

**TYRONZA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
November 21st, 2024**

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: Willie Harris, Michael Hood, Daniel Brewington, Barbara Ross and Angie Allison. Absent: Candace Drace. A quorum was declared. Recorder/Treasurer Donna Wood and City Attorney Noyl Houston were also at the meeting.

The invocation was given by Barbara Ross.

Mayor Woods asked if there was a motion to suspend the reading of the October 17th, 2024, regular council meeting minutes. Angie Allison, seconded by Barbara Ross, moved to suspend the reading of the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous.

Mayor Woods asked if there was a motion to approve the October 17th, 2024, regular council meeting minutes. Angie Allison, seconded by Willie Harris, moved to approve the minutes. Upon a voice vote, the voting was as follows: Ayes: Unanimous

The expenditures were next on the agenda.

Mayor Woods asked for a motion to approve the expenditures for October 2024.

Barbara Ross, seconded by Angie Allison moved to approve the expenditures.

Mayor Woods asked if there was any discussion on the expenditures.

Barbara Ross said she saw where there was a receipt from the Auditor of the State for \$15.65 for electric vehicles registration fees. She asked if the City would be getting funds from electric vehicles.

The R/T said there had been a disbursement to the City for the past three months for the electric vehicle registration fees. The funds were being deposited in the Street Department funds.

Mayor Woods said there was money for charging stations. He inquired about it for Tyronza and found out there was already a plan on where the charging stations would be installed.

With there being no further discussion on the expenditures, a voice vote was taken to approve the expenditures. The voting was unanimous to approve.

The meeting then moved to new business on the agenda.

Scotty Williams with the Poinsett County Office of Emergency Management asked to be put on the agenda. He was not able to come to the meeting.

The renewal of the Municipal Officials and Department Heads Death and Dismemberment policy was discussed.

Barbara Ross seconded by Willie Harris moved to renew the Municipal Officials and Department Heads Death and Dismemberment policy. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

Next was discussion on renewal of the Firefighters' Income Protection Plan.

Angie Allison seconded by Barbara Ross moved to renew the Firefighter's Income Protection Plan. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

The Amended Budget was next on the agenda.

Barbara said she would like the City to research on buying the equipment and building insurance deductible down or for the City to have an emergency fund to cover the deductibles. She said it did not look too expensive to buy it down to a \$5,000.00 deductible.

Barbara said she did not see anything else on the amended budget that had not already been covered in the budget workshop meeting.

City Attorney Noyl Houston then read the proposed amended budget entitled AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDED 2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF TYRONZA, ARKANSAS in full thereby placing it upon its first reading.

Barbara Ross, seconded by Angie Allison, 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: Barbara Ross-yes; Willie Harris – yes; Daniel Brewington-yes; Michael Hood-yes; Angie Allison- yes.

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.

Willie Harris, seconded by Angie Allison, 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: Willie Harris-yes; Daniel Brewington, yes; Barbara Ross-yes; Michael Hood-yes; Angie Allison-yes.

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.

Angie Allison, seconded by Barbara Ross, moved the ordinance be adopted.

Michael Hood said he had a question about adopting the ordinance. He said he thought the amended ordinance was always adopted in December.

He asked if there weren't December bills that needed to be included in the amended budget.

The R/T said the projected December bills were included in the proposed 2024 amended budget.

Noyl said there wasn't anything wrong with approving the 2024 amended budget in November.

With there being no further discussion.

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: Barbara Ross-yes; Daniel Brewington-yes; Willie Harris-yes and Michael Hood-yes; Angie Allison-yes.

The Mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Mayor Woods asked the council members if they had received his email on the street sweeper.

They said that they had.

Mayor Woods said the cost of the used street sweeper was \$10,000.00. It was being offered for sale by the City of Trumann. He said he would like to have Danny or Matt go with him to look at the truck and drive it to see what might need to be done to it.

Angie Allison questioned the cost of insurance for the truck.

Barbara asked if Trumann would wait a month for an answer as to whether to purchase or not purchase the truck.

