutes were approved as presented by a vote of 8-0.

Financial Reports

Mayor Penn presented the financial reports to the City Council. Monthly city sales tax increased 2.17%, year to date numbers increased by 7.11%. Monthly state/county sales tax increased 1.61%, year to date numbers increased 5.77%.

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

On the motion of Council Member Cunningham 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 was approved 8-0.

Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments

Re-Appoint Planning Commissioner Howard Carter – 2-year term.

On the motion of Council Member Morgan and a second by Council Member Carnahan and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to reappoint Howard Carter to the Planning Commission for a two-year term was approved 8-0.

Vice Mayor Appointment – Bobby Morgan

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 appoint Bobby Morgan Vice Mayor was approved 8-0.

Committee Reports - Farmington Public Library Board Meeting Minutes were included in the city council packet.

Items to be removed from the city of Farmington Inventory – Public Works Department

Public Works Department - Requesting the removal of 2007 New Holland TS100A Tractor with Alamo 22" Boom Mower #ACP257044

Public Works Director Floyd Shelley informed the City Council that the mower had been in service for 15 years and is no longer safe for operation. The cost to maintain it is not feasible, but we were offered a trade in value of \$50,000 on a new tractor and boom mower. 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 following 2007 New Holland TS100A Tractor with Alamo 22" Boom Mower #ACP257044 was approved 8-0.

Old Business - None

New Business

Resolution 2024-01 A Resolution establishing the procedural rules for the City Council of the city of Farmington for 2024

After a brief presentation by City Clerk Penn, Council Member Carnahan made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-01, it was seconded by Council Member Bryant, and after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0. City Attorney Moore read Resolution 2024-01 by title only.

Resolution 2024-02 A Resolution waiving competitive bidding for the purchase of one New Holland TS6.120 4WD Cab Tractor with Tiger Bengal 22" Rear Cradle Boom Mower with Swivel Head Pursuant to A.C.A. § 14-58-303 (B) (2) (B)

After a brief presentation by Public Works Director Shelley, Council Member Carnahan made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-02, it was seconded by Council Member Lipford and after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0. City Attorney Moore read Resolution 2024-02 by title only.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Monday, February 12th, 2023, in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Ernie Penn, Mayor



Kelly Penn, City Clerk

