MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

January 22, 2024

1. The city council of Prairie Grove, Arkansas met in a regular session on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the Prairie Grove District Court. The meeting was called to order by Mayor David Faulk, presiding officer.
2. On roll call the following was recorded:
   1. Present: Alderman Rick Ault, Rick Clayton, Sue Cluck, Tony Cunningham, Paula Ditmars, Brea Gragg, Chris Powell, and Doug Stumbaugh
   2. Absent: None
   3. Others present: Public Works Director Chuck Wiley, Steven Parker, Police Chief Chris Workman, and Fire Chief JC Dobbs.
3. Annual organizational; Tony Cunningham will be Vice Mayor, Doug Stumbaugh will be added for Police committee reports.
4. Public Comment Period
5. Approval of the December 18, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Motion made by Cunningham, second by Clayton to approve. Ayes: 8 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
6. Treasurer's Report.
7. Unfinished Business
   1. Ordinance to amend Food Cart regulations. Motion made by Stumbaugh, second by Powell to place the ordinance on first reading by title only. Ayes:8 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
8. New Business
   1. Ordinance to approve the final plat for Selah Meadows Subdivision. Motion made by Stumbaugh, seconded by Ault to place the ordinance on first reading by title only. Ayes: 8. Nayes: None. Motion carried. Motion made by Stumbaugh, seconded by Ault to waive the second and third reading and pass the ordinance. Ayes: 8. Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   2. Resolution to approve opening new bank account at Priority Bank. Motion made by Ault, seconded by Clayton to approve. Ayes: 8 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   3. Resolution to approve the purchase of new vehicle (replacing a totaled vehicle). Motion made by Clayton, second by Stumbaugh to approve. Ayes: 8 Nays: None. Motion carried.
   4. Resolution to approve the purchase of a new service truck. Motion made by Stumbaugh, seconded by Clayton to approve. Ayes: 8. Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   5. Resolution to approve a contract with McClellan Engineering for the construction of a force main. Motion made by Powell, second by Stumbaugh to approve. Ayes: 8 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   6. Resolution to accept bid for Senior Center improvements. Motion made by Stumbaugh, second by Powell to approve. Ayes: 8. Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   7. Resolution to approve change order number 4 for the WWTP expansion. Motion made by Powell, second by Stumbaugh to approve. Ayes: 8 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   8. Resolution to accept bid from Orr Construction for the construction of 24-inch gravity main. Motion made by Powell, second by Stumbaugh to approve. Ayes: 8 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   9. Resolution to approve police policy changes. Motion made by Stumbaugh, second by Gragg to approve. Ayes: 8 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   10. Resolution to adopt a building privacy policy. Motion made by Powell, second by Ault to approve. Ayes: 8 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
9. Reports of Committees:
   1. Sanitation
      1. Gragg suggested we explore a communication system for better communication with customers.
   2. Street
      1. One lane traffic downtown while crews are working construction.
   3. Water/Sewer
      1. Committee was formed to explore options for radio read meters; Rick Ault, Doug Stumbaugh, and Paula Ditmars.
   4. Court
      1. Rachel sent out a monthly report.
   5. Fire
      1. Busy
   6. Parks and Recreation
      1. Sidewalk construction
      2. New bleachers and bathroom facilities for tennis courts have been ordered.
      3. Still checking prices on coverage for bleachers at baseball fields.
   7. Police
      1. Andrew Felkins is training at the academy.
   8. Long-Range Planning
      1. Mayor appointed Rob Shertzer and Colin Cheatham for another term on the Planning Commission. Council confirmed appointment.
      2. Approved large scale development for the school.
      3. Approved variance for Skelton Towing to convert an old car wash to a building.
   9. Senior Citizen
      1. NNR
   10. Library
       1. NNR

1. Announcements
2. With no further business before the council, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:05 pm by Cunningham, second by Stumbaugh to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

