

GARFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEETING-September 13, 2022

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Called to Order at 5:30 PM

Roll Call- Roll called by Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen
Council Member Poteat-present
Council Member Rambo-present
Council Member Teeselink-present
Council Member Kitterman-absent

Guests and Visitors- None

August 9, 2022, Council Meeting Minutes

After review, Council Member Teeselink moved to approve 9/9/22 minutes
Seconded by Council Member Rambo
All in favor
Motion Carried

Committee Reports

Planning Commission- Planning Commission Chairman John Niernberger reported on August meeting- 1 tract split was approved. Guidance was given for potential tract split to be on September agenda. Reported to the commission the Council's decision regarding the proposed Alternate Energy Source Ordinance.

The commission is working on redrawing the zoning map in the downtown area and will discuss potential City Park Pavilion at September meeting.

Water Department- Discussed Systems Total Report- more water was sold in August 2021 than August 2022

Code Enforcement- Received 2 fence permit applications

Mayor is working with City Attorney on District Court order agreement
Council Member Poteat moved to accept committee reports as presented
Seconded by Council Member Rambo

Roll being Called-Council Member Poteat- Yes, Council Member Rambo- Yes, Council Member Teeselink- Yes

Motion Carried

Mayor Called Meeting into recess at 5:39PM

Meeting Reconvened at 7:17PM

Council Member Kitterman- present

City Attorney- present via phone

Unfinished Business

Proposal To Replace Garfield School –Mayor and Council attended meeting at Garfield School during recess

Garfield & Benton County District Court Administrative Order Agreement- Mayor Blackburn reported he spoke with Representative Joshua Bryant, he confirmed he will present the issue at the State Senate and verbiage will have to be changed in order to proceed.

Wilson Road & Ventris Loop Project- No update, ADH questions have been answered

Engineering Services Proposals- No updates to report

Clay Annexation- County Judge declined to approve annexation as presented, wishes to include verbiage in the ordinance for the city to take responsibility of Old Liberty Rd that borders property. Mayor Blackburn advised he will speak with him in person tomorrow regarding the annexation.

NEW BUSINESS

Fall Tree Giveaway- October 22,2022- 100 trees to be delivered and provided to citizens at City Hall on first come, first served basis- 1 tree per person

Proposed BWRPWA Rate Increase- Copies of emails provided to council- per city ordinance rate increase is to be implemented.

2% rate increase recommended by rate study to be included in October and November council meetings agendas and voted on in December

Proposed Resolution 2022 Tax Levy- Millage Rates To Be Collected in 2023- After discussion, Council Member Kitterman moved to keep rate at 2 mils for 2023.

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 Carried

CITY FINANCIALS- after discussion, Council member Poteat moved to accept August Financials as presented

Seconded by Council Member Rambo

Roll being Called-Council Member Rambo- Yes, Council Member Teeselink- Yes, Council Member Kitterman- Yes

Motion Carried

Council Member Teeselink mentioned the Keep Arkansas Beautiful Program, Mayor Blackburn advised that the email sent to the interested volunteer has not been responded to.

Council Member Poteat asked how many mowers would be needed for future mowing along HWY 62. Mayor Blackburn advised a brush hog will be needed.

Mayor Blackburn and Council Member Teeselink presented their certification of 8 hours required water board training pertaining to ACT 605.

Adjourn-

Council Member Kitterman moved to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Teeselink

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM

Passed and approved this 11th day of October 2022

Gary Blackburn

Approved, Mayor Gary Blackburn

Gary Blackburn

Christal J. Allen

Attested, Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen

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