

Minutes
CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, July 18, 2024, 6:00 P.M.,
CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY HALL

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Rose called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –Mayor Rose lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE – A moment of silence was observed.

ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM – City Clerk Penny Trumpy called roll call: Present, Harrison, Smith, Ishmael, J Tatum, Rowland, and Mayor Rose. Absent: R Tatum, Thompson, and Martin. Quorum established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Council Member Smith ask the Agenda to be amended to include Approval Amy Kreutzer to fill the Treasurers position and access to online banking under old business #1, and Resolution 2024-15 concerning Hiring Jody Shackelford as City Attorney under New Business #2 Seconded by Council Member J Tatum. Motion passed 5 yes's

PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS (limit 3 minutes per person) None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Council Member Smith motioned to approve the June 20, 2024 Council Minutes, seconded by Council Member J Tatum. Motion passed 5 yes's

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

FINANCIAL REPORT: Discussion Sales & Use Tax Street Dept Revenue

MAYOR'S REPORT: I wanted to start out:

- Thanks to everyone involved with the July 4th fireworks display on Lake Thunderbird. Several people voiced that this year was the best one they had seen in awhile. There was a large turnout even with the challenge of the highway closure, seasonally hot weather, and July 4th falling on a Thursday.
- The boat parade was well attended and the food vendors kept busy.
- The Cherokee Village Police Department along with the Sharp County Search and Rescue Team made short work of the traffic after the shows conclusion. Great Job.
- Thank you to the Cherokee Village Street Department for the use of the traffic control barrels and getting the detour signs posted to help with the traffic flow.
- Thank you to the Cherokee Village Fire department for the great pancake breakfast, setting up to wet the grass down on the dam so the fireworks could be set off, and for providing medical aid for the event.
- Thank you to Spring River Ambulance Service for providing an ambulance crew to stand by for the fireworks show.
- Update on the bridge project: The crew has been working extended hours to hopefully complete on time. They have run into several delays from the massive amount of rock to having to work around the other utility companies. The base and pillars have been poured in place and the forms for the roadway have been installed. Now the weather needs to cooperate.
- September is the target for when the highway will be back open.
- REMINDER: The city streets that are being used for alternative routes are narrow and have multiple driveways with people entering and exiting so please drive with due caution. The speed limit has been set at 15 MPH on East Lakeshore Drive from Sequoyah Ridge Road to Cherokee Road; the speed limit on Okmulgee Drive is 30 MPH.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: See Cherokee Village Web site for reports on File. **PLEASE SPEAK INTO THE MICROPHONE**

ANIMAL CONTROL: ON FILE

COMMUNITY SERVICE: ON FILE - May – June and June - July

DISTRICT COURT: ON FILE

FIRE DEPARTMENT: ON FILE – The new equipment is in use and was able to be viewed at the June Council Meeting.

PLANNING & ZONING: ON FILE - May & June

POLICE DEPARTMENT: ON FILE

OTHER REPORTS

ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE MINUTES: NO REPORT

A & P MINUTES: ON FILE Council Member Rowland wanted to Thank everyone who was involved in the July 4th activities.
Thank you to Search and Rescue for helping with parking cars.

AIRPORT MINUTES: ON FILE

P & Z COMMISSION MINUTES: ON FILE – May & June

TRI-COUNTY SOLID WASTE: NO REPORT

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Treasurer Vacancy** – Mayor - Council to approve Amy Kreutzer to fill the Treasurer's position.
 - a. Council Member Smith motioned that Council is approving Amy Kreutzer to fill the Treasurer's position. Amy Kreutzer Treasurer and Misty Casey as Administrative are approved by Council to have access to the online banking, and credit card accounts. Deb Weichinger past Treasurer is to be removed from all access to any of the City of Cherokee Village's accounts as of today July 18, 2024. Seconded by Council Member Rowland. Roll call vote: Smith yes, Ishmael yes, J Tatum yes, Rowland yes, Harrison yes.
Motion passed 5 yes's.
2. **Attorney Vacancy** – Mayor Rose introduced Jody Shackelford, of Iron Rock Law Firm to be appointed as City Attorney.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Our Town Grant Artwork Presentation – Jonathan Rhodes** Present the Our Town grant Artwork to Council to be displayed at City Hall. Jonathan explained the grants and the parts of the grant and how it will benefit the City. The information can be viewed at OurCherokeeVillage.org.
2. **RESOLUTION 2024-15 AMENDS SECTION 3 OF RESOLUTION 2015-11 (CITY ATTORNEY'S DUTIES AND COMPENSATION).**
 - a. Council Member Smith to read Resolution 2024-15 by title only, seconded by Council Member Ishmael, Roll Call vote: Ishmael yes, J Tatum yes, Rowland yes, Harrison yes, Smith yes.
Motion passed 5 yes's
 - b. Council Member Ishmael motioned to pass Resolution 2024-15 Amends Section 3 of Resolution 2015-11, seconded by Council Member Smith. Roll call vote: J Tatum yes, Rowland yes, Harrison yes, Smith yes, Ishmael yes. Motion passed 5 yes's.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS ON CITY RELATED BUSINESS (limit 3 minutes per person)

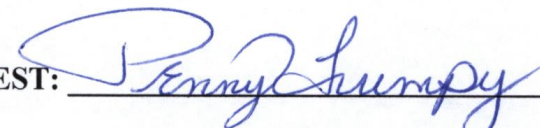
- Jan Madsen expressed concern on a property on her street and Code Enforcement involvement in correcting. Mayor Rose explained that department is short staffed currently and they are doing the best they can at this time.
- Mayor Rose stated the City is looking for people to hire to fill a few positions.
- Council Member Rowland express her concerns on this topic also.

ADJOURNMENT Council Member Smith motioned to adjourn, seconded by Council Member J Tatum.
Meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM.

DATE: 06/16/2024

APPROVED: 

Steven R. Rose, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Penny Trumpy, City Clerk



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