

# CITY OF ARNOLDSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 15, 2021

Council Present: Mayor George Spearing IV Norma Craddock Danny Morcom  
Jack Norman Lee Norman Danny Sniff (absent)

Media: Jessica Colquitt

Visitors: M. Fleming, Betsey Collins, Jessica Brooks & children

7:00 PM - Meeting called to order

Mayor Spearing welcomed visitors from the Cherokee Society of Friends, Betsey Collins, Jessica Brooks and children. They came to present artwork completed by children of their congregation to be displayed in the new city hall building. The theme of the art was “Be a Ray of Sunshine.” They asked that the city use it as a Welcome Banner for the new City Hall building for one month. The mayor and city council expressed thanks for the artwork.

## **Minutes**

On a motion from Norma Craddock, seconded by Danny Morcom, the minutes for the March 18, 2021 regular meeting were approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

On a motion from Danny Morcom, seconded by Norma Craddock, the minutes for the April 5, 2021 called meeting were approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

## **General Fund Financial Report**

On a motion from Lee Norman seconded by Danny Morcom, the March 2021 General Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

## **Water Department Report**

Water Superintendent, George L. Spearing, III, reported that the wells are not pumping at capacity at this time due to lower usage. One new tap is expected to be installed soon. All wells are working fine. Spearing also reported that he had made calls inquiring about quotes on a filtration system with no response due to the companies being shut down. He stated that it was possible the system could be installed before the end of the summer.

## **Water Fund Financial Report**

On a motion from Jack Norman with a second from Danny Morcom, the March 2021 Water Fund Financial Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

## **Construction Account Report**

On a motion from Danny Morcom with a second from Jack Norman, the monthly Construction Account Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

On a motion from Danny Morcom with a second from Norma Craddock, the quarterly Online Purchasing Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

On a motion from Danny Morcom with a second from Jack Norman, the quarterly TSPLOST Financial Report was approved as submitted. Vote 4-0

## **Fire Department**

Mr. Melvin Fleming reported that due to a recent job change, Heath Baker, Fire Chief, was unable to attend. Mr. Fleming said that the building addition to the fire department is progressing and looks good. The fire department members have been working on weekends to get the bay completed. They are keeping up with no problems.

## **Code Enforcement**

Lynn Shedd reported no new activity regarding zoning at this time. He stated that he had made attempts to respond to a call and emails from someone from Verizon inquiring about a cell tower with no response so far. Mayor Spearing stated that he had emailed with the company giving them the zoning requirements etc.

## **Other Business**

### **●City Hall Marker**

Mayor Spearing asked the council about the replacement of the current marker out front. The marker has "Community Center" listed for the City Hall location. After a brief discussion, the council decided it should be removed and replaced with an appropriate sign. Mayor Spearing asked that the council think of possible displays for the new sign/marker.

### **●Sale of Old City Hall Building**

The deadline for bid submissions for removal of the old city hall is April 30, 2021. If no additional bids/inquiries are received by this date, the city will continue to research additional options to have the building removed.

### **●Federal Recovery Funding**

Mayor Spearing stated that he had nothing new to report on the funding.

●2019 Audit

City Clerk Love distributed an email correspondence received by Woodrow McNair of Hawkins & McNair CPAs regarding the status of the 2019 Audit citing ongoing difficulties in getting the audit completed by April 14, 2021 as had been previously requested by the city council. (copy attached) After a short discussion with Clerk Love explaining that this is the best option now regarding the 2019 Audit at this late date. The council agreed to allow Mr. McNair to finish the 2019 Audit by the next meeting, May 20, 2021, with further discussion to take place regarding the status of the 2020 Audit which is due September 30, 2021.

7:47 PM Meeting adjourned on a motion from Jack Norman with a second from Danny Morcom.

 5/20/21  
Mayor Date

Minutes prepared and submitted by Clerk, Debbie Love, May 20, 2021