

CITY OF ARNOLDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 21, 2022

Council Present: Norma Craddock Tracy Massey Danny Morcom
Danny Sniff Jack Norman (absent for medical reasons)

Observers: N.M Fleming, N. Sanders, L. Dellinger

7:00 PM - Meeting called to order by Mayor Spearing

Minutes

On a motion from Danny Sniff, seconded by Danny Morcom, the minutes for the March 17, 2022 regular meeting were approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

On a motion from Danny Morcom, seconded by Norma Craddock, the minutes for the March 24, 2022 called meeting were approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

On a motion from Danny Sniff, seconded by Danny Morcom, the minutes for the April 11, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting were approved. Vote 4-0

On a motion from Danny Morcom, seconded by Danny Sniff, the minutes for the April 14, 2022 called meeting were approved. Vote 4-0

General Fund Financial Report

On a motion from Danny Morcom, seconded by Danny Sniff the March General Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

Water Department Report

Water Superintendent George L. Spearing, III reported that he has been purchasing extra materials due to delayed deliveries. He stated that materials are in short supply and prices are only good for 5-10 days before they increase. Oconee Well Drillers recently worked on Well #7 and it is now back up to full capacity running at 70 gallons per minute. A filter is needed to prevent sediment and Spearing is getting a price for this installation. Council member Danny Sniff inquired if it was time to find an additional well to accommodate all of the new taps that are being installed on the water system. Water Superintendent Spearing stated that a ½ acre spot would be required for a new well site. Spearing stated he also working to get the GW Bray Rd. well up and running again. Shelving to store supplies in the warehouse was also discussed. The mayor is still looking for a tractor. Prices are only good for about 9 days and we may not get it at the original price. Trailers are no problem to find at this time.

Council member Tracy Massey asked if the current tap fees cover the expenses for new installations. The Water Superintendent replied no.

After a short discussion regarding tap-on fees, Tracy Massey made a motion to increase tap-on fees as follows:

Outside City Limits from \$1,100.00 to \$1,200.00 per service

Inside City Limits from \$600.00 to \$700.00 per service

These changes will be effective as of May 1, 2022.

This motion was seconded by Danny Sniff. Approved Vote 4-0

Water Fund Financial Report

On a motion from Danny Morcom with a second from Norma Craddock, the March Water Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

Online Purchasing Quarterly Report

On a motion from Norma Craddock, seconded by Danny Sniff, the Quarterly Online Purchasing Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

TSPLOST Quarterly Report

On a motion from Danny Morcom, seconded by Norma Craddock, the Quarterly TSPLOST Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

Fire Department

Mr. Melvin Fleming reported that things were going fine. They had recently approved more breathing apparatus and the price was already locked in. They may possibly buy a new truck. They may also sell the old Rescue Truck and purchase a new one. The ISO Report is due in a couple of months.

Zoning

Land Use/Zoning Officer Lynn Shedd reported that he had issued a few permits for the month. He reported that he had spoken with Rick Allen regarding the possibility of hooking his new shop that is being built on the back of his recently purchased property off of Owensby Mill Rd. to the line on Pine Grove Rd. Due to this 2" line already being maxed out, Shedd informed Mr. Allen that he could not hook onto the line from Pine Grove Rd. Mr. Allen originally wanted to have two taps installed, one at his new home facing Owensby Mill Rd. and the other at his shop off of Pine Grove Rd. Mr. Allen had also inquired about the possibility of drilling a well instead. It was determined that there is no specific ordinance for an individual regarding the drilling of a well on their property within the city limits. Different guidelines apply for a subdivision.

Mr. Allen can drill a well on his property with the understanding that the location of his well would not interfere with any city wells and is in compliance with the Arnoldsville Well Head Protection Plan.

Old Business

Council member Danny Sniff reported no updates regarding the new sign for City Hall.

City Attorney Love reported that Mr. Paul Bunce, purchaser of the old city hall building, no longer had the sand cleaning business that he was planning to use the old city hall building for as an office. The council will make a decision on how to proceed by the next regular meeting.

New Business

City Clerk, Debbie Love had obtained a price for the cleaning of city hall of \$100 every couple of months or when needed. On a motion made by Danny Morcom and seconded by Norma Craddock, the council voted in favor. Vote 4-0

Other Business

Council member Danny Morcom stated that new flag poles were needed for the holiday flags. It was agreed that Mr. Morcom would research this.

Tracy Massey asked about possible options to use LMIG Funds such as a crosswalk at the Crossroads Intersection of Yancey Rd. and the Winterville Rd. She also asked about the possibility of paving Pine Grove Rd. Laura Dellinger, a visitor at the meeting, stated that she understood that the property owners were not in favor of paving the dirt road at Pine Grove Rd. After a little more discussion, Mayor Spearing stated that the council should continue to work on LMIG project ideas.

Council member Danny Sniff gave an update on the Firefly Trail. He stated that he had been in touch with the NEGRDC and they had expressed a desire for a plan acceptable to the city. They have asked for a Public Meeting to review the finished plans. The council decided to plan for the Public Meeting on May 23, 2022 beginning at 6:30 p.m. using a sign-in sheet and implementing time limits on each speaker.

Tracy Massey stated that there are many options to consider and it should be okay with using the right of way. Norma Craddock stated that other ideas regarding other alternative options came up years ago but it all needed to be revisited. This meeting should provide a design from NEGRDC. The trail as it pertains to Arnoldsville will use one mile inside the city limits. Norma Craddock stated that outside city limits residents would be interested as they will be impacted as well.

Observer, Nick Sanders, stated that questions that need to be addressed are things like upkeep, safety, and lighting. Norma Craddock also mentioned STOP signs at driveways of the property affected. Danny Sniff stated that it seems that the majority is not in favor and would prefer a re-route. Danny Morcom remarked that Firefly Trail people will do what they want to. Danny Sniff then stated that Arnoldsville should try to be in control of the destiny of the trail inside the city limits. The Public Meeting will be held on May 23, 2022 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM.

8:24 PM On a motion from Danny Sniff and a second by Danny Morcom, the council went into Executive Session to discuss property.

8:44 PM Executive Session Adjourned and regular meeting resumed.

Manufactured Home Amendment

The City Council held a vote regarding the recent Manufactured Home Amendment request by Jamie Allgood. A motion to accept the decision of the Planning Commission to **deny** the request was made by Danny Sniff and seconded by Norma Craddock. Vote 3-1

9:06 PM On a motion from Danny Sniff and seconded by Danny Morcom, the meeting was adjourned. Vote 4-0

 5/19/22
Mayor Date

Minutes prepared and submitted by City Clerk, Debbie Love, May 19, 2022