City of Conway
Council Meeting Summary
March 26th, 2013
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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; Alderwoman Smith, Alderwoman Mehl, Alderman Grimes, Alderman Pruitt, Alderman Ledbetter, Alderman Jones, Alderwoman Whitmore & Alderman Hawkins Also, present and acting: Mayor Tab Townsell, City Clerk/Treasurer Michael O. Garrett & City Attorney Michael Murphy.

**Ordinance Passed:**

O-13-26  Ordinance waiving bid requirements for the purchase of a central traffic management software upgrade system and to utilize Temple Inc. as a sole source vendor in the amount of $73,608.56 for the Street Department. **Vote 7-0 w/ Alderwoman Mehl was not present.**

O-13-27  Ordinance to rezone property located at 1845 Hairston from R-2A to R-2. **Vote 8-0**

O-13-28  Ordinance accepting & appropriating donated funds in the amount of $15,000 ($5000 each donated from Chamber of Commerce, CDC, & Downtown Partnership) to the Physical Plant Department. **Vote 8-0**

O-13-29  Ordinance accepting and appropriating grant proceeds in the amount of $29,113 to purchase bomb squad robot upgrade for the Conway Fire Department. **Vote 8-0**

O-13-30  Ordinance accepting donated items with a stated value of $2,306 from Chestnut Animal Clinic to the Conway Animal Welfare Department. **Vote 8-0**

O-13-31  Ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of $10,000 for pet cremation for the Conway Animal Welfare Department. **Vote 8-0**

O-13-32  Ordinance appropriating grant funds in the amount of $28,012.62 received from Arkansas Homeland Security Grant program for the Conway Police Department. **Vote 8-0**

O-13-33  Ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of $3,200 for civil service expenses. **Vote 8-0**

O-13-34  Ordinance appropriating funds in the amount of $1,850 for civil service testing expenses for promotional firefighter testing exam. **Vote 8-0**

**In Other Actions:**

Approved  Minutes from the February 26th, 2013 City Council meeting. **Vote 7-0**

Approved  Cuerden Sign cutting vegetation (bush hogging) on the highway right of way along the south side of I-40 adjacent to the Cuerden Sign Billboard located on the Kay Dickens property located just at the 124 mile marker & south side of I-40 adjacent to the billboard location located on DJ Waller property located at the 126 mile marker. **Vote 7-0**

Approved  Ruth Glover (reappointment) for five years on the Conway Housing Authority Board and approved Celesta Dokes to serve the remainder of Sydne Manley which expires in 2015. **Vote 7-0**
Approved Robert (Bob) James Whitehouse to the Conway Board of Directors. **Vote 7-0**

Approved Lease agreement extension with AETN. **Vote 7-0**

Approved Right of way acquisition for the Conway Western Arterial Loop (Baker Wills Parkway). **Vote 7-0**

Approved Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon on Salem Road at the Tucker Creek Trail Crossing with an estimated cost of $50,000. **Vote 7-0**

Approved Bid from IES for a firearm training simulator in the amount of $21,580 for the CPD. **Vote 8-0**

Approved Monthly Financial Reports ending February 28th, 2013. **Vote 8-0**

Rejected All bids for the annual bids for gasoline and diesel for the FY2013. **Vote 8-0**

**Employee Service Awards:**

5 Years
- Kevin Gauvey, Crew Leader
- Lydia Bland, Evidence Technician
- Eric Jackson, Monitor Supervisor
- Jonathan Bach, Groundskeeper
- Steven Thorpe, Police Officer

Street
Police
Parks & recreation
Physical Plant
Police

10 Years
- Ronald Teas, Collector

Sanitation

20 Years
- Cindy Nutter, Special Services Supervisor

District Court

**Held In Committee/No Action Taken:**

- Consideration to enter a ground option and lease agreement for a cell tower with Gridiron Towers. **Vote 7-0**

- Ordinance appropriating funds & waiving competitive bids for the replacement of the sound system for the City of Conway council meetings in District Court. **Vote 8-0**

*Special City Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 2nd, 2013 @ 4pm - Chamber of Commerce*

*Next regular scheduled City Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 9th, 2013*

*Deadline for council agenda items: Tuesday, April 2nd, 2013*

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