

MINUTES
GOSHEN CITY COUNCIL
August 11, 2020 at 6:30pm
124 Church Street
Goshen City Hall and Zoom

Call to Order: Mayor Max Poye called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum: Birch Wright, Bill Hewat, Angie Driver, and Paula Anderson were present and a quorum was declared. Colton Martin was absent. Lora Nanak the Office Manager, Josh Bailey from Hogue Law Firm, Linda Moore the Recorder/Treasurer, and Loren Shackelford the Chairman for the Planning Commission were also in attendance. Bernadette Boyle the Planning Commission Liaison was absent.

Approval of Agenda: Birch Wright made a motion to accept the agenda as written, 2nd by Bill Hewat. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Mayor Max Poye requested a correction be made to the July 14, 2020 minutes under Street Report: sand blasting was eliminated from the estimate for Spring Park Bridge in order to save the city \$2,500.00; power washing was done instead. Birch Wright made a motion to accept the amended minutes, 2nd by Bill Hewat. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Reports for 2020:

Police Department Reports: A summary of the Police Department report is in Council's packets. Chief Ball is out of town. Officer Travis gave a verbal summary.

Street Report: Mayor Max Poye gave an update on the Spring Park bridge repair.

We are moving forward with getting the Chat building built.

Birch Wright announced that Highway 45 has had some much-needed patch work done.

Goshen Volunteer Fire Department report: Reports are in Council's packets.

Planning Commission Report: Reports are in Council's packets.

Building Official's Report: Reports are in Council's packets.

Financial Report: Reports are in Council's packets. The General Fund balance as of July 31st was \$688,861.18. Street Fund balance was \$76,584.72. The additional 1% sales tax increase will be distributed in September.

The Census deadline has been extended.

Linda Moore gave an update on the CDs that expired at Bank of Fayetteville; these CDs were transferred to Signature Bank for 11 months at .80%

Parks and Recreation Commission Report: Cost proposals and bids were discussed for the Fun Park. Birch Wright made a motion to fund the Fun Park up to \$18,000.00 above the grant amount, 2nd by John Vaillancourt. All voted in favor and the motion carried. Once we get the grant, we will put the project out for bids. Public input was given. Attorney Bailey will draft up a resolution to memorialize the vote.

A special meeting was scheduled for August 18 at 12:00pm in order to accept the real-estate contract. The real-estate contract is required by the Grant Commission and is due at the end of August.

City Business

Security Remodel Update: Mayor Max Poye gave an update and stated that a rough estimate for the security remodel could exceed \$50,000.00. Mayor Max Poye said he would go over security idea with Chief Ball once the Chief returns from vacation. The Mayor also encouraged the Aldermen to come to City Hall in order to give their opinion.

Amended Final Plat for Riverside Estates: Loren Shackelford, the Planning Commission Chairman, explained the reason for this re-plat. Birch Wright made a motion to accept Mr. Shackelford's request for a re-plat to make the Riverside Estates in compliance with the Title company, 2nd by Bill Hewat. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Residential Subdivision Ordinance: This item is not ready for review. It will be put in final form to present to the public, hopefully by next months meeting.

Mashie Property Update: Mayor Max Poye stated that an appraisal had been done on the Mashie property and it appraised higher than the agreed upon purchase price; the Mashies agreed to the original purchase price of \$50,000.00. We will have a Special Meeting on August 18th to vote on this so that the Parks Commission will have the required information for the grant.

Full time Road/Maintenance Position: Annual expenses and work duties for a full-time road and maintenance employee were discussed. Mayor Max Poye will try to come up with a position description and budget numbers for next month's meeting.

Elected/Appointed Positions: The Recorder/ Treasurer attempted to turn in her paperwork to run for the elected position of Recorder. It was discovered that her residence is not in Goshen. It was determined that the Recorder is allowed to keep her appointed position until January 1st if no Goshen residence challenge her position. Attorney Baily will talk to the County Attorney regarding these issues.


Reports/Comments by Mayor, Aldermen, City Attorney or Recorder/Treasurer: Paula Anderson was the only Alderman who did not turn in her re-election packet. All Aldermen are running unopposed so they will all continue in their position.

Bill Hewat thanked the police department for their dedication.

Attorney Bailey is working with the County Attorney to get the Interlocal agreement underway.

Public Input: Input was given and questions were asked.

Adjournment: John Vaillancourt made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Birch Wright. All voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:28pm



Linda Moore
Recorder/Treasurer



Max Poye
Mayor