MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS

Conway, Arkansas
Tuesday 6:30 pm
January 10th, 2017

On this date the City Council of the City of Conway, Arkansas met in regular session. The following members being a quorum were present and acting: Alderman Hawkins, Alderman Grimes, Alderman Pruitt, Alderwoman Mehl, Alderman Ledbetter, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Jones, and Alderwoman Isby. Also, present and acting: Mayor Bart Castleberry, City Clerk Michael Garrett, and City Attorney Chuck Clawson.

Call to Order: Mayor Bart Castleberry

Roll Call: Michael O. Garrett

Minutes: December 13th, 2016 & December 20th, 2016

Alderwoman Smith motioned to approve the December 13th, 2016 & December 20th, 2016 minutes as submitted. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed 8-0.

1. Report of Standing Committees:

   A. Public Hearing:

   1. Public hearing/Ordinance to discuss the closing of a sewer and utility easement in Lot 1 and Lot 2A1 of the Ramada Inn Lot 2A Replat, located at 811 and 813 East Oak Street.

       O-17-01

       Mayor Castleberry declared the public hearing open and called for anyone who would like to speak for or against the request. Brad Peterson, Crafton Tull, was in attendance to answer any questions of the City Council. There were no questions. Mayor Castleberry closed the public hearing and brought the item back before the City Council for discussion.

       Alderwoman Smith motioned to waive the three readings of the ordinance. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0. Alderwoman Isby motioned to adopt the ordinance. Alderwoman Smith seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The clerk called the roll with the following voting “Aye”: Alderwoman Mehl, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Grimes, Alderman Hawkins, Alderman Ledbetter, Alderman Pruitt, Alderwoman Isby and Alderman Jones. The motion passed 8-0.
B. Community Development Committee (Planning, Zoning, Permits, Community Development, Historic District, Streets, & Conway Housing Authority)

R-17-01

1. Resolution acknowledging the election results of the general election held November 8th, 2016.
   Alderman Hawkins presented item B1 to the Council. There was no further discussion. Alderwoman Smith motioned to adopt the resolution. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed 8-0.

R-17-02

2. Resolution adopting the organizational rules and procedures for the Conway City Council FY2017.
   Alderman Hawkins motioned to adopt the resolution. Alderwoman Smith seconded the motion. Alderman Jones expressed he would like to keep the Committee and City Council meeting times at 5:30p and 6:30 rather than 5:00 and 6:00 as proposed in the resolution. After some discussion, Alderman Hawkins amended his motion to reflect the 5:30 and 6:30 start times for 2017 meetings. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 8-0.

3. Consideration to approve annual materials and services for the Street & Engineering Department.
   Finley Vinson, City Engineer, explained there were two bids that tied. Mr. Vinson suggested we use both the providers that tied on the bid. Alderwoman Smith motioned to adopt the resolution. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. Mr. Hawkins requested if the City was going to accept both bids we alternate projects in order to spread the work more evenly. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 8-0.

O-17-02

4. Ordinance accepting and appropriating donation funds for the Conway Tree Board for Arbor Day.
   Alderwoman Smith motioned to waive the readings of the ordinance. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0. Alderwoman Isby motioned to adopt the ordinance accepting the donation of $250.00 for the Conway Tree Board for Arbor Day. Alderwoman Smith seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The clerk called the roll with the following voting “Aye”: Alderman Hawkins, Alderman Pruitt, Alderwoman Mehl, Alderman Jones, Alderman Grimes, Alderwoman Isby, Alderman Ledbetter and Alderwoman Smith. The motion passed 8-0.
5. Ordinance appropriating grant funds for the Spencer Street Brownfield Cleanup project.

O-17-03

Alderwoman Isby motioned to waive the readings of the ordinance. Alderwoman Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0. Alderwoman Smith motioned to adopt the ordinance appropriating grant funds in the amount of $1,434.63. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The clerk called the roll with the following voting “Aye”: Alderman Ledbetter, Alderwoman Isby, Alderman Grimes, Alderman Hawkins, Alderman Pruitt, Alderwoman Mehl, Alderman Jones and Alderwoman Smith. The motion passed 8-0.

6. Ordinance accepting and appropriating funds from Faulkner County for updating GIS data from within The City’s Planning & Development Department.

O-17-04

Alderman Hawkins explained this ordinance was for accounting purposes, accepting and appropriating $14,000 annually from Faulkner County for updating their GIS data. Alderwoman Smith motioned to waive the readings of the ordinance. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0. Alderwoman Isby motioned to adopt the ordinance. Alderwoman Smith seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The clerk called the roll with the following voting “Aye”: Alderman Hawkins, Alderman Grimes, Alderman Pruitt, Alderwoman Mehl, Alderman Ledbetter, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Jones, and Alderwoman Isby. The motion passed 8-0.

7. Ordinance to rezone property located at 625 Tommy Lewis Drive from C-4 to O-1.

O-17-05

Alderman Hawkins reported to the City Council the next request was reviewed by the Planning Commission at its regular meeting on December 19, 2016. The Planning Commission voted 9-0 this request be forwarded to the City Council with a recommendation for approval. Alderwoman Smith motioned to waive the readings of the ordinance. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The clerk called the roll with the following voting “Aye”: Alderwoman Isby, Alderman Grimes, Alderwoman Mehl, Alderman Ledbetter, Alderman Pruitt, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Hawkins and Alderman Jones. The motion passed 8-0.
8. Ordinance to rezone property located at 732 & 740 South Harkrider from C-3 to I-3.

O-17-06

Alderman Hawkins reported to the City Council the next request was reviewed by the Planning Commission at its regular meeting on December 19, 2016. The Planning Commission voted 9-0 this request be forwarded to the City Council with a recommendation for approval. Tommy Shackleford was present to answer questions on behalf of Conway Corporation. Alderwoman Smith motioned to waive the readings of the ordinance. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0. Alderman Jones motioned to adopt the ordinance. Alderwoman Isby seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The clerk called the roll with the following voting “Aye”: Alderwoman Mehl, Alderman Ledbetter, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Hawkins, Alderwoman Isby, Alderman Grimes, Alderman Jones and Alderman Pruitt. The motion passed 8-0.

Adjournment

PASSED this 10th day of January 2017

APPROVED:

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Mayor Bart Castleberry

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City Clerk Michael O. Garrett