

TYRONZA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
January 19th , 2023

The regular meeting of the Tyronza City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Jeff Woods. With the roll having been called, the following council members were recorded as present: Barbara Ross, Daniel Brewington, Michael Hood, Candace Drace, and Angie Allison. Ward 2 Position 1 was vacant. A quorum was declared. Also at the meeting were Recorder/Treasurer Donna Wood and City Attorney Noyl Houston.

The invocation was given by Barbara Ross.

Mayor Woods declared that Ward 2 Position 1 was vacant and opened the floor up to nominations to fill the position.

Barbara Ross said that Willie Harris was interested in filling the position.

Angie Allison said that Robin Daniels was interested in filling the position.

Barbara Ross seconded by Michael Hood moved to appoint Willie Harris to fill the vacant position of Ward 2 Position 1. A roll call was then taken and the voting was as follows: Barbara Ross-yes; Angie Allison-No; Candace Drace-No; Michael Hood-Yes; Daniel Brewington-Yes. Mayor Woods voted yes to pass the motion.

The approval of the December 15th 2022 minutes were tabled to the February 2023 council meeting due to the minutes not being available.

The expenditures were next on the agenda.

Mayor Woods asked for a motion to approve the expenditures for December 2023, Angie Allison, seconded by Barbara Ross moved to approve the expenditures.

The floor was then open for discussion on the expenditures.

Barbara Ross questioned the year to date amount of \$759.40 on Senior Meals. She asked how many meals the expense was for.

Penny Toombs reported that it was for three meals and supplies.

Barbara was concerned about the cost verses income of the meals.

Michael Hood questioned the amount of \$1463.00 spent on the 2021 Ford Explorer.

The R/T said the expense was to put additional lights on the back of the patrol car. Chief Spain asked Mayor Glover about putting additional lights on the car due to going out on the interstate and assisting motorist. He said there wasn't enough lights on the back of the vehicle to keep him safe while assisting on the interstate.

Barbara commented on expenses paid to Henard Utility Products for the electronic meters. She asked if the Beacon Billing Integration fee was a yearly fee.

The R/T said she would have to check and see if it was a yearly fee.

Michael questioned the purchase of a taser.

The R/T said the taser was purchased along with cartridges and a battery. Jason Simpson made a donation to the City to purchase the taser.

With there being no further discussion on the December 2022 expenses, a voice vote was then taken and the voting was unanimous to approve.

Noyl said a question was asked at the end of the last council meeting about whether or not the City could legally do business with Mayor Woods diesel repair shop. He cited ACA 14-42-107 that prohibited a council member or city official from doing business with the city unless the governing body of the city has enacted an ordinance specifically permitting council members, officials, or municipal employees to conduct business with the city and prescribing the extent of this authority.

The City had already enacted Ordinance 1992-8 permitting aldermen to do business with the City, but it did not address other City officials. He said there needed to be an amended ordinance authorizing other city officials and employees to do business with the City.

A proposed ordinance was given to the council members to review.

Noyl then read the proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE PERMITTING ALDERMEN, OTHER OFFICIALS, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF TYRONZA, ARKANSAS TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE CITY." 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

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.

Angie Allison, 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.

Candace Drace, seconded by Angie Allison, moved the ordinance be adopted.

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

The Mayor declared the motion passed, and the ordinance adopted, signed the ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder, and sealed with the seal of the City.

Discussion then moved to the Memorandum of Agreement between ASU and the City of Tyronza.

Noyl had suggested some changes to the Memorandum of Agreement proposed by ASU. There was discussion at previous meetings about making the turn around at the grain bins a public easement. He added the language "including an easement for vehicle usage in the existing "turn around" on or near the northern end of the Grain Bin parcel." On page two, paragraph two.

ASU wanted to have more discussion on the added language. Penny Toombs said she would like to meeting with Mayor Woods and talk about it with him within the next week.

Barbara said a special meeting could be held if needed to discuss the Memorandum of Agreement .

Next on the agenda was a resolution to commend the First Baptist Church of Tyronza for its free food distribution program.

Noyl read the resolution entitled "RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH TYRONZA FOR ITS TREMENDOUS OUTREACH TO THE RESIDENTS OF TYRONZA" in full.

Angie Allison seconded by Michael Hood moved to adopt the resolution. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

The fire department officers were reported as being; Chris Daniel-Fire Chief; Joe Byrd-Assistant Fire Chief; Jonathan Drace-Assistant Fire Chief; Hunter Turner-Captain; Chris McKinness-Captain and Candace Drace - Secretary.

Michael Hood seconded by Angie Allison moved to approve the fire department officers. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

Mayor Woods said he had talked to Chris McCorkle about a previous agreement he had with Mayor Glover about mowing the sides of the on ramps and off ramps at the overpass. The agreement Chris had with Mayor Glover was to mow the ramps twice a month for \$600.00, May through October.

Willie Harris said she thought that was not a bad price, couldn't purchase equipment to do it for that price.

There was a concern about the interstate not being city property.

Michael Hood asked had the Arkansas Highway been notified of the plans.

Chris said that Mayor Glover did talk to the Arkansas Highway Department.

Noyl said if it benefited the City, the expense could be justified.

Michael asked Chris if he were to break someone's windshield while mowing, who would be responsible.

Chris said he had insurance to cover that situation.

After discussion, the council decided to bring the proposal back up at the February 2023 meeting.

The 2023 Budget was next on the agenda.

Noyl read the proposed ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING 2023 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF TYRONZA, ARKANSAS" thereby placing it upon its first reading.

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Michael Hood said the fire hydrants on Church Street needed to be installed. There were people around Tyronza who could do the job.

Barbara asked that prices of fire hydrants be checked.

Mayor Woods said that Danny and Matt do not have the equipment and Marked Tree did not have the equipment to borrow to install the fire hydrants.

Michael Hood asked that bids be taken.

Barbara Ross asked what recourse could be taken to collect the money for renovations that was made to Mark McDaniel's house for the police chief to live in.

Mayor Woods said that he would talk to Mr. McDaniel.

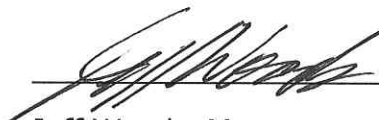
Michael Hood asked for police reports to be given to the council each month. The reports should include mileage and gas usage.

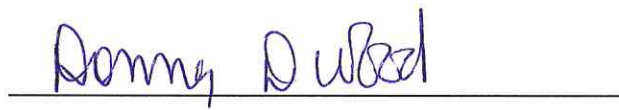
Daniel Brewington asked what equipment the city might have to get leaves out of ditches.

Mayor Woods said the city did not have any type of machinery that could remove the leaves out of the ditches. He also said while at the Arkansas Municipal League he learned of a law that was being proposed in which cities could establish one burn place. He also said he had talked to Matt and he would mop out the ditches if he had a mop bucket for the backhoe and a trailer to put the debris on to haul off.

Mayor Woods said that he would be working on job descriptions for the employees.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Jeff Woods, Mayor

Donna D Wood, Recorder/Treasurer