

Pea Ridge City Council
Regular Meeting
October 18, 2022

The Pea Ridge City Council met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 2022 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, Tony Townsend, Ken Hayes, Annette Beard, Shane Henson, Stephanie Henson, Dustin Phy, Watson Neal, Jared Powell, Mike Seay, Eli Seay, Dylan Jump, Eldon Jump, Margaret Jump, Kalene Griffith, Mitzi Taylor, Jeff Bates, Nick Larsen, Lynn Hahn, Ray Easley, Ken Hayes and Monte Keene

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 Alderman Guthrie to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2022, 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.

Kalene Griffith, President Visit Bentonville described their A & P Program to the Council. An A & P Program showcases your town by branding, promoting and selling it as a tourism destination improving the quality of life and stimulating economic development. There are several laws and ordinances governing the way an A & P Program works within a City. Most of the money generated by the A & P Program will be used for Operations, Advertising and Parks/Facilities. A Committee of the Whole meeting will be scheduled to further the discussion on an A & P Program for Pea Ridge.

Police Chief Lynn Hahn introduced new employee Tom ONeal who will be the City's Code Enforcement and Animal Control Officer.

Police Chief Hahn requested authorization to donate the Police 2013 Dodge Ram to the Street Department and the Police 2014 Dodge Charger to the Fire Department. Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Guthrie, to donate the Police 2013 Dodge Ram to the Street Department and the Police 2014 Dodge Charger to the Fire Department. 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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Police Chief Lynn Hahn explained Therapy Canine Policy Number 761 to the Council. Chief Hahn also introduced our new canine therapy dog that will be used by SRO Officer Mindy Fowler in the schools. Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Guthrie to approve Therapy Canine Policy Number 761 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 Alderwoman Larsen, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 774 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 774 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 ELDON AND MARGARET JUMP
FROM AGRICULTURAL (A-1) TO RESIDENTIAL (R-3).

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.

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 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 Guthrie, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 775 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 775 by title only, which is entitled:

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AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL PLAT OF ARLINGTON
PHASE 2 SUBDIVISION PEA RIDGE, BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS:
THE DEDICATION OF UTILITY EASEMENTS, STREETS ANOTHER
PUBLIC WAYS THEREIN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 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.

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.

Mayor Crabtree read Resolution Number 487, 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 A
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES ON A TASK
ORDER BASIS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND
HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC.

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Guthrie to approve Resolution Number 487. 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 Thursday, October 27, 2002, at 4:30 p.m. for a Special Meeting to discuss an ordinance for Water and Sewer Impact Fees.

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Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderwoman Larsen, 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 \$14,101.85 and the MLDP-CDL employee Drug Testing Program in the amount of \$1,311.80. The total amount due for these three services is \$15,453.65. The amount last year was \$14,469.80. The roll being called; the vote was as follows: Ginger Larsen voted aye; Merrill White voted aye; Steven Guthrie voted aye; and Cody Keene voted aye. Motion passed.

A Committee of the Whole Meeting was set for Monday, November 7, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss 2023 Budget and the development of an A & P Program.

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

Jackie Crabtree, Mayor

Sandy Button, City Clerk