

Pea Ridge City Council
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2019

The Pea Ridge City Council met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Room at the City Hall Administration Building.

Those present were: Mayor Jackie Crabtree, City Clerk Sandy Button, Aldermen Matt Ahart, Ray Easley, Steve Guthrie and Cody Keene. Also present was City Attorney Shane Perry.

Others present were: Tony Townsend, Nathan See, Ken Hayes, Kevin Hayes, Scott Stewart, Lynn Hahn, Tammy Hahn, Brian Armas, Derry Camp, Sharon Camp, Annette Beard, Tony Warren, Starla Billington, Michael Lisenbee, Chris Olson, Jack Wassman, Sue Elverston, Kevin Felgenhauer, Melissa Pruitt, Sommer Pruitt, Josh Johnson, Cheyenne Holt, Alan Bland, Joby Abert, Louwauna Obert, Michelle Holt, Nate Holt, Phil Shelton, Lee Ann Shelton, Shane Henson, Greg Turner, John Knowlton, Diane Knowlton, Karen Rocha, Janice Lasater, Nick Larsen and Ginger Larsen.

Mayor Jackie Crabtree called the meeting to order.

Mayor Jackie Crabtree opened the meeting in prayer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Alderman Easley moved, seconded by Alderman Keene to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2019, Regular Meeting. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Matt Ahart voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Chief of Police Lynn Hahn and Lt. Michael Lisenbee presented Nate and Michelle Holt with the Pea Ridge Life Saving Award. They explained that on August 11, 2019, when the outside temperatures were in excess of 98 degrees a baby was left in an unattended vehicle in the Walmart parking lot for over 45 minutes. Mr. and Mrs. Holt step into action and broke out the window of the vehicle and saved the infant's life. Their heroic actions went above and beyond to save a life and make a difference in what could have been a tragic situation.

The Council discussed the Police Department Policy and Procedures Manual. Mayor Crabtree read Resolution Number 426, which is entitled:

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PEA RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**

Alderman Keene seconded by Alderman Guthrie moved to approve the Resolution Number 426 the Pea Ridge Police Department Policy and Procedure Manual. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Matt Ahart voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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Alderman Guthrie moved, seconded by Alderman Keene to approve the emergency clause on Resolution Number 426. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Matt Ahart voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Water Wastewater Supt. Ken Hayes updated the Council on the progress of the new Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Supt. Hayes also shared the City's water/sewer rates in comparison to other cities in our area, please see attached. The second part of the approved sewer rate increase will go into effect on the October Water/Sewer bills. The increase amounts to \$5.90 per 4,000 gallons.

Supt. Hayes stated two bids were received for the new Sewer Department Crane as listed below:

Custom Equipment Company, Fort Smith, AR	\$12,507
Integrity Automotive, Bethel Heights, AR	\$12,560

Alderman Guthrie moved, seconded by Alderman Easley to accept the bid from Custom Equipment Company, Fort Smith, AR. in the total amount including tax of \$14,055.68. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Matt Ahart voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Street Supt. Nathan See stated the 31st Annual Pea Ridge Mule Jump will be Saturday, October 12 starting at 9 a.m. General Admission is \$5 per adult and children ages 6-12 \$2 and age 5 and under free.

The Council discussed the Electronic Payment Use Agreement. Mayor Crabtree read Resolution Number 425, which is entitled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN INTERAGENCY SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT WITH INFORMATION NETWORK OF ARKANSAS

Alderman Keene seconded by Alderman Ahart moved to approve the Resolution Number 425 the Interagency Service Level Agreement with Information Network of Arkansas. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Matt Ahart voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Five Easements and Right-Of-Way Grants were presented to the Council for approval as listed below:

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Rex Ripper, Hazelton Road – 13-00184-593
Jerry & Bonnie Austin, Hazelton Road – 13-00184-586
Shae and Dana Burk, Hazelton Road – 13-00184-584
Clarence & Debi Guinn, Hazelton Road – 13-00184-590, 13-00184-592
Carroll Electric Cooperative Corp., Hazelton Road – 13-00184-595

Alderman Easley moved, seconded by Alderman Guthrie to approve the following easements as presented:

Rex Ripper, Hazelton Road – 13-00184-593
Jerry & Bonnie Austin, Hazelton Road – 13-00184-586
Shae and Dana Burk, Hazelton Road – 13-00184-584
Clarence & Debi Guinn, Hazelton Road – 13-00184-590, 13-00184-592
Carroll Electric Cooperative Corp., Hazelton Road – 13-00184-595

The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Matt Ahart voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

The Council discussed the 5 Mills Ad Valorem Taxes for the City of Pea Ridge. Mayor Crabtree read Resolution Number 427, which is entitled:

**A RESOLUTION TO LEVY AD VALOREM TAXES OF THE CITY OF
PEA RIDGE, ARKANSAS**

Alderman Guthrie seconded by Alderman Easley moved to approve Resolution Number 427 to levy 5 Mill Ad Valorem taxes for the City of Pea Ridge. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Matt Ahart voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

The Council discussed the Agreement for Emergency Medical Services. Mayor Crabtree read Resolution Number 428, which is entitled:

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION
BY THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF
PEA RIDGE, ARKANSAS AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY AND BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS, FOR EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SERVICES.**

Alderman Guthrie seconded by Alderman Ahart moved to approve Resolution Number 428 the Agreement Between the City and Benton County for Emergency Medical Services. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Matt Ahart voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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The Council set a Committee of the Whole Meeting for Tuesday, October 8th at 6 p.m.

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Guthrie to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Jackie Crabtree, Mayor

Sandy Button, City Clerk