

Gentry Public Schools- Terrie Metz was unavailable. Jason Barrett provided the following information: Prom is set for April 9th from 8:00-11:00p.m. at the Cypress Barn; High School spring play is April 21st – April 24th. The spring choir concert is scheduled for April 26th from 6:00-8:00p.m. and, the spring band concert will be April 28th from 6:00-8:00p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1) Park Master Plan Update:

- a) **Splashpad:** Mayor Johnston stated work on punch-list items continues and, the rules sign is estimated to arrive on April 26th. The splashpad is set to open Memorial Day Weekend.
- b) **Sports Complex:** Mayor Johnston announce work continues on the punch-list items and they are waiting for the grass to get established in order to open. Also, another Walton Foundation grant was received for additional trees to be planted.
- c) **Playground Surface Replacement:** Mayor Johnston stated the city was looking at replacing the surface with turf. This would be paid for with utilized funds.

2) **Water Storage Facility Update:** Larry Gregory with Garver announced the project is 95%-97% complete, with electrical and site work to finish up next week- weather permitting. The project is currently under budget and is estimated to be completed by June 18, 2022.

3) **117 N. Smith Ave. Update:** Mayor Johnston shared with council members the contract date between the previous owner and the new property owners has passed. Clean up work continues, and further updates will be provided.

At this time, council member Janice Arnold inquired about the property on Byers St. Mayor Johnston provided a code violation flow chart that has been established. Discussion was had regarding said chart, expectations of the process and, dealing with property owners.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) **Three Springs Subdivision, Phase 1 Final Plat Approval Ordinance:** An Ordinance Accepting the Final Plat of Three Springs Subdivision, Gentry, Arkansas; and for other Purposes, was presented for review and consideration:

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

Second: Williams

Roll Call: Erskin- yes Page-yes Philpott-yes
 Williams-yes Arnold-yes Barrett-yes Crawford-yes

Motion passed. City Attorney Joel Kurtz read by heading only.

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

Second: Erskin

Roll Call: Erskin- yes Page-yes Philpott-yes
 Williams-yes Arnold-yes Barrett-yes Crawford-yes

Motion passed.

2) **Document Destruction Affidavits:** Records destruction affidavits for the City of Gentry, as well as the Gentry Police Department, were presented for consideration:

Motion: Barrett- to approve destruction of the items presented

Second: Williams

Roll Call: Crawford-yes Erskin-yes Page-yes Philpott-yes
 Williams-yes Arnold-yes Barrett-yes

Motion passed.

3) **City Ward Redistricting Ordinance:** An Ordinance Redistricting City Wards within the City of Gentry, Arkansas, Adopting a new City Ward Map, and for Other Purposes, was presented for review and consideration:

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

Second: Barrett

Roll Call: Williams-yes Arnold-yes Barrett-yes
 Crawford-yes Erskin-yes Page-yes Philpott-yes

Motion passed. City Attorney Joel Kurtz read by heading only.

Motion: Crawford- to pass on three readings with a single vote; to accept the Ordinance Recognizing Plan 1

Second: Philpott

Roll Call: Williams-yes Arnold-yes Barrett-yes
 Crawford-yes Erskin-yes Page-yes Philpott-yes

Motion passed.

4) **Ecrash Grant Equipment Purchase Resolution:** A Resolution Approving Grant-Funded Purchase and Installation of Computers and Related Items in Patrol Vehicles, was presented for review and consideration: Chief Clay Stewart provided explanation for what the equipment was, how it had been applied for and, the necessity of said equipment for police officers and the department.

Motion: Erskin- to accept the resolution as presented

Second: Crawford

Roll Call: Williams- yes Arnold-yes Barrett-yes
 Crawford-yes Erskin-yes Page-yes Philpott-yes

Motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

- *School Library Month Proclamation April 2022**
- *Mayors' Monarch Pledge Proclamation April 18, 2022**
- *Planning Commission Meeting, April 21, 2022 @ 7:00p.m.**
- *Arbor Day Proclamation April 23, 2022**
- *Spring Citywide Cleanup Event w/Tree Giveaway April 23-24, 2022 (200 trees are scheduled for giveaway)**
- *Limb Curbside Pickup Begins Week of April 25, 2022**
- *Bagged Yard Waste Curbside Pickup April 27, 2022**
- *City Sales and Use & County Tax numbers for 2020-2022 were listed**

Mayor Johnston took this time to inform the council that the grant regarding improvements to the intersection of Highways 59 & 12- had been approved. Stating that surveying and design were already in process. Projection date: November 2023.

There being no other new business:

Motion: Barrett

Second: Page

All in favor. None opposed.

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

**CITY CLERK:
JENNY TROUT**

**MAYOR: KEVIN JOHNSTON
CITY OF GENTRY**