

**CITY OF GENTRY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019**

The City Council of the City of Gentry, Arkansas, met in a regular session at the Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. on February 4, 2019. Mayor Kevin Johnston called the meeting to order. City Attorney Joel Kurtz gave the invocation.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ANSWERING ROLL CALL:

Janice Arnold	Jason Barrett	Michael Crawford	
Cindy Philpott	Kristi Reams	Jimmy Thorburn	Jason Williams

Absent Members: Dan Erskin

Others in attendance: City Clerk Jenny Trout, Police Chief K. Smith, Fire Chief V. Cripps, City Attorney Joel Kurtz, Mayor Kevin Johnston, Janie Parks, Maxine Foster, and others.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: January 7, 2019- Regular Council Meeting

Motion: Janice Arnold- to approve minutes as presented

Second: Jason Barrett

Roll Call: Arnold-yes Barrett -yes Crawford- yes
Philpott- yes Reams- yes Thorburn- yes Williams- yes

Motion approved.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

1. **Public Comment (Items Not on Presented Agenda)** No new comments
2. **Main Street Gentry Chamber of Commerce – Janie Parks** presented the calendar of events including the Gentry Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet set for March 7, 2019 at 6:30, to take place at the Wooden Spoon Restaurant and, Freedom Fest 2019 which is set for Thursday, July 4 from 12:00-10:00p.m. in the City Park.
3. **Gentry Senior Activity Center- Maxine Foster** Presented the February calendar of events. Everyone was encouraged to attend.
4. **Gentry Public Schools** – Jason Barrett on behalf of **Terrie Metz** announced upcoming Basketball events and dates.
5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - 1) **Dawn Hill East Bridge Update:** Notice was received to proceed with the design aspect. We are moving along with the project schedule.
 - 2) **Park Master Plan Update** – Mayor Johnston stated discussions were continuing and noted there will be park committee meetings beginning soon.

- 3) **Water Storage Facility Update-** It is possible there will be 2 phases to this project. Updates to follow as soon as available.
- 4) **RTP Grant (FCNA Walk Bridge)-** Notice was received we were approved for the walk bridge grant. Projected Total \$151,250.00. Also noted at this time was that notice was received we were not approved for the TAP grant regarding a sidewalk by the Gentry Intermediate School to the Fire Station.
- 5) **Walton Family Foundation Tree Grant:** The \$75,000 grant in which over 200 trees were provided, proved successful with remaining funds still available. Mayor Johnston will be meeting with the foundation in order to map out possible additional locations for further planting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) **Public Meeting (ARDOT-HWY 12 & 43 Rural Roundabout)-** Notice of Public Meeting by ARDOT has been distributed and will take place at the Gentry Public Library on February 28th from 4:00-7:00p.m.
- 2) **The Orchards of Gentry, LLC-**An Architects rendering of the intentions of the new addition was provided for all to review and will be presented at the next Planning Commission Meeting on Thursday, February 21st.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

***Planning Commission Meeting, February 21, 2019 @ 7:00p.m.**

Fire Chief Vester Cripps announced that the EMS transport and response to calls are going even better than expected, with estimated turn around time to be under 20 minutes per call.

There being no other new business the Mayor entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Barrett- to adjourn this meeting

Second: Williams

All in favor. None opposed.

Motion Approved.


CITY CLERK:
JENNY TROUT


MAYOR: KEVIN JOHNSTON
CITY OF GENTRY