

**CITY OF GENTRY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020**

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 3, 2020. 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	Jason Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dan Erskin; Jimmy Thorburn

Others in attendance: City Clerk Jenny Trout, Police Chief Clay Stewart, Fire Chief V. Cripps, Randy Moll, City Attorney Joel Kurtz, Mayor Kevin Johnston, Maxine Foster, and Ray Arnold.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: January 6, 2020- Regular Council Meeting & January 21, 2020

Special Council Meeting: after discussion, with regard to the January 6th Regular Council meeting minutes, it was determined the City Clerk would include the names of the Park Advisory Committee Members, Position 8: Josh Coones and, Position 10: Richard Stripling , referenced in section 4 of the New Business section of the January 6th meeting minutes **and**; regarding the January 21st Special Council meeting minutes, note that Janice Arnold made the Motion to accept the Fire Truck Purchase Resolution not Mr. Barrett.

Motion: Barrett- to approve minutes as presented with corrections

Second: Arnold

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

Motion approved.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

- 1. Public Comment (Items Not on Presented Agenda)** No new comments
- 2. Main Street Gentry Chamber of Commerce – Janie Parks** was under the weather and unable to attend. She will deliver her comments at the next meeting.
- 3. Gentry Senior Activity Center- Maxine Foster** -Presented the February calendar of events, everyone was encouraged to attend.
- 4. Gentry Public Schools – Terrie Metz** was also under the weather and unable to attend. Jason Barrett spoke on her behalf stating the School Board Meeting had been bumped up a week and parent teacher conferences were set for February 20th and 21st.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1) **Dawn Hill East Bridge Bid Acceptance Resolution:** A Resolution Authorizing the City of Gentry, Arkansas to Enter into a Contract with Crossland Heavy Contractors, Inc. Pursuant to its Bid for the Dawn Hill East Road Bridge Replacement Project and Requesting Approval by ARDOT for said Bid, was presented for review and consideration.

Motion: Crawford- to pass the Resolution as presented

Second: Williams

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

Motion passed.

- 2) **Park Master Plan Update:** Request for Proposals Construction Management Services and related information, including an estimate provided by McClelland Consulting Engineers, Inc., was presented to the Council for review and consideration. After lengthy discussion, with much focus on the ballpark and splash pad areas, it was determined the Council felt strongly, the City would better benefit in leaving the existing ball parks "as is". That said, Mayor Johnston stated he would continue to further research other possible land purchase options to accommodate the anticipated changes. Discussions continued in relation to the Splash Pad/Park idea. Location options were presented for consideration and it was decided that, of the options presented, 3 and 4 proved most favorable, with option 5 coming in last, among those present. Mayor Johnston was encouraged with the progress made and will continue to update Council with any further information.
- 3) **Water Storage Facility Update:** Mayor Johnston stated plan designs should be in by February 14, 2020 and ready for presentation to the Council at the March 2nd regularly scheduled meeting. More updates to follow.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) **Public Hearing Resolution- Petition to Vacate Street (Moongate Estates):** A Resolution Fixing March 2, 2020 for Hearing Petition to Vacate a 30' Strip of Land Running North and South Between Meeker Drive and Wilson Drive was presented to the Council for review and consideration.

Motion: Williams- to pass the Resolution as presented

Second: Philpott

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

Motion passed.

2) **Phillips Park Subdivision Final Plat Acceptance Ordinance:** was presented to the Council for review and consideration.

Motion: Crawford- to suspend the rules and read by heading only

Second: Philpott

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

Motion passed.

City Attorney Joel Kurtz read by Heading only: An Ordinance Accepting the Final Plat of Phillips Park Subdivision, Gentry, Arkansas; Declaring an Emergency and For Other Purposes

Motion: Barrett- to pass on three readings with a single vote

Second: Reams

Roll Call: Reams- yes Philpott- yes Williams- No
 Arnold- yes Barrett- yes Crawford- yes

Motion passed.

Motion: Crawford-to pass on Emergency Clause

Second: Barrett

Roll Call: Reams- yes Philpott- yes Williams- No
 Arnold- yes Barrett- yes Crawford- yes

Motion failed on emergency clause for lack of required 2/3 full council vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Planning Commission Meeting, February 20, 2020 @ 7:00p.m.

City Sales & Use & County Tax numbers were provided for 2018, 2019 & 2020

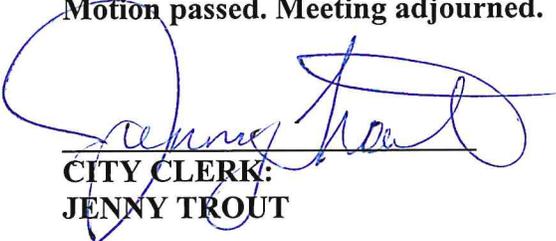
There being no other new business, the Mayor entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Crawford- to adjourn this meeting

Second: Barrett

All in favor. None opposed.

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.


CITY CLERK:
JENNY TROUT


MAYOR: KEVIN JOHNSTON
CITY OF GENTRY