

CITY OF LONOKE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 12, 2018

The Lonoke City Council held a city council meeting in the administration room of City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018. Mayor Wayne McGee called the meeting to order with the invocation given by Efreem Jones. Mayor McGee asked City Clerk, Jeribeth Edwards to call the roll. City Clerk Jeribeth Edwards called the roll and declared a quorum.

Mayor	Wayne McGee
City Clerk	Jeribeth Edwards
Treasurer	Phillip Howell
Deputy Clerk	Regina Ibbotson
Council Members	Efreem Jones, Janie Darning, Raymond Hatton , Pat Howell, Woody Evans, Michael Florence (absent), Koy Butler, and Wendell Walker
City Attorney	Ginger Stuart (absent)
Police Chief	Randy Mauk
W/S/S Supt.	Jim Kelley /Jim Ed Ransom
C.C. Director	Mike Brown (absent)
Fire Dept.	Justin Whitttenburg
Parks Director	Roy Don Lewis
News Media	Allison Goodman, Lonoke Democrat Jeffrey Smith, The Leader
Visitors	Rick Pennington, Brandon Achor, Leigh Ann Biernat, Walter Mc Spadden, Jacob Fair, Kirby Miraglia, Evelyn Bryant, Lou Ann Howell, Hannah Harris, Dorothy Grimes, Wen Grimes and Jim Bailey

**MINUTES:** Mayor Wayne McGee asked for acceptance of the minutes as recorded. Woody Evans and Raymond Hatton made the motion to accept the minutes as read. Raymond Hatton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- 1.) Rick Pennington was present and explained Resolution 3-1-2018, Support for Local Pharmacies dealing with PBMs. See New Business.
- 2.) Leigh Ann Biernat, Stephens Inc., was present and mentioned she was honored to be here and feels very good about what Lonoke will be. She mentioned that Stephens will insure the bonds. She congratulated the Mayor and the rest of the city council on how well money has been managed and to qualify for the amount of money that we have. The next order of business is to pass the ordinance to authorize the execution for the bond purchase agreement and the money will be available to the city on April 24, 2018. This ordinance is to authorize and issue the bonds between the City of Lonoke and Stephens. See Item #2 in New Business.

**PARKS/MOSQUITO:** Mr. Roy Don Lewis was present. Mr. Lewis mentioned that registration is over and ball will start soon. He mentioned that the ballpark needs a new popcorn maker. He had a quote from Tender Pop for an 8 oz. and a 12 oz. machine. The cost of it is \$1,252.41 and a 12 oz. for \$1,629.55. Pat Howell made a motion to purchase the 12 oz. machine. Janie Darning seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Lewis also mentioned that he needed to pour concrete for a 6 ft. sidewalk for Field 3. He had a quote from Reggie Wilkerson for \$2,800.00. Pat Howell made a motion to pour the concrete. Woody Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Lewis gave an update on the walking trail.

**COMMUNITY CENTER:** Mr. Mike Brown was absent. Mayor McGee gave report. The events for March are soccer sign ups, ends on March 10<sup>th</sup>. Drivers test every Monday and every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Justin Whittenburg was present and gave report. Mr. Whittenburg asked to upgrade lights for the trucks. He had a quote from CAP FLEET upfitters, Little Rock AR For \$1,305.99. Koy Butler made a motion to upgrade the lights. Raymond Hatton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

**Water:** Jim Kelley was present and gave report. Mr. Kelley mentioned that he needs to replace the 5 frames for the aerator. He had one quote from Jim Morris Welding for \$4100.00, the company asked to be paid half of the cost up front and the other half after completion of the project. Woody Evans made a motion to purchase the frames and to pay half before the project and the other half after the project is completed. Pat Howell seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Kelley asked to install new LED vapor light fixtures in the water treatment plant. He had an estimate from Nickleson Electric and Cable, LLC for \$1,764.10. Pat Howell made a motion to purchase the lights. Woody Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Street:** Jim Ed Ransom was present and gave report. He mentioned all the street signs are in for the SW corner of the city. Spring Cleanup will be April 14-21<sup>st</sup>. The mayor mentioned that he has allowed Mr. Ransom to start sending clean up letters on the houses that have burned in town.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Randy Mauk was present and gave report. He mentioned that \$8,610.00 was billed to immigration and Probation/Parole. Mr. Mauk mentioned that he is currently taking bids for generators for the PD.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. CONDEMNED PROPERTIES:**

- 1. Resolution to "Condemn Property at 214 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street- Roberts:** Woody Evans made a motion to give this property until April meeting. Efreem Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. **Resolution 9-1-2017 to "Condemn Property at 509 Reynolds" - Wendell** Woody Evans made a motion to give this property until April meeting. Efrem Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**B. WATCH LIST:**

1. **Mallard Point Golf:** Janie Dering made a motion to give this property until next meeting. Woody Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Grimes- 104 Willow Loop-** The owner was present and asked to table this property until April Meeting. Woody Evans made a motion to extend until April. Janie Dering seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Davis- 502 Barnes-**
4. **Privett- 5<sup>th</sup> Street Apartments-** Woody Evans mentioned that there has been new doors put in, there is lighting and security on the apartments. Pat Howell told the tenants and Ms. Privett to keep up the good work.

