MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

April 17, 2023

1. The city council of Prairie Grove, Arkansas met in a regular session on Monday, April 17, 2023, 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, Tony Cunningham, Paula Ditmars, Brea Gragg, Chris Powell, and Doug Stumbaugh
   2. Absent: Rick Clayton
   3. Others present: Public Works Director Chuck Wiley, Steven Parker, and Chief Chris Workman
3. New council member discussion: Motion made by Cunningham, second by Ditmars to go into executive session. Ayes:5 Ayes: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Cunningham, second by Gragg to return from executive session. Ayes: 5 Nayes: None. Motion carried. Motion made by Gragg, second by Ditmars to appoint Sue Cluck to open position. Ayes:5 Nayes: None. Motion carried.

1. Public Comment Period – Taylor Samples
2. Approval of minutes. Motion made by Cunningham, second by Stumbaugh to approve the minutes from the March 27, 2023, regular meeting of the Prairie Grove City Council.
3. The treasurer’s report.
4. Unfinished Business
5. New Business
   1. Ordinance to update accrued sick leave for Police officers. Motion made by Stumbaugh, second by Ault to place the ordinance on first reading by title only. Ayes: Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion made by Stumbaugh, second by Ault to waive the second and third and pass the ordinance. Ayes: 7 Nays: None. Motion carried.
   2. Resolution to approve personnel policy for City, Fire and Police Depts. Motion made by Stumbaugh, second by Gragg to approve. Ayes: 7 Nays: None. Motion carried.
   3. Resolution to approve purchase of police vehicles. Motion made by Cunningham, second by Stumbaugh to approve. Ayes: 7 Nays: None. Motion carried.
   4. Resolution to accept bid from Sweetser Construction for Viney Grove Rd project phase 2. Motion made by Cunningham, second by Gragg to approve. Ayes: 7 Nays: None. Motion carried.
   5. Resolution to approve contract with Olsson for Viney Grove Rd project phase 2. Motion made by Ditmars, second by Stumbaugh to approve. Ayes: 7 Nays: None. Motion carried.
6. Reports of Committees:
   1. Sanitation
      1. New sanitation position is still open.
   2. Street
      1. Working on street cuts.
   3. Water/Sewer
      1. Downtown rehab should have streets repaired soon.
   4. Court
      1. Rachel sent out monthly report.
   5. Fire
      1. Two employees left the Fire Department. There are eleven applicants for the positions.
      2. Started annual inspections of the businesses.
   6. Parks and Recreation
      1. Change on cost of swimming lessons. $50.00 per child – no discounts. Motion made by Powell, second by Gragg. Ayes:7 Nayes: None. Motion carried.
   7. Police
      1. Busy as usual.
   8. Long-Range Planning
      1. Approved tract split for West.
   9. Senior Citizen
      1. Renovations from the state grant will start in May.
   10. Library
       1. NNR

1. Announcements
2. There being no further business before the council, a motion to adjourn was made at 7:57 pm by Cunningham, second by Clayton to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