Mayor Woods said he would like the council's ok to go and check the truck out and be able to tell the Mayor of Trumann yes the City would like to purchase or no the City did not want to purchase the truck. He said he told the Trumann mayor he would let him know Thursday if the City was interested or not.

He said he also wanted to check with the council to see if the street sweeper was something they wanted to purchase.

Barbara Ross said she didn't think the City needed that particular kind of sweeper, but at the price it was being offered, it would be ok.

Barbara asked if Danny and Matt thought the truck was something they City needed.

Mayor Woods said they said they said it would be better than the current pull behind the tractor sweeper.

Daniel Brewington asked what the Mayor thought they could sell the pull behind sweeper for.

Mayor Woods said nothing. He said he didn't know anyone that would be in the market for it.

Barbara asked if there was a place to store the truck.

Mayor Woods said no. He said it would not fit into any of the buildings the City had. He said it would have to be parked outside by one of the buildings.

Michael Hood asked if the truck would not fit into Street Shop.

Mayor Woods said maybe if it was cleaned up.

The council was in agreement for the Mayor to go look at the truck to see if it would be something the City could use.

Noyl said the council could vote to give the Mayor discretionary authority to make the purchase if he thinks it satisfactory to purchase for the City.

Angie Allison, seconded by Willie Harris moved to give the Mayor discretionary authority to purchase the sweeper truck for \$10,000.00, if he thinks it is satisfactory for the City.

Barbara Ross asked if the money to purchase the truck would come out of the general fund.

Mayor Woods said it would probably come out of the street fund.

Barbara said the City would probably have to cash in a CD to purchase the truck.

Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

The meeting then moved to old business.

Mayor Woods gave an update on the old water pump repairs.

He said they were still waiting on parts for the well. They did not have the bell for the bottom part of the well. They were waiting for it to come in.

Angie asked if it was something to worry about. She said it seemed pretty urgent when deciding on repairing the pump.

Mayor Woods said he did not think it was anything to worry about.

Mayor Woods asked if the council had any business to discuss.

Barbara Ross said the Beautification Committee wanted to purchase some Christmas Decorations for the City. They decided to ask for donations to go toward the decorations. They decided on purchasing some Christmas banners and wait until after Christmas to try to purchase some new pole lights because they would go on sale.

The Beautification Committee had been working on putting lights on the old pole decorations.

Kris said that Ace Hardware had donated \$1,000.00 to go toward the purchase of the Christmas banners. She said they had ordered five banners.

Barbara asked what the price of a banner was, so that if anyone wanted to purchase one in memory of a loved one.

Kris said the cost of one banner was \$184.00, the hardware to put a banner up would cost an additional \$120.00.

Angie said it would be nice to have banners to put up for the rest of the year also. She said she might be able to help the committee to do that.

Mayor Woods said the Beautification Committee had a workshop where the old fire department office was located and when the Christmas decorations were taken down, they would go into the shop for storage.

Barbara said the committee was asking for donations for fourteen banners. She would like the City to purchase what the donations didn't pay for.

Barbara Ross seconded by Angie Allison moved for the City to allocate \$1500.00 toward the purchase of Christmas decorations. Upon a voice vote, the voting was unanimous to approve.

Michael Hood said he was very disappointed that the American flags were not put up for Veteran's Day. He said he would like the flags to be put out for the holidays.

Mayor Woods said he talked to Danny & Matt about putting the flags out for Veteran's Day and was told they had never put them out for Veteran's Day. He also said one of them was out on vacation and it had rained during that time. He would make sure that the flags were put out from now on.

Michael Hood said he would like everyone to remember the family of Robert Fox, he recently passed away.

Michael asked about the magnets that the East Program had designed.

They had not been ordered. The supplier that the City was going to use was going to charge too much to make them.

Angie said she would order the magnets and the City could reimburse her for the magnets.

With there being no further business, Michael Hood seconded by Willie Harris moved to adjourn.



Jeff Woods, Mayor



Donna Wood, Recorder/Treasurer