

Pea Ridge City Council
Regular Meeting
October 20, 2020

The Pea Ridge City Council met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 20, 2020, 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, Council members Ginger Larsen, Ray Easley, Steve Guthrie and Cody Keene. Also present was City Attorney Shane Perry.

Others present were: Tony Townsend, Nathan See, Ken Hayes, Annette Beard, Jack Wassman, Lynn Hahn, Nick Larsen, Annette Beard, Jesse Fryer, Kevin Felgenhauer, Jim Brown, Judy Holm, Mike Seay, Eli Seay, Franklin Miller and William Wessels.

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.

Mayor Crabtree offered condolences to the family of John Easley who passed away September 25th. John Easley was a Mayor, City Councilman, member of the Chamber of Commerce, Bank President, business owner and friend to so many in the City of Pea Ridge, He will be truly missed. Also, condolences to the family of John Burkett was passed away October 17th. John Burkett served one term as City Recorder-Treasurer for the City and was a friend to many. He also will be truly missed.

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Guthrie to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2020, Regular Meeting. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Fire Chief Jack Wassman explained Ordinance Number 688 adopting the Pea Ridge Fire Department Standard Operating Procedures.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 688, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PEA RIDGE FIRE DEPARTMENT STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES.

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Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Easley, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance on three different days be suspended. Mayor Crabtree put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Thereupon Mayor Crabtree declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council have voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule. The motion was carried, and the rule suspended. Mayor Crabtree then read the Ordinance by title only.

Alderman Guthrie, seconded by Alderman Keene, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance on three different days be further suspended. Mayor Crabtree put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderwoman Larsen, moved that the Ordinance be adopted. The question was put by Mayor Crabtree on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

The Mayor thereupon declared the Ordinance adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder and sealed with the Seal of the City.

Fire Chief Jack Wassman explained Ordinance Number 689 amending the fire protection service fee as follows:

Residential	- \$48/year, \$4 monthly installments
Residential with Home Occupation	- \$48/year, \$4 monthly installments
Open Land	- \$48/year, \$4 monthly installments
Small Business with No Hazard	- \$108/year, \$9 monthly installments
Small Business with High Hazard	- \$180/year, \$15 monthly installments
Large Business with No Hazard	- \$180/year, \$15 monthly installments
Large Business with High Hazard	- \$240/year, \$20 monthly installments

The Council agreed to review this ordinance, it was tabled until the November Regular Meeting.

Water Wastewater Supt. Ken Hayes updated the Council on the progress of the new Wastewater Treatment Plant. Supt. Hayes stated because of workers being quarantined for covid the new date of completion will be sometime in November. The scheduled date for the plant to be up and running will be December 1, 2020.

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Supt. Hayes stated the Sewer Department needed a new sewer camera that would cost approximately \$20,000. The City Attorney will prepare an ordinance for the purchase of this camera to be presented at the November Meeting Regular Meeting.

Street Supt. See stated they had 34 dumpsters with 112 tons of bulk items from the Annual Fall Clean Up. The Council complimented the Street Department on the great job they did on the fall cleanup for the City.

Alderman Guthrie moved, seconded by Alderman Keene, to approve a bill from the Arkansas Municipal League for the AML Service Charge in the amount of \$40.00 and the Municipal Legal Defense Program in the amount of \$9,588.00 and the MLDP-CDL employee Drug Testing Program in the amount of \$958.80. The total amount due for these three services is \$10,586.80. The amount last year was \$17,777.80. The roll being called; the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene seconded by Alderman Easley, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 685 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 685 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PEA RIDGE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 14,
THE OFFICIAL ZONING ATLAS MAP OF PEA RIDGE, ARKANSAS, TO
REZONE CERTAIN LAND BELONGING TO TIMOTHY & AMBER MARTA
FROM AGRICULTURAL (A-1) TO RESIDENTIAL (R-1).

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Easley, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance by title only on three different days be suspended. Mayor Crabtree put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Thereupon Mayor Crabtree declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council have voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule. The motion was carried, and the rule suspended. Mayor Crabtree then read the Ordinance by title only.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, moved that the Ordinance be adopted. The question was put by Mayor Crabtree on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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Alderman Guthrie seconded by Alderman Keene, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 686 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 686 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL PLAT OF ELKHORN RIDGE
SUBDIVISION, PHASE IV, PEA RIDGE, BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
THE DEDICATION OF UTILITY EASEMENTS, STREET AND OTHER
PUBLIC WAYS THEREIN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance by title only on three different days be suspended. Mayor Crabtree put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, moved that the Emergency Clause be adopted. The question was put by Mayor Crabtree on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

The Mayor thereupon declared the Ordinance and Emergency Clause were adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder and sealed with the Seal of the City.

Alderman Keene seconded by Alderman Guthrie, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 687 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 687 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL PLAT OF FOX SPUR
PHASE II SUBDIVISION PEA RIDGE, BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:
THE DEDICATION OF UTILITY EASEMENTS, STREETS AND OTHER
PUBLIC WAYS THEREIN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderwoman Larsen, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance by title only on three different days be suspended. Mayor Crabtree put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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Alderman Guthrie, seconded by Alderman Keene, moved that the Emergency Clause be adopted. The question was put by Mayor Crabtree on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

The Mayor thereupon declared the Ordinance and Emergency Clause were adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder and sealed with the Seal of the City.

The Council discussed advertising for bids for a one server Solid Waste Services Agreement. The price will stay the same at 14.50 per month for one year with a 5-year optional renewal. Additional benefits will be occasional large item pick ups and recycling. The Council also discussed mandatory participation within the City Limits. This agreement still needs some fine-tuning before bids specs are completed. This matter will be discussed again at the November Regular Meeting.

Alderman Guthrie moved, seconded by Alderman Keene to approve the Sanitary Sewer Service Easement for Jim Brown, Shelby Forest Subdivision, parcel # 13-01200-25. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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Street Supt. Nathan See presented two material cost quotes for approval for the Patton Street extension as listed below:

CMS Investment, Bentonville, AR	Select Fill and Delivered (red dirt)	\$115.00
APAC-Central, Fayetteville, AR	Class 7 Bass Material and Haul Rate	\$ 13.10

Alderman Guthrie moved, seconded by Alderman Easley to approve the select fill and delivery (red dirt) in the amount of \$115.00 per load. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Guthrie moved, seconded by Alderman Keene to approve the Class 7 Bass material and haul rate in the amount of \$13.10 per ton. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Ray Easley voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

The Council set the date of November 5, 2020, at 3:30 p.m. for a Committee of the Whole Meeting to discuss the 2021 Budget.

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

Jackie Crabtree, Mayor

Sandy Button, City Clerk