

CITY OF ARNOLDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 27, 2016 – 7:00 PM

Present: Mayor George Spearing, IV; Council Members: Greg Banks, Norma Craddock; Danny Morcom, Jack Norman, Lee Norman;; City Attorney, Danny Love; Water Super., George Spearing, III

Observers: Melvin Fleming, Colleen Hardman, Keith Hardman, Chad Harrell, Joyce Sniff

Media: Jessica Colquitt

Minutes

On a motion by Jack Norman, seconded by Lee Norman, the minutes for the September 15, 2016 meeting were approved as submitted.

On a motion by Danny Morcom, seconded by Jack Norman, the minutes for the **called zoning** meeting held on October 17, 2016 were approved as submitted. 5-0

General Fund Financials

On a motion by Jack Norman seconded by Lee Norman, the September General Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. 5-0

Water Fund Financials

On a motion by Greg Banks seconded by Norma Craddock, the September Water Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. 5-0

Water

Water Superintendent George Spearing, III reported that eight (8) new services would be coming on to the system in the next few weeks. He also reported that the new well is working fine. TankPro has recently washed out the city hall tank and completed the required maintenance. A question was raised regarding whether restrictions on water usage were needed due to the dry weather. Mr. Spearing stated that the wells are operating at a fraction of what they can do at this time, so no need for restrictions yet. Council member Danny Morcom asked about the status of the flag for the water tank, but Mr. Spearing stated that the company rep. has not contacted him.

Fire Department

Chad Harrell, Arnoldsville Fire Chief, was in attendance. Mr. Harrell reported that everything with the fire dept. is going fine. He stated that Arnoldsville had sent their fire engine to one of four fires recently and personnel were sent to all four fires. The fire dept. will have a fund raiser on Saturday, November 19 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. No tickets will be sold, they are asking that folks just come by to purchase bar-b-q and stew. The Oglethorpe EMS First Responders will be at the bar-b-q taking blood pressure and providing other minimal services. Mr. Harrell also announced that the fire department now has a facebook page which will enable them to list events, fire danger reports etc. The fire dept. has about \$1,000 worth of equipment that needs to be replaced.

A discussion was also held regarding the usage of the fire hydrants in the area by various county fire depts. Occasionally when several trucks have been called to a fire, they have to refill after the fire is over. There are specific hydrants that are better for topping off than others as this pulling water from the hydrants sometimes causes residential complaints of muddy water. The city has sent letters in the past to the various fire departments asking that if possible, they refill at these hydrants as opposed to just any hydrant. Of course, the city and residents understands that when a fire is in the process of being put out, whichever hydrant is the closest is the hydrant that should be utilized. Water Superintendent, George Spearing, III will provide a list of the best locations for fill-ups to the city clerk to be included in a follow-up letter.

General Business

The FY 2017 Budget Committee will meet on Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. to work on the upcoming budget. The committee consists of Mayor Spearing, Council members Greg Banks and Norma Craddock. City Clerk Debbie Love will also attend the meeting.

Council member Jack Norman inquired as to whether the city would participate in the annual holiday meal to be held on December 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the Arnoldsville Baptist Church. After some discussion, it was decided that the city council will participate. There will be a spaghetti supper, entertainment, and santa will also be present. This will be a joint effort on the part of the city council and the Arnoldsville Baptist Church.

The city clerk will call Tommy Cowart to inquire about the status of the tree removal on Stewart Circle. Mayor Spearing stated that Garrett Paving had scheduled to pave the street by Thanksgiving.

7:28 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Jack Norman with a second from Greg Banks. 5-0

 Mayor
Date 11/17/16

Minutes prepared and submitted by Clerk, Debbie Love, November 17, 2016