Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council Meeting September 9, 2019

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday, September 9th, 2019 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, Keith Lipford, Abby Spinks, Linda Bell, Brenda Cunningham, Bobby Morgan, Diane Bryant and Shelly Parsley. Also present was City Business Manager Melissa McCarville. City Attorney Steve Tennant was absent. Mayor Penn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments from Citizens -

Billy Carter – Thanked the City Council, Planning Commission and the Mayor for their effort to stop the commercial development of his neighborhood. He thanked the Mayor for attending the Quorum Court meeting and speaking upon their behalf. He complimented the new additions to Creekside Park.

Mitchell Pierce 11394 Clubhouse Parkway – asked the city to lease the Valley View golf course and try and help improve the problems out there.

Michael Compton 43 Spokane – Spoke of his concerns of vandalism and other issues at Creekside Park, thanked the Police Department for working with him. He wants to be positive and work with the city.

Steve Fisher 35 Spokane – Spoke of the break in near his home. The park is beautiful but it will bring more traffic to the area, How will the Police department handle that?

Jeff Hatley, Ozark Regional Transit – apologized for missing last month's scheduled update. Ridership is up 11.8% for the year, since the fire last August. Farmington August numbers increased from 48 to 66 from last year. In order to increase ridership frequency of buses is the key. They have received 14 new buses with federal grants, still have 33 more to come into the fleet to replace the ones lost in last year's devastating fire. They are using a new app for riders called Passieo Go available on their phones this week.

Approval of the minutes for the August 12th, 2019, Regular City Council Meeting. 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 8-0.

Financial Reports – Mayor Penn presented the financial reports. City Clerk Penn advised the council that the 2018 Legislative Audit had been completed and they should be receiving copies in the mail directly from Legislative audit soon. The October city council meeting will not be moved due to Columbus Day but the date for the November meeting will be Tuesday November 12th, due to Veteran's day holiday.

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 Cunningham 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 8-0.

Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments. Committee Reports - Mayor Penn read a proclamation setting October 4th as Go Pink for The Cure Day. There will be benefit softball game between the Police Department and Fire department to benefit Shop with a Cop on Saturday September 14th. The annual clean up for 2019 will be October 4-5, 2019 at the Public Works Facility.

Committee Reports – All committee reports were included in the council packets.

Items to be removed from City of Farmington Inventory -

On the motion of Council Member Bell and a second by Council Member Lipford and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion remove HP LaserJet Enterprise 600 M60 printer, serial number #CNDCGC6P7, inventory tag #0095 and HP LaserJet P4015N printer, serial number #CNDY203413, inventory tag # 367 was approved 8-0.

Old Business

Ordinance 2019-07 An ordinance to amend Ordinance No 7.1, zoning regulations adopted in 2015, section 14.04.05, to provide for a planned unit development district that is designed to provide for developments that incorporate residential, commercial and related uses as a unit in the City of Farmington.

Council Member Cunningham made a motion to place Ordinance 2019-07 on its second and third and final reading by title only. It was seconded by Council Member Morgan and after a roll call vote it passed 8-0. City Clerk Penn read Ordinance 2019-07 by title only. Mayor Penn asked Shall the Ordinance pass? After a roll call vote, it was approved 8-0. Council Member Morgan made a motion to approve an Emergency Clause for Ordinance 2019-07, it was seconded by Council Member Cunningham, after a roll call vote it was approved 8-0.

New Business

Ordinance 2019-09 An ordinance to vacate a utility and drainage easement between lots 38 and 39 of Highlands Square North on Giles Road, City of Farmington, Arkansas and for other purposes.

Council Member Bell made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on 3 different dates and for Ordinance 2019-09 be read 1 time by title only, it was seconded by Council Member Parsley and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0. City Clerk Penn read Ordinance 2019-09 by title only. Mayor Penn asked shall the Ordinance pass? After a roll call vote it was approved 8-0. Council Member Morgan made a motion to approve an Emergency Clause for Ordinance 2019-09, it was seconded by Council Member Bryant. After a roll call vote, it was approved by all those present 8-0.

There being no further business to come before the council and on the motion of Council Member Lipford and seconded by Council Member Morgan 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 October 14th, 2019 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved;

City Clerk Kelly Penn

Mayor Ernie Penn