

Pea Ridge City Council
Regular Meeting
September 21, 2021

The Pea Ridge City Council met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, 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, Merrill White, Steve Guthrie, and Cody Keene. Also, present was City Attorney Shane Perry.

Others present were: Nathan See, Lynn Hahn, Ken Hayes, Nick Larsen, Annette Beard, Stephanie Henson, Jared Powell, Tim Salmonson, Kevin Faught, Sean Campbell, Kinley Miller, Karen Sherman, Memphis Snyder, Calvin Snyder, Elizabeth Villines and Ryan Bowman.

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 Keene moved, seconded by Alderwoman Larsen to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2021, Regular Meeting. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 726 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 726 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE
OF WATER AND SEWER REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS;
PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF
AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS; PRESCRIBING OTHER
MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY.

Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Keene, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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; Merrill White 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.

Mayor Crabtree read Resolution Number 470, which is entitled:

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

Alderman White moved, seconded by Alderman Guthrie to approve Resolution Number 470. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

On a recommendation from the Mayor, Alderman Guthrie moved, seconded by Alderwoman Larsen to appoint Stephen Jones to the Pea Ridge Park Commission. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

The Council set a Committee of the Whole meeting for Thursday November 4, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. to discuss the 2022 Budget.

Mayor Crabtree read Resolution Number 471, 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.

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Alderwoman Larsen moved, seconded by Alderman Keene to approve Resolution Number 471. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Street Supt. Nathan See explained to the Council that even though we bid the Peck Road Bridge Project; no bids were received for this repair. Supt. See further explained that if the project is complete by April 1, 2022, we would be refunded 35% of the project costs. City Attorney Shane Perry suggested we pass an ordinance tonight waiving competitive bidding for this project so that this project can proceed as soon as possible.

Street Supt. See also passed out the Pea Ridge Engineering Department 2021 Street Condition and Distress Book, explaining the different levels of road conditions within the City.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 724 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 724 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY
TO THE CITY OF PEA RIDGE; APPROVING THE SCHEDULE OF SERVICES TO
BE EXTENDED TO SAID AREA; AND ASSIGNING SUCH TO WARDS

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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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.

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Alderman Guthrie, seconded by Alderman Keene, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 725 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 725 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE ANEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF PEA RIDGE; APPROVING THE SCHEDULE OF SERVICES TO BE EXTENDED TO SAID AREA; AND ASSIGNING SUCH TO WARDS AND ZONING SAID TERRITORY

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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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.

The council discussed the December 31, 2020, City of Pea Ridge Regulatory Basis Financial Statements and Other Reports from Legislative Audit. The City again had a perfect audit with no comments. Alderman Guthrie moved, seconded by Alderman Keene to accept the 2020 Audit as presented. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 727 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 727 by title only, which is entitled:

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

Alderman Guthrie, seconded by Alderman Keene, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve 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 White, seconded by Alderman Keene, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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.

Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 728 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 728 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 SHAWN HERRINGTON FROM
AGRICULTURAL (A-1) TO RESIDENTIAL (R-1).

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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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.

Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Keene, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 729 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 729 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 FIVE STONE DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT, LLC
FROM A-1 AGRICULTURAL TO R-2 MEDIUM DENSITY.

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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve 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 White, seconded by Alderman Keene, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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.

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The Council discussed Ordinance 730 to rezone land belonging to Mark R. Valdez from R-2 Medium Density to R-3 High Density. Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Larsen to remand this Ordinance back to the Planning Commission for further consideration.

Alderman Guthrie, seconded by Alderman Keene, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 731 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 731 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 KINLEY AND JERRI MILLER FROM AGRICULTURAL (A) TO RESIDENTIAL (R-2).

Alderman White, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve 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 White, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman White, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 732 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 732 by title only, which is entitled:

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Alderman White, seconded by Alderman Keene, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman White, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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.

Alderman Keene moved seconded by Alderman Guthrie to approve two Permanent Easements and Right of Way Grants and an Asset Dedication as listed below:

Reed, Leslie and Lisa
Parcel #18-05407-004
Russell Yeates Road & Dale Shrader Road
Pea Ridge, AR 72751

PMD Enterprises, LLC
Parcel #18-7942-000
Highway 94 N.
Pea Ridge, AR 72751

Dan Taylor
2877 Peck Road
Pea Ridge, AR 72751

Mayor Crabtree read Ordinance Number 733, which is entitled:

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AN ORDINANCE WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING;
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve 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 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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

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; Merrill White voted aye; Steve Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye.

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; Merrill White 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 32nd Annual Mule Jump will be Saturday, October 9th starting at 9 a.m.

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

Jackie Crabtree, Mayor

Sandy Button, City Clerk