

TYRONZA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
April 17, 2020

The regular meeting of the Tyronza City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Charles Glover. With the roll having been called, the following council members were recorded as present: Shirley Hindman, Barbara Ross, Kevin Skipper, Michael Hood and Tyler Permenter. Absent: Linda Hall. A quorum was declared. Recorder /Treasurer Donna Wood was also in attendance. City Attorney Noyl Houston attended the meeting virtually.

The meeting was broadcast through Facebook live due the National Coronavirus Pandemic.

The invocation was given by Kevin Skipper.

Mayor Glover asked if there was a motion to suspend the reading of the March 10th, 2020 regular council meeting minutes. Kevin Skipper seconded by Michael Hood, moved to suspend the reading of the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous.

Mayor Glover asked if there was a motion to approve the March 10th, 2020 minutes. Shirley Hindman seconded by Michael Hood, moved to approve the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous

The expenditures were next on the agenda.

Charles asked for a motion to approve the expenditures for March 2020, Kevin Skipper seconded by Shirley Hindman moved to approve the expenditures.

The floor was then opened up to discussion on the expenditures.

Mayor Glover said he had been doing some research on the amount of sales tax lost due to A & A Foodstore being closed since the tornado and the amount was about \$450.00 a month. The City has an insurance policy through the Arkansas Municipal League that would cover loss of revenue for the City due to natural disasters. He said the amount owed to the City due to the loss of revenue would be around \$3,000.00. Documentation would have to be received from the store before the claim could be submitted. The Mayor was working on getting to documentation from Naz to submit. Naz said the store would be open in about a month.

Michael Hood questioned a check written to Rusty's garage in the amount of \$649.06.

Mayor Glover said it was to repair a police vehicle that assisted another agency in a high-speed chase. The vehicle hit a pot hole in the road at the Turrell exit and busted the tire and rim.

Shirley Hindman suggested checking with the insurance to see if it would pay for the towing.

Kevin Skipper questioned an expense for ID cards for the fire and the police.

The R/T the ID cards were purchased for the firefighters and police officers to be able to help during a natural disaster. No one was allowed into the place where the natural disaster happened unless they had an ID showing which department they were responding with.

There being no further discussion on the financials, a voice vote was then taken and the voting was unanimous to approve the March 2020 financials.

Due to the national pandemic and everyone being advised to use social distancing. A resolution was prepared so the city council could participate in council meetings by virtual means.

City Attorney Noyl Houston then read the proposed resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING VIRTUAL MEETING PROTOCOL FOR THE CITY OF TYRONZA DURING NATIONAL PANDEMIC EMERGENCY" in full.

Shirley Hindman seconded by Tyler Permenter moved to adopt the resolution.

The Mayor put the question on adopting the resolution to the council and upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve the resolution.

The City had applied for a loan through ANRC to complete needed repairs to the old water tank and to install electronic meters. ANRC approved the loan but was going to require water rates to be raised considerably as a requirement for receiving the loan. Mayor Glover then went back to ANRC and asked for a loan to just complete the needed repairs for the old water tank. ANRC offered a loan to make the needed repairs with a minimal water rate increase. Mayor Glover said he was working with East Arkansas Economic Development on a grant that had just been released to get funding to install the electronic meters.

A resolution needed to be passed for the City to apply for the loan from the Arkansas Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund to fund the repairs to the old water tower.

City Attorney Noyl Houston then read the proposed resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LOAN FROM ARKANSAS DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING LOAN FUND PROGRAM TO FUND WATER TOWER RENOVATION" in full.

Barbara Ross seconded by Shirley Hindman moved to adopt the resolution.

The Mayor put the question on adopting the resolution to the council and upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve the resolution.

The ordinance to increase the water rates was next on the agenda.

City Attorney Noyl Houston then read the proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE FIXING RATES FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF TYRONZA, ARKANSAS, PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY." In full thereby placing it upon its first reading.

Kevin Skipper, seconded by Shirley Hindman, moved that the rule requiring the reading of any ordinance in full on three different days be suspended, and that the ordinance be placed on its second reading by title only.

The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion to the council, and the roll was called. The vote was as follows: Ayes-Unanimous

The Mayor declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended.

The ordinance was then read by title only, thereby placing it upon its second reading.

Barbara Ross, seconded by Kevin Skipper, moved that the rule requiring the reading of any ordinance in full on three different days be further suspended, and that the ordinance be read by title only.

The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion to the council, the roll was called and the voting was as follows: Ayes-Unanimous.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended.

The ordinance was then read by title only, thereby placing it upon a third and final reading.

Kevin Skipper, seconded by Barbara Ross, moved the ordinance be adopted.

The question was put by the Mayor to the council on the adoption of the motion, and the roll was called, the voting was as follows: Ayes-Unanimous.

Shirley Hindman, seconded by Barbara Ross, moved that the Emergency Clause be adopted, and the roll was called, and the vote was as follows: Ayes-Unanimous.

Mayor Glover thereupon declared the ordinance and emergency clause adopted and signed the ordinance which was attested by the city recorder, and sealed with the seal of the city. The ordinance was given NO 2020-003.

The mosquito ordinance was next on the agenda.

The council members decided to continue the mosquito service.

City Attorney Noyl Houston read the proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MOSQUITO CONTROL CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING A \$5.00 ADDITION TO EACH WATER BILL TO DEFRAY THE COST THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR SHUT-OFF; AND DECLARING AND EMERGENCY" in full thereby placing it upon its first reading.

Barbara Ross, seconded by Michael Hood, moved that the rule requiring the reading of any ordinance in full on three different days be suspended, and that the ordinance be placed on its second reading by title only.

The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion to the council, and the roll was called. The vote was as follows: Ayes-Unanimous

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Tyler Permenter, seconded by Barbara Ross, moved that the rule requiring the reading of any ordinance in full on three different days be further suspended, and that the ordinance be read by title only.

The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion to the council the roll was called and the voting was as follows: Ayes-Unanimous.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended.

The ordinance was then read by title only, thereby placing it upon a third and final reading.

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Charles reported the City of Tyronza Street Fund and Tyronza Water Work's certificate of deposits had been renewed at Armor Bank for a term of thirteen months at the interest rate of one percent.

The LOPFI CD was transferred to the LOPFI checking account. The money would be put back into smaller certificate of deposits to cover the yearly amount due for LOPFI as soon as that amount was determined.

Charles reported that Tony Postell had resigned his position as police chief for the City. He was currently accepting applications for the position. He reported that police service was being covered by Officer Bynum, the part-time officers and Poinsett County. The council would be kept informed of the search for a police chief.

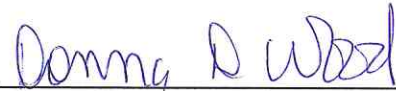
Barbara Ross asked if a curfew should be established due to the coronavirus and being short an officer.

Charles said he did not think a curfew should be established. He felt there wasn't a lot going on to need a curfew at that time.

There being no further business, Shirley Hindman seconded by Barbara Ross moved to adjourn.

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Charles Glover, Mayor

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Donna D Wood, Recorder/Treasurer