

CITY OF LONOKE
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 28, 2019

The Lonoke City Council held a special city council meeting in the administration room of City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 28, 2019. Mayor Trae Reed called the meeting to order with the invocation given by Efrem Jones. Mayor Reed asked Deputy City Clerk, Regina Ibbotson to call the roll. Deputy City Clerk Regina Ibbotson called the roll and declared a quorum.

Mayor	Trae Reed
City Clerk	Jeribeth Edwards (absent)
Treasurer	Phillip Howell
Deputy Clerk	Regina Ibbotson
Council Members	Efrem Jones, Matt Cordell, Raymond Hatton, Alice Bridges, Suzette Elmore, Michael Florence, Koy Butler, and Ryan Biles
City Attorney	Ginger Stuart
Police Chief	Randy Mauk
W/S/S Supt.	Jim Kelley /Jim Ed Ransom
C.C. Director	Mike Brown (absent)
Fire Dept.	Justin Whittenburg
Parks Director	Roy Don Lewis (absent)
News Media	John Hoffheimer, The Leader
Visitors	Jim Wiertelak and Cindy Reaves

- 1. RESOLUTION 1-3-2019 – “A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LONOKE FOR THE TWELVE (12) MONTHS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2019 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019, APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”** Michael Florence made the motion to put Resolution 1-3-2019 on the floor for discussion. Efrem Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mayor Reed explained the changes that had been made on the budget since the preliminary was presented. (A.) The major change was a re-allocation of county one cent funds. The Police Department percentage was raised to 42% (\$210,000). The Fire Department percentage was raised to 10% (\$50,000). Animal Control Department was raised to 5% (\$25,000). Water/Sewer Revenue’s percentage was decreased to 18% (\$90,000). These funds were re-allocated to give Police, Fire, and Animal Control additional needed revenues, while Water Sewer Revenue is carrying a very large bank balance that isn’t being used due to the Bond Improvements underway. (B.) An appropriation was added to the Administration budget to cover a Communication Package (\$25,000) that will be proposed and presented in March that will include iPads, microphones, PA system, name plates, a projection screen, etc. for the council room, a mobile app to report things directly to the city

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using pictures/descriptions, and billboard advertising. (C.) The line items titled Planning & Zoning Fees has been increased to \$15,000 to cover the cost of our new City Planner Contract with Jim Von Tungeln. Efrem Jones made the motion to adopt Resolution 1-3-2019. Koy Butler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Michael Florence made the motion to adopt the Emergency Clause. Efrem Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT QUOTES FOR DR. HOLMES OFFICE PROPERTY** – Four quotes were presented to the City Council for a basic environmental assessment of the property located at 305 SW Front Street. There are known issues with the property and this basic assessment will give the council the information needed to move forward in deciding what to do with the property. (A.) Snyder Environmental - \$950.00, (B.) EMTEC - \$1700.00 (C.) Nabholz Environmental Services - \$1850.00 and (D.) EEG Environmental Enterprises Group - \$2,230.00. All of these estimates include an inspection for asbestos, lead based paint with sample analysis and a written report. Efrem Jones made the motion to hire Snyder Environmental for \$950.00. Raymond Hatton seconded the motion. Motion carried. An estimate of probable cost to remediate could be requested once the initial assessment is received.

ADJOURN: Raymond Hatton made a motion to adjourn. Michael Florence seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Trae Reed

Attest:

City Clerk