

# CITY OF ARNOLDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 21, 2018

Council Present: Mayor F. Spearing, IV Greg Banks Norma Craddock  
Danny Morcom Jack Norman Lee Norman

Visitors: H. Baker, Linda Callaway, M. Fleming,

Media: Jessica Colquitt

7:00 PM - Meeting was called to order by Mayor George L. Spearing, IV

## Minutes

On a motion by Greg Banks, seconded by Danny Morcom, the minutes for the May 17, 2018 meeting were approved as submitted. 5 - 0

## General Fund Financials

On a motion by Lee Norman seconded by Jack Norman, the May 17, 2018 General Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. 5 - 0

## Water

Water Superintendent George L. Spearing, III reported that all of the wells are working good. The new chemical feed pumps are all working well. There have been no breaks recently. The Owensby Mill Rd. well currently will not shut off. Oconee Well Drillers will be coming out to check it out. A new telemetry is needed for the tank located on Yancey Rd. The verbal estimate from TankPro to replace the telemetry is \$7,000.00. Spearing stated that if the cost was going to be that high, he would recommend getting the newer electronic technology that would provide information in addition to the water measurement in the tank such as if the wells are running and other useful updates.

On a motion from Greg Banks with a second from Jack Norman, the council voted for Mr. Spearing (Water Superintendent) to get more estimates and use his discretion to go ahead and make the best choice for the mobile notification for the water tanks. Vote 5 - 0

## Water Fund Financials

On a motion from Jack Norman with a second from Greg Banks, the May 17, 2018 Water Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. Vote 5 - 0

Mayor Spearing reported that he had been contacted by a private citizen wishing to drill a well near the Kimberly Court well owned by the city. After reviewing the Wellhead Protection Plan provided by EPD, it was suggested by the EPD that the city adopt a contingency plan for such situations. There is no law saying they cannot drill but Arnoldsville needs an ordinance regarding these types of situations. After some discussion regarding contamination, distance from the city well etc., Norma Craddock made a motion to table the subject with a second from Lee Norman until the city attorney has a chance to research and present information regarding this issue. Vote 5-0

### **Fire Department**

Fire Chief, Heath Baker reported that the fire department had responded to a few calls in the past month. They have been measured for the 50/50 Grant which will provide four sets of turnout gear. The new rescue truck is up and going. The fire department will be hosting a class on June 23 in Forsyth. They are still waiting on a firehouse grant and are taking bids on a parking lot. A donation of the rebar required will be received when parking lot is paved. The funding that is to be provided by the county will save the fire department over \$2,000.00 this year. A granite slab and sign have also been donated for the sign in front of the firehouse.

### **Code Enforcement/Zoning**

Council Member Danny Morcom reported that he had received a phone call with a complaint about junk in the yard of a house in the city limits. He stated that it was a "borderline" case. The Mayor will pass this information onto the Code Enforcement Officer. (Mr. Shedd was absent due to being on vacation).

Linda Callaway was present to inquire about the possibility of having a modular home placed on her property located inside the city limits at 139 Meyer Farm Rd. After some discussion, it was agreed that Ms. Callaway would get the specs of the home to the Code Enforcement Officer for a determination.

### **TSPLOST**

Arnoldsville was represented at the Oglethorpe County meeting regarding TSPLOST funding by Council Members, Danny Morcom, Jack Norman and Norma Craddock. They relayed to Board of Commissioners the position of the city on this matter.

**LMIG**

Mayor Spearing asked the council if anyone had come up with suggestions or project ideas for LMIG funding for the upcoming year. The original plan of using funding for designating a street in front of City Hall as City Hall Drive and doing the required paving etc. would not be possible due to time constraints on regulations etc. by the DOT. After it was determined that there are no projects that could be funded with the amount of money that would be received, Greg Banks made a motion to roll over the LMIG funds to next year with a second from Jack Norman. Vote 5-0.

**MILLAGE RATE**

Norma Craddock made a motion to keep the millage rate at 1.5. Danny Morcom pointed out that the city will most likely be incurring extra expenses referencing the ongoing litigation. Ms. Craddock withdrew her motion for further discussion.

8:04 PM – Greg Banks made a motion to go into EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss litigation. Motion was seconded by Norma Craddock. Vote 5 – 0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

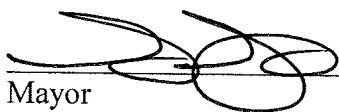
8:17 PM – Norma Craddock made a motion to adjourn the EXECUTIVE SESSION with a second from Lee Norman. Vote 5-0

**8:18 PM - Regular meeting resumed.** On a motion from Danny Morcom with a second from Norma Craddock, the council voted to retain the 1.5 millage rate for 2018. Vote 5-0

**OTHER BUSINESS**

An estimate for pressure washing the city hall building received was for \$375.00. Danny Morcom was going to check into getting another estimate to bring to the next meeting.

8:30 PM – Meeting adjourned on a motion from Greg Banks with a second from Danny Morcom. Vote 5-0

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Mayor Date

7-19-18

Minutes prepared and submitted by Clerk, Debbie Love, 7/19/18