

CITY OF ARNOLDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 17, 2019

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

Visitors: M. Fleming

Media: Jessica Colquitt

7:00 PM -Meeting called to order

Minutes

On a motion from Lee Norman, seconded by Danny Morcom, the minutes for the September 19, 2019 meeting were approved as submitted. Vote 5-0

On a motion from Danny Morcom, seconded by Jack Norman, the minutes for the October 10, 2019 Called Meeting were approved as submitted. Vote 5-0

General Fund Financial Report

On a motion from Norma Craddock seconded by Greg Banks, the September 2019 General Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. Vote 5-0

Water

Water Superintendent, George L. Spearing, III was absent due to medical problems. No water system issues were addressed.

Water Fund Financial Report

On a motion from Jack Norman with a second by Lee Norman, the September 2019 Water Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. Vote 5 - 0

On a motion from Danny Morcom with a second from Lee Norman, the Quarterly Online Purchasing Report was approved as submitted. Vote 5 - 0

Fire Department

Fire Chief, Heath Baker, gave a report for the fire department. He announced a reminder regarding the upcoming fund raiser on October 26. Baker also reported that due to the former Assistant Chief's moving, a new assistant had been chosen. Stephen Bray, Jr. is the new Assistant Chief. The fire department currently has two firemen in training after losing one recently due to a move. Chief Baker was pleased with the responses to the recent solicitation letters that were sent out. He also stated that the fire department should hear by November 5, 2019 regarding the county budget designations.

Code Enforcement/Zoning

Code Enforcement Officer, Lynn Shedd, reported on the recent arraignment hearing regarding a violation that was issued. The offender was given 45 days to get the place in question cleaned up with a start on repairing and improving the residence. If no progress is reported, a \$500 fine will be applied to the owner. The judge will then issue a bench warrant. So far, the only improvements made are cutting the grass and cleaning the yard. The city wants the residence remodeled or hauled away. The 45 day deadline will be on December 1, 2019.

Other Business

•2020 Budget

Next on the Agenda was the 2020 Proposed Budget presented by the Budget Committee made up of Mayor Spearing and Council Members Craddock and Morcom. After a short discussion and review, the council voted to accept the 2020 Proposed Budget as the official budget with a motion from Jack Norman and a second from Lee Norman. Vote 5-0

•Mayor Protem

Mayor Spearing then asked about going ahead and electing the Mayor Pro Tem for next year. On a motion from Jack Norman with a second from Danny Morcom, the council voted to elect the new Mayor Pro Tem for 2020. Vote 5 – 0

A nomination was made by Jack Norman to elect Danny Morcom as the next Mayor Pro Tem. No other nominations were presented. The council voted to appoint Danny Morcom for 2020. Vote 4 – 0

City Hall Planning and Development

The discussion then turned to the ongoing plans and development of the new city hall and water facility. Council member Greg Banks mentioned that Double A Hauling should be able to do the grading in the next couple of weeks.

Council member Danny Morcom asked shouldn't the city get a loan signed before signing a contract? The unanimous response was "yes." It has been determined that the city will need an approximate loan for \$157,055.00. The mayor will begin seeking funding.

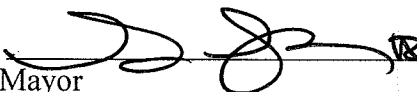
Jack Norman inquired if the council wanted to plan on hosting the Annual Holiday Supper. The Arnoldsville Baptist Church will be available on December 14, 2019 for the event. On a motion from Danny Morcom with a second from Jack Norman, the council voted to host the supper on December 14, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Arnoldsville Baptist Church. Vote 5 – 0

7:49 PM Danny Morcom made a motion with a second from Lee Norman to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation matters. Vote 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

7:52 PM Greg Banks made a motion with a second from Jack Norman to adjourn from the Executive Session and return to the regular meeting. Vote 5-0

7:53 PM Regular meeting resumed and adjourned with no further business.

 11-21-19
Mayor Date

Minutes prepared and submitted by Clerk, Debbie Love, November 21, 2019