

## **February 25, 2020**

### **Dyer City Council**

The Dyer City Council Meeting was called to Order by Mayor Bill Morse at 5:30pm. The pledge of allegiance was said, and roll call completed by Lynn Hubbard Recorder/Treasurer.

Roll Call:

Present were:

Alderman Randy Beard  
Alderman Donna Staton  
Alderman Myrna Burns  
Alderman Katherine Fry

Absent was

Alderman Nancy Smith  
Alderman Robert Porter

Public Forum:

Mitchell Carolan: I was born in Fort Smith Arkansas and a lifelong resident of Arkansas. I bought my farm just outside City limits of Dyer approximately 25 years ago. I am running for Justice of the peace for District 12 and I would appreciate your support and I will try my best to represent everyone in District 12 to the best of my ability.

Elaina Demante: I have been your Justice of the Peace for the last 13 years, I am currently the budget chair, the director of the boys and girls club. The reason I became Justice of Peace is because I like to work with children and the elderly. In the time that I have been on the Quorum Court there have been attempts to cut funding for CJS for abused and neglected children and the funding for senior meals. I have fought that tooth and nail and it has not happened. This is something that I will continue to fight. We have a small ranch near Mulberry boarder that we raise horses. We have Boys and Girls club at Paris, Alma, Mountain burg and now we are looking at Mulberry.

Jerry Don MacAdoo addressed the council regarding his water bill in excess of \$300. This is an issue that has been going on for about 10 years. The usage keeps going up and up. There seems to be air in my water lines and there are only 3 of us living in the house. I have done a lot of research talking to Van Buren Water Works, my plumber has spoken with Alma Water Works. I have spoken with most of the council members and we have a graft showing the usage over the past 10 years and it seems to be going up and up with most of the usage showing up in the winter months. Veronica, Lonnie and Jerry Don MacAdoo have met and discussed this and will continue to meet to arrive at a resolution. Veronica stated she would keep the council updated on progress via emails.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve December 10, 2019 meeting minutes by Alderman Katherine Fry and seconded by Alderman Randy Beard.

Roll Call:

Alderman Randy Beard- yes

Alderman Donna Staton- yes

Alderman Myrna Burns- yes

Alderman Katherine Fry-yes

A motion was made to approve the January 28, 2020 meeting minutes by Alderman Myrna Burns and seconded by Alderman Donna Staton.

Roll Call:

Alderman Randy Beard- yes

Alderman Donna Staton- yes

Alderman Myrna Burns- yes

Alderman Katherine Fry-yes

Approval of Financial Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the January 2020 General, Street, Water, Sewer and Sanitation Revenue and Expenditures by Alderman Randy Beard and seconded by Alderman Katherine Fry.

Roll Call:

Alderman Randy Beard- yes

Alderman Donna Staton- yes

Alderman Myrna Burns- yes

Alderman Katherine Fry-yes

**New amended budget for street and water. Addition of street loan line item and adjustments in other areas. Water supplies line added.**

A motion was made to accept Water and Sewer budget amended February 2020 by Alderman Donna Staton and seconded by Alderman Katherine Fry

Roll Call:

Alderman Randy Beard- yes

Alderman Donna Staton- yes

Alderman Myrna Burns- yes

Alderman Katherine Fry-yes

A motion was made to accept Street Fund Budget amended February 2020 by Alderman Donna Staton and Alderman Myrna Burns.

Roll Call:

Alderman Randy Beard- yes

Alderman Donna Staton- yes

Alderman Myrna Burns- yes

Alderman Katherine Fry-yes

The amendment of the Budget for 2019 will be postponed until March 2020 council meeting.

Mayor Report: None

Administrative Assistant Report:

Spring Cleanup to be scheduled in April.

Metron Water Meters are being replaced because of malfunctions and we are replacing with mechanical water meters and we need to direct City Attorney how to respond to Metron who is billing us for satellite transmission of the meter data that don't work accurately. City Attorney states it would really be a contract negotiation due to breach of contract for product that did not perform as it was intended too. Dyer went thru at least 7 different types of antennas for transmission to no avail. If we are to discontinue the use of the Metron Meters we need to decide and negotiate the best deal we can to get out of the contract. We still have 119 in the ground. They can be replaced as they die out with the mechanical meters.

City of Mulberry is having the same problems with the meters. When the water infiltrates the electronics, it shuts it down. A motion was made to authorize the Mayor and Public Works director to negotiate an end to the contract with Metron by Alderman Randy Beard and seconded by Alderman Katherine Fry.

Roll Call:

Alderman Randy Beard- yes

Alderman Donna Staton- yes

Alderman Myrna Burns- yes

Alderman Katherine Fry-yes

Police Report:

Josh Winford started Police Academy 02/24/2020. Crawford County has been contacted and will be taking calls for us.

Fire Department: Josh Winford request that when he finished police academy that he be allowed to attend a 2-week course that will allow him to carry the title of Fire Marshall.

A motion was made to allow attendance at Fire Marshall training for Josh Winford by Alderman Donna Staton and seconded by Alderman Randy Beard.

Roll Call:

Alderman Randy Beard- yes

Alderman Donna Staton- yes

Alderman Myrna Burns- yes

Alderman Katherine Fry-yes

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Motion made to Adjourn made by Alderman Randy Beard and seconded by Alderman Myrna Burns.

Roll Call:

Alderman Randy Beard- yes

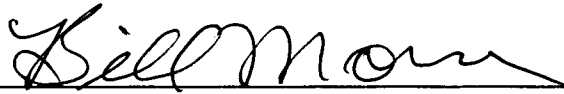
Alderman Donna Staton- yes

Alderman Myrna Burns- yes

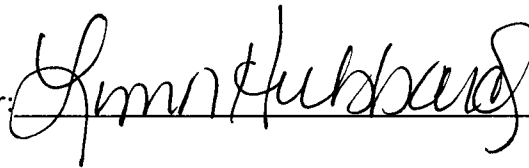
Alderman Katherine Fry-yes

Meeting Adjourned at 6:35 pm

Mayor:

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Recorder/Treasurer:

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