**March 8,2022 City Council Meeting**

**Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**  
  
**Called to Order at 6:01PM**  
  
**Roll Call**-Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen called Roll- Council Member Aaron Poteat-present, Council Member Jon Rambo-present, Council Member James Teeselink-present, Council Member Barry Kitterman absent  
Mayor Gary Blackburn and Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen present.   
City Attorney Mike Bearden in attendance  
Council Member Barry Kitterman arrived at 6:22PM  
**Guests Visitors**Sharon McCollough  
Scott Wassman

**February 8, 2022, Regular Council Meeting Minutes**  
Motion by Council Member Poteat to accept February 8, 2022, Council Meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Council Member Teeselink, all in favor- motion passed  
  
**Committee Reports**  
**Planning Commission**- Commissioner John Niernberger addressed the Council. He reported the 2/24/22 meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. The next meeting is 3/31/22 at which two lot splits will be presented.  
**Water Reports**- discussion of February water usage and proposed revision to Cards billing schedule.  
Motion by Council Member Teeselink to change Cards billing schedule.  
Seconded by Council Member Rambo  
Roll being called-Council Member Poteat-Yes, Council Member Rambo-Yes, Council Member Teeselink-Yes Motion Passed  
**Code Enforcement Reports**- Mayor Blackburn was notified of a dog incident today on Ranchview Rd. He was unable to contact the animal owners but will be following up on this. City Attorney spoke regarding Higgins vicious dog citation, there has been no response from Ms. Higgins. He spoke with the prosecutor’s office and advised to move forward.   
Motion by Council Member Poteat to accept the committee reports as presented.  
Seconded by Council Member Teeselink, all in favor-motion passed.

**Unfinished Business**  
**1.** **Proposal to replace Garfield School**- Ms. Sharon McCollough addressed the Council inquiring if any new information has been received from the Rogers School Board. Mayor Blackburn advised he has not received a response from the school board regarding his recommendations at the 2/15/22 school board meeting and there have been no new updates.   
**2.** **Tractor & Truck Report**- Mayor Blackburn advised the $1000 deposit on the Ford Van has been made and it is on order. He is looking at other options for the tractor purchase as one is not available for purchase at this time. Council Member Poteat questioned the amount budgeted for the tractor.  
**3.** **G. Higgins Citation**-discussed by City Attorney during Committee Reports  
**4.** **Benton County Hazard Mitigation Plan**- Agreement to participate has been sent to Benton County. Mayor Blackburn stated he made a presentation before the Benton County Quorum Court on 2/17/22 requesting $2million to extend water to residents on Dennis Mitchell Rd., Hwy 127, Alvin Seamster Rd., Markey Ln, and to construct a 50,000-gallon water tank.  
**5**. **Blueberry Lane Hazard Mitigation Plan**- Project is required to be completed and paid for by 5/15/22. Engineer has confirmed this will be completed by 5/15/22. $8000 has been paid thus far on Engineering fees.   
**6. North Wimpy Jones Rd State Aid Project**- Mayor Blackburn stated this is being pushed to be completed in 2022. Mayor Blackburn met with State Engineer on 3/1/22. He is scheduled to meet with the engineer this week regarding the proposal to mitigate the creek damage. ER Assist is handling part of the project, the rest is state aid Street Fund Grant money.

**New Business**Mayor Blackburn called the meeting into Executive Session at 6:43PMto discuss Mayor’s AFLAC withholding and reconvened to Regular Session at 6:53PM  
**1.** **AFLAC Withholdings, Mayor**- After discussion, Motion made by Council Member Kitterman for the City to absorb $1577.94 which resulted from a Center Point program glitch.   
Seconded by Council Member Teeselink  
Roll being called-Council Member Poteat-Yes, Council Member Rambo-Yes, Council Member Teeselink-Yes, Council Member Kitterman- Yes- Motion Passed  
**2.** **Spring Clean Up Schedule**- After Discussion, to be held April 23, 2022- 8:00AM -12:00PM. Tire and electronics disposal to be available with fee.   
**3.** **Bank Account Signatory Authorization**- Motion by Council Member Kitterman to authorize Council Member Jim Teeselink as signatory on General, Street and Water accounts.   
Seconded by Council Member Rambo  
Roll being called-Council Member Poteat-Yes, Council Member Rambo-Yes, Council Member Kitterman-Yes  
Council Member Teeselink-recused  
Motion Passed  
Motion by Council Member Poteat to open a bank account specifically for Payroll   
Seconded by Council Member Teeselink  
All in favor-Motion Passed  
**4.** **Revision Cards Billing Schedule**- addressed and passed during Committee Reports  
 **City Financials**After discussion, motion was made by Council Member Kitterman to accept the Financials as read  
Seconded by Council Member Poteat, all in favor, motion passed.  
Sanitary Survey presented by Mayor Blackburn  
After discussion, motion by Council Member Kitterman to accept the November 9, 2021 Sanitary Survey  
Seconded by Council Member Teeselink  
Roll being called-Council Member Poteat- Yes, Council Member Rambo-Yes, Council Member Teeselink-Yes, Council Member Kitterman- Yes, motion passed  
  
Proclamation read by Mayor Blackburn proclaiming April 5, 2022 as Laura Hamilton Day  
Motion by Council Member Kitterman to make proclamation official  
Seconded by Council Member Rambo  
Roll being called-Council Member Poteat-Yes, Council Member Rambo- Yes, Council Member Teeselink-Yes, Council Member Kitterman- Yes- Motion passed

Council Member Poteat expressed his appreciation to NEBCO, specifically Mr. Taylor and Mr. Fuller regarding a recent incident where they responded to a call to his residence.   
Council Member Poteat requested contact information regarding tree trimming responsibilities of the AR MO Railroad  
  
Motion by Council Member Kitterman to adjourn, Seconded by Council Member Teeselink, all in favor- meeting adjourned at 7:10PM  
  
**Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2022**

**Gary Blackburn Christal J. Allen**

**Approved, Mayor Gary Blackburn Attested, Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**