

WEST FORK CITY COUNCIL
Regular meeting minutes
November 14, 2017
6:30 pm

INVOCATION: given by Frank Dalmut followed by the Pledge of Allegiance
CONVENE: 6:37pm

VOICE ROLL CALL ALDERMEN:

Present: Misty Caudle, John Collins, Kira Hungate, Don Rollins, Jeff Upton, Jan Throgmorton, Anita Lowry, Joe Toher, Mayor Heith Caudle, and Attorney Tome Kieklak.
Absent: City Clerk Marsha Hungate

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Misty Caudle, 2nd by Joe Toher to approve the agenda as mailed. All voted in favor, MOTION PASSED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Joe Toher, 2nd by Misty Caudle to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2017 meeting as mailed. All voted in favor, MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC FORUM:

1. Mrs. Dalmut, Kristin Cantrell, Allen White, and John Keller spoke against the conditional use permit for the event center on Stockburger Ave.
2. Jennifer Sims reported that the Economic Development Beautification Committee is continuing to work on the memorial project and Christmas light contest. She also reported that the welcome sign is almost finished and the tree give-a-way was a success.
3. Heath Clower asked the council to look into the property at 503 McKnight St. to see if there is anything the city can do to help get it cleaned up.
4. Greg Coroleuski spoke to the council about his concerns for the water pressure and the age of water lines on the east side of West Fork.

(A) BUSINESS REPORTS:

1. Planning Commission: Chairman Scott Oliver reported that the commission is working to get its minutes up to date and reviewing codes and ordinances that need to be updated. There was a guest speaker from the City of Fayetteville the last meeting to provide education and guidance for the Commission. The Commission also discussed mix use zoning and encouraging business growth.
2. Library: Librarian John Riley reported the telescope program is going extremely well and citizens should get on the waiting list if they are interested in renting the telescope. Mr. Riley also reported that the library board had an opening and the board has recommended Judy Tiller to fill that position. **Motion** by Jan Throgmorton, 2nd by Kira Hungate to appoint Judy Tiller to the West Fork Library Board. Unanimous vote, MOTION PASSED.
3. Court: Court Clerk, Vicky Mesplay reported that the courts have been busy. They are helping the police department during the absences of a police secretary and Vicky will be attending a training class for continuing education.
4. Police Department: Chief John Nelson reviewed the information provided in the council packet and informed the council that he and officer Langston are now certified

ALICE instructors. Officer Underwood completed marijuana recognition training and Officer Goggans completed the police academy with high honors and has also completed his Master Degree. Chief Nelson reported that the Halloween safe stop offered by the police and fire departments was a huge success.

5. Public Works: no verbal report given
6. Parks: Director Chad Harrison reported that the department has been busy cleaning and organizing during the off season. They have also been repairing and replacing Christmas lights and will assist the city crew in hanging the displays.
7. Fire Department: Chief Myers reviewed his packet information with the council. He also notified the council that the fire agreement with Greenland will expire in 2018.
8. Finance: Director Kristie Drymon reviewed packet information with the council and reported that there would be a Kick-Off meeting with Baldwin and Shell concerning the city works building on Nov. 15, 2017.

(B) OLD BUSINESS:

1. Conditional Use Permit- Carolyn Ramm, property on Stockburger Avenue
 - a. Dena McKnight, Travis Keyes, Martha Sanven, Joey Rodman, Shawn Rochelle, and Betty Reynolds spoke against approving a conditional use permit to Mrs. Ramm.
 - b. Michelle Winkler, Barbara Lindsey, Joe Wingate, and Carolyn Ramm spoke in favor of the conditional use permit.

MOTION by Joe Toher, 2nd by Anita Lowry to deny a conditional use permit to Carolyn Ramm for property on Stockburger Avenue. Roll call vote: Misty, No; Anita, Yes; Jeff, No; Jan, No; John, Yes; Kira, Yes; Don, No; Joe, Yes. 4/4 Tied vote- the Mayor voted Yes, **MOTION** to deny conditional use permit **PASSED**.

(C) NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance #467 to approve annexation of the "Lindsey Property"
Mrs. Lindsey asked the council to table this annexation. **MOTION** by John Collins, 2nd by Misty Caudle to table ordinance #467. Unanimous vote, **MOTION PASSED**.
2. Approval for police department to go over budget on the training line item.
Motion by Misty Caudle, 2nd by Joe Toher to allow the police department to go over budget on training line item. Unanimous vote, **MOTION PASSED**.
3. Resolution 2017-08 to approve the 2018 budget.
Motion by Don Rollins, 2nd by Joe Toher to approve resolution #2017-08. All voted in favor, **MOTION PASSED**.
4. Resolution 2017-09 authorizing the destruction of records
Motion by Jan Throgmorton, 2nd by Kira Hungate approve resolution #2017-09. Voice vote 7/1, **MOTION PASSED**.
5. Voting by Ward- Steve Winkler requested the council to consider changing the cities voting procedure from at large to by ward. Following some discussion the Mayor requested that the vote be tabled until the next meeting.

(D) MAYORS COMMENTS:

1. The Mayor informed the citizens of a possible power outage on a portion of Main Street.
2. Mayor Caudle reminded the citizens of the USA are a representative republic. The city cannot create business, private investment does that and the City encourages it.

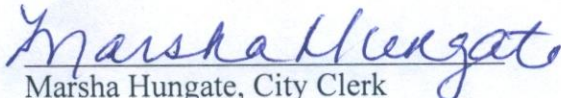
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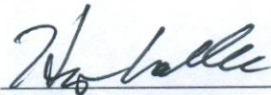
Motion by Joe Toher, 2nd by Misty Caudle to adjourn the meeting at 9:16pm. All voted in favor,
MOTION PASSED.

PASSED and APPROVED this 12 day of December, 2017

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Marsha Hungate, City Clerk


Heith Caudle, Mayor