**C. New Properties to Consider for Condemnation**

1. **BROWN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST- 319 BROWN:** tabled until April Meeting
2. **COLE- 217 HARRISON** – tabled until April Meeting
3. **CANNON- 208 HARRISON:** tabled until April Meeting
4. **MARSHALL- 218 HARRISON:** tabled until April Meeting
5. **SPRING- 317 HARRISON ENGLAND** – tabled until April Meeting
6. **CUMMINGS- 221 VASSER LANE-** – tabled until April Meeting
7. **GENTRY- 719 S. CENTER-** tabled until April Meeting
8. **BELLO-319 REYNOLDS STREET-** tabled until April Meeting

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **RESOLUTION 3-1-2018- "Support for Local Pharmacies"**- Woody Evans made a motion to put Resolution 3-1-2018 on the floor. Wendell Walker seconded. Motion carried. Mayor McGee read the resolution and its entirety. Janie Dering made a motion to adopt the resolution. Woody Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **ORDINANCE 735 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SALES AND USE TAX BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COST OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS; PLEDGING A SALES AND USE TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.** The Mayor stated that consideration should be given to an ordinance authorizing the issuance of Sales and Use Tax Bonds. This was a matter with which the City Council was familiar and after a discussion, Alderman Pat Howell moved to have the Ordinance placed on first reading, title only, which motion was seconded by Alderman Janie Dering. All present voted in favor of the motion and the Ordinance was introduced.

The Ordinance was then read, title only. Alderman Pat Howell, seconded by Alderman Janie Darning, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance or resolution in full on three (3) different days be suspended and that the Ordinance be placed on its second reading, title only. The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, all aldermen present voted aye. Thereupon the Mayor declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the City Council having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended. The Ordinance was then read, title only. Alderman Pat Howell, seconded by Alderman Janie Darning, then moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance or resolution in full on three (3) different days be further suspended and that the Ordinance be placed on its third and final reading, title only. The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, all aldermen present voted aye. Thereupon the Mayor declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the City Council having voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule, the motion was carried and the rule suspended. The Ordinance was then read, title only, for the third time. Alderman Pat Howell, seconded by Alderman Efrem Jones, moved that the Ordinance be adopted. The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, all aldermen present voted aye. Alderman Janie Darning, seconded by Alderman Wendell Walker, moved that Section 25, the emergency clause, be adopted. The Mayor put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, all aldermen present voted aye. The Mayor thereupon declared the Ordinance and the emergency clause adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Clerk and sealed with the seal of the City. The Ordinance was given No. 735.

3. **CAPDD Administrative Services Agreement- Administer the CARTS TAP Grant-** Koy Butler made a motion to Pay CAPDD to administer the grant. Woody Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **RESOLUTION 3-2-2018- "Utilize Federal Aid-TAP funds Grant through Metroplan-** Koy Butler made a motion to put Res, 3-2-2018 on the floor. Efrem Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mayor McGee read Res 3-2-2018 and its entirety. Janie Darning made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Woody Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **CM&M Quote- Interstate Light Wiring- REVISED to meet AHTD requirements.** The original cost that the council had approved was \$10,933.00. The job ended up costing \$11,698.00. Efrem Jones made a motion to pay the difference. Wendell Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PAY THE BILLS:** Pat Howell made a motion to pay bills. Woody Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**BILLS ALREADY PAID IN FEB 2018**

City General	\$40,956.03
Water	\$24,651.56
Street	\$10,156.93
Community Center	\$10,561.39
Retail One Cent	\$1,179.02
Criminal Justice	\$848.42
Advertising Promotion	\$50.00
IDC One Cent	\$13,430.00
Street 1 Cent	\$3,565.96
2003 Depreciation Fund	\$3,800.00

**BILLS TO BE PAID IN MARCH 2018**

General Fund	\$20,225.76
Water O&M	\$27,189.18
Street	\$3,830.81
Community Center	\$4,276.15
Criminal Justice	\$104.56
IDC one cent	\$2,520.00
Court Automation	\$763.00

**ADJOURN:** Woody Evans made a motion to adjourn. Janie Dering seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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**Mayor Wayne McGee**

**Attest:**

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**City Clerk**