

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS

Conway, Arkansas
Tuesday, 6:30 pm
July 14, 2020

On this date the City Council of the City of Conway, Arkansas met in regular session. ***Due to restrictions imposed because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council meeting was held via Facebook Live on the City of Conway, Arkansas Facebook page, and the City of Conway YouTube channel.*** The following members being a quorum were present online and acting: Councilman Hawkins, Councilman Grimes, Councilwoman Mehl, Councilwoman Smith, Councilman Jones, Councilwoman Isby, Councilman Pruitt and Councilman Ledbetter. 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, City Clerk

Minutes: June 23, 2020

Councilwoman Isby motioned to approve the **June 23, 2020** minutes as submitted. Councilman Ledbetter seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed 8-0.

Conway Fire Chief Mike Winter was present and made a report to the Mayor and Council regarding COVID-19 updates and the City's response.

Report of Standing Committees:

A. Community Development Committee (Airport, Community Development, Planning & Development, Permits & Inspection (Code Enforcement), Historic District, Transportation).

1. Resolutions requesting the Faulkner County Tax Collector place a lien against various property for expenses incurred by the City.

R-20-53

Councilman Hawkins presented the Resolution to place a lien on property located at 310 Wellesley in the amount of \$178.76. There was no one present to represent the property. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The Resolution passed 8-0.

R-20-54

Councilman Hawkins presented the Resolution to place a lien on property located at 2530 Jayme Circle in the amount of \$142.75. There was no one present to represent the property. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The Resolution passed 8-0.

R-20-55

Councilman Hawkins presented the Resolution to place a lien on property located at 1832 South Blvd in the amount of \$217.28. There was no one present to represent the property. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The Resolution passed 8-0.

R-20-56

Councilman Hawkins presented the Resolution to place a lien on property located at 1365 Mitchell in the amount of \$516.75. There was no one present to represent the property. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The Resolution passed 8-0.

R-20-57

Councilman Hawkins presented the Resolution to place a lien on property located at 1499 Manor in the amount of \$702.83. There was no one present to represent the property. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The Resolution passed 8-0.

2. Ordinance appropriating donation funds for the Conway Tree Board for Arbor Day.

O-20-36

Councilman Hawkins presented Item A2 to the Council. Councilwoman Isby made a motion to waive the three readings and Councilwoman Smith seconded it. The motion carried 8-0. Councilwoman Smith

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made a motion to adopt the Ordinance and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The Clerk called the roll with the following voting "Aye": Councilman Hawkins, Councilman Grimes, Councilman Pruitt, Councilman Ledbetter, Councilwoman Isby, Councilman Jones, Councilwoman Smith and Councilwoman Mehl. The Ordinance passed 8-0.

3. Resolution approving the use of TAP funds for the College Avenue Shared Use Path to connect the Tucker Creek Trail on the north side of College to Farris Road.

R-20-58

Councilman Hawkins presented Item A3 to the Council. Finley Vinson addressed the Council stating that this is an Ordinance necessary to accompany the Transportation Alternatives Program Grant that the City is applying for through the Arkansas Department of Transportation. He added that if it is awarded, the Grant will be used for the Shared Use Path. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The Resolution passed 8-0.

4. Ordinance appropriating reimbursement funds from the ADEM Hazard mitigation for the reconstruction of the Tyler Street Bridge at Tucker Creek.

O-20-37

Councilman Hawkins presented Item A4 to the Council. Finley Vinson reminded the Council that the City was awarded this Grant last year which helped to pay for the reconstruction of the Tyler Street Bridge, and once the project was completed the balance of the Grant was awarded. Mayor Castleberry commended Mr. Vinson and his Department for completing the project in a timely manner. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to waive the three readings and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The motion carried 8-0. Councilwoman Isby made a motion to adopt the Ordinance and Councilwoman Smith seconded it. The Clerk called the roll with the following voting "Aye": Councilman Ledbetter, Councilwoman Isby, Councilwoman Mehl, Councilman Grimes, Councilman Hawkins, Councilwoman Smith, Councilman Pruitt and Councilman Jones. The Ordinance passed 8-0.

5. Resolution to enter into a contract to acquire property located at 300 South Donaghey for the Donaghey Avenue Improvement Project.

R-20-59

Councilman Hawkins presented Item A5 to the Council stating that the property is owned by the Lindsey Family Trust. Councilwoman Isby made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Smith seconded it. Charles Finkenbinder, Deputy City Attorney addressed the Council stating that this property is part of the Donaghey Avenue Project, Phase I that will install sidewalks on both sides of Donaghey, and widen the road for a bike lane. The Clerk called for a vote and the Resolution passed 8-0.

6. Resolution to enter into a contract to acquire property located at the corner of College Park Apartments for the Donaghey Avenue Improvement Project.

R-20-60

Councilman Hawkins presented Item A6 to the Council. Councilwoman Isby made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Smith seconded it. Mr. Finkenbinder told the Council that initially the documents on this property indicated that it was a stand-alone tract of about 341 square feet, but when a second survey was done it was determined that the smaller tract was a part of the larger tract owned by College Park Apartments. The Clerk called for a vote and the Resolution passed 8-0.

7. Resolution to enter into a contract to acquire property located at 2030 Hillman Street for the Donaghey Avenue Improvement Project.

R-20-61

Councilman Hawkins presented Item A7 to the Council. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The motion to adopt the Resolution carried 8-0.

B. Public Safety Committee (Police, Fire, District Court, Animal Welfare Unit, CEOC- Communication Emergency Operations Center, Department of Information Systems & Technology, & Office of the City Attorney)

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1. Consideration to approve the SRO contract with Conway Public School System.

Mayor Castleberry presented Item B1 to the Council. Police Chief Tapley addressed the Council stating that this is the annual contract with the public schools and the conditions of the contract will remain the same as previous years. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to approve the Consideration and Councilwoman Isby seconded it. The motion to approve carried 8-0.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Adjournment-----

PASSED this 14th day of July, 2020

APPROVED:

Mayor Bart Castleberry

City Clerk Michael O. Garrett