

Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council Meeting December 12, 2022

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday, December 12, 2022 was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Ernie Penn. City Clerk Kelly Penn called the roll and the following Council Members answered to their names: Sherry Mathews, Hunter Carnahan, Keith Lipford, Brenda Cunningham, Bobby Morgan, Diane Bryant and Shelly Parsley. Also present was City Attorney Tennant and City Business Manager McCarville. The council seat for Ward 2 Position 2 is vacant.

Comments from Citizens

Mayor Penn asked if there was anyone who wished to comment at this time. Norm Toering, 306 Claybrook asked if the city was aware D.R. Horton is buying Riggins development properties and would that affect the Farmington developments. Mayor Penn said Mr. Riggins had not informed the city of any changes.

Approval of the minutes for the November 14th, 2022 Regular Meeting.

On the motion of Council Member Bryant, 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 7-0.

Financial Reports.

Mayor Penn presented the financial reports to the City Council. City sales tax increased and State sales tax increased for the month. Mayor Penn advised the council that he had shopped CD rates from local banks since rates had increased. He informed the council he would like to move \$2,000,000.00 (two million dollars) from the First Security Bank money market account that was earning .50% to a 13-month CD earning 4.25% at First Community Bank of Batesville. The have a local office in Rogers and funds are insured and collateralized according to municipal requirements. A motion was made by Council Member Morgan and seconded by Council Member Mathews to move \$2,000,000.00 (two million dollars) from the First Security Bank money market account to a 13-month CD earning 4.25% at First Community Bank of Batesville, and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, it was approved as by a vote of 7-0.

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

On the motion of Council Member Lipford and a second by Council Member Bryant 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 7-0.

Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments. Committee Reports

Mayor Penn announced that Planning Commissioner Gerry Harris had graduated and become a Certified Planning Official and will graduate in June. Planning Commissioner Jay Moore will vacate his position on the Planning Commission to become the City Attorney in January 2023. Mayor Penn also advised that the city of Fayetteville did not have a water contract ready for approval at their December meeting. They will have it ready for consideration in March of 2023.

Committee Reports - None

Items to be removed from City of Farmington Inventory- None

Old Business - None

New Business

Ordinance No. 2022-16 An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 2019-18 to increase the salary for the position of Farmington City Clerk.

Mayor Penn polled each council member for questions or comments and informed the council the increase was for the position, not the person. After a brief discussion by the council on what the job duties are and how many hours a week are spent doing the job, Mayor Penn called for public comment, there was none. Council Member Bryant made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on three different dates be suspended and for Ordinance 2022-16 be read one time by title only, it was seconded by Council Member Parsley and after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 7-0. City Attorney Tennant read Ordinance 2022-16 by title only. Mayor Penn asked Shall the ordinance pass? After a roll call vote, the motion passed 7-0. A motion to pass Ordinance 2022-16 with an Emergency Clause was made by Council Member Carnahan and seconded by Council Member Parsley, after a roll call vote the motion passed 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2022-17 An Ordinance to amend article eight of the Animal Control regulations promulgated under Ordinance No. 2019-04 to provide annual licenses and tags for animals at no cost to owners.

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Request approval of Inter-Local agreement for 2023 Ambulance Service with Central EMS

A motion was made by Council Member Bryant to approve the Interlocal agreement with Central EMS in the amount of \$79,834.00, a second by Council Member Lipford, and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the minutes were approved as presented by a vote of 7-0.


There being no further business to come before the council and on the motion of Council Member Morgan and seconded by Council Member Parsley and by the consent of all members present, the meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Monday, January 9th, 2022 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