

CITY OF ARNOLDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING May 19, 2015

Present: Mayor Banks, Council Members: Norma Craddock, Jack Norman, Lee Norman, Joyce Sniff, George Spearing IV; City Attorney, Danny Love; Water Superintendent, George Spearing, III; City Clerk, Debbie Love

Observers: M. Eidson, M. Fleming, D. Morcom, B. Seagraves

7:00 PM Mayor Banks called the meeting to order.

The minutes for the regular monthly meeting held on April 21, 2015 were read and approved as submitted on a motion from Jack Norman and a second from Joyce Sniff. Vote 5 - 0

The financial report presented for the month of April for the city's General Fund account was approved on a motion from Norma Craddock with a second from George Spearing IV. Vote 5 - 0

The financial report presented for the month of April for the city's Water Fund account was approved on a motion from George Spearing, IV with a second from Norma Craddock. Vote 5 - 0

Water

Water Superintendent, George Spearing, III reported that all wells are doing fine at this time. Water levels are down a little due to the dry weather. Spearing also reported that one new connection had been installed with potential since four more lots in the Stonebrooke subdivision had been cleared for building.

Mayor Banks pointed out that the city is under budget on the water expenses at this time at 31%.

The next item on the water agenda was the first reading of the water rate ordinance. On a motion from Joyce Sniff with a second from George Spearing, IV, the council voted to dispense with the ~~vote~~ *read* on the whole ordinance. Vote 5 - 0

The first reading was a condense version of the ordinance. City Attorney, Danny Love, just read pertinent information for this reading.

Fire Department

Mike Eidson, Arnoldsville Fire Chief, reported that everything was running smooth at this time. They are waiting on the FCC approval for installation of the repeaters.

Other Business

Mayor Banks reported that since Mr. Huff's inquiry regarding Pine Grove Rd. at the last council meeting, he had driven over the road. He stated that the road was in bad shape and was in need of some work. He stated that he had text messaged with Commission Chair, Billy Pittard inquiring about what if any part the county would be able to handle on getting the road repaired. He stated that the county would scrape and prep the road if the city pays for the gravel. An estimated cost of this work would be \$2,400.00. After some more discussion about different possibilities on fixing the road, a motion was made by Norma Craddock to use LMIG funds to scrape, prep and gravel Pine Grove Road plus improvement of the driveways located at City Hall. The motion was seconded by George Spearing, IV with a vote of 4 - 0. (Note: Council member Joyce Sniff had to leave the meeting due to a family emergency).

Mayor Banks will check with Barry Wood of the DOT regarding the necessary steps to use these funds and get this road work completed.

Next Mayor Banks reported that council member Joyce Sniff had contacted Mike Day to get an estimate on pressure washing the city hall building. The estimate was \$100 as long as Mr. Day had access to water. On a motion from Jack Norman and a second from Norma Craddock, the council voted to get Mike Day to do the pressure washing. Vote 4 - 0

George Spearing, III asked about getting the grass mowed around wells #7 and #8 located at GW Bray Rd. and Whites Run. The city clerk will call Mr. Houser to ask about getting these mowed.

City Attorney Love reminded the council that the new contract with Tank Pro for the water tank maintenance would be signed.

Mr. Morcom raised the question of zoning again with Mayor Banks stating that he is still checking into this issue. The mayor stated that there are private companies that can handle the zoning at a very expensive price. He also remarked that it is hard to find an inspector that will do anything that only requires maybe a one time a year job.

Council member Norma Craddock asked about area cities and their practice. She asked if any of those inspectors etc. might contract out for Arnoldsville. It was determined that Crawford has no zoning at this time and Lexington handles their own. City Attorney Love stated that enforcement would also be a major cost. It was also stated that it makes more sense for Oglethorpe County to handle zoning.

Next, Mr. Morcom inquired about the dog leash ordinance questioning the timeline. He stated that it needs to be changed.

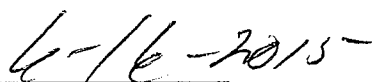
Mayor Banks stated that the "council had heard the concern," and would look into it further.

7:45 PM Meeting adjourned on a motion from Norma Craddock with a second from Lee Norman.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Debbie Love, City Clerk, June 16, 2015



Mayor Greg Banks



Date