

Regular Meeting Gravette City Council

July 28, 2011

6:00 pm

401 Charlotte Street SE

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Warren at 6:00 p.m. A roll call attendance was taken. Denver here, Stidham here, Crose here, Rambadt here, Smith here, Howard here. City Attorney Tom Smith and City Recorder/Treasurer Mike von Ree were present. Jonas Edgmon, Pastor of Northwest Arkansas Christian Center gave the opening prayer. Mayor Warren led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Denver to approve the agenda for the meeting. Stidham seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion passed.

Comments from the Citizens:

No comments.

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting 6/23/2011

Minutes of the June 23, 2011 Council Meeting were reviewed. Rambadt made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Crose seconded the motion. A vote was taken, five ayes, Denver abstained, motion passed.

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meetings 7/14/2011

Minutes of the July 14, 2011 Committee of the Whole Meetings were reviewed. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Rambadt seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion passed.

New Business

Contract with EGIS Engineering

A contract for services with EGIS Engineering for the upgrading of the Gravette Waste Water Disposal Plant was reviewed and approved by City Attorney Smith and signed by Mayor Warren.

Museum/Library Privacy Fence

A motion was made by Howard and seconded by Crose to proceed with the project using the lowest bid. A roll call vote was taken, Denver aye, Stidham aye, Crose aye, Rambadt aye, Smith aye, Howard aye. All ayes, motion passed.

Surplus Vehicles

Rambadt made a motion to declare the following vehicles as surplus. Stidham seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion passed.

1994 Ford F-350 Excellence Ambulance VIN 1FDK37M3RNA98518 Unit #2361

1984 Grumman Pumper VIN IFDPK84N1FVA70742 Unit #2314

1993 Case Backhoe #JJG0170871 (Serial number only; no VIN)

Care and Share Rezoning

Attorney Smith read an ordinance titled “AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS LOCATED AT 103 HUNTINGTON STREET SE FROM R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO C-2 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL”. Howard pointed out that the date of the special planning commission meeting was incorrect. The ordinance showed July 17, it should have been July 20. The correction was made. Denver made a motion to approve the first reading and place the ordinance on second and third readings by title only. Crose seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Denver aye, Stidham aye, Crose aye, Rambadt aye, Smith aye, Howard aye, all ayes motion passed. Attorney Smith read the ordinance by title only. Howard made a motion to “Do Pass”. Denver seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Howard aye, Smith aye, Rambadt aye, Crose aye, Stidham aye, Denver aye, all ayes motion passed. Ordinance number 11-12 was assigned.

Cemetery Ordinance Amendment

The ordinance was not in the packages, only the marked up rules and regulations. Denver made a motion to table the issue to the August 11, 2011 Committee of the Whole meeting. Rambadt seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion passed.

Fire Truck Purchase

Mayor Warren, Chief Smith and Assistant Chief Skaggs went to Texas to check out 1987 Heavy Rescue Pumper Truck. The asking price was \$33,000.00. Denver made a motion to approve the purchase of the unit. Crose seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Denver aye, Stidham aye, Crose aye, Rambadt aye, Smith aye, Howard, all ayes, motion passed.

Gravette Pool

The Gravette Public Pool will be closed on Gravette Day, August 13, 2011. A swim meet will be held on Thursday, August 11, 2011. It has not yet been determined whether the pool will remain open after school starts. Head Lifeguard Kristen DeWitt teaches school and other lifeguards have classes.

New Police Vehicle

Denver made a motion to purchase a new 2012 Dodge Charger Police Vehicle through a state bid with the cost not to exceed \$23,500.00. Crose seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Howard aye, Smith aye, Rambadt aye, Crose aye, Stidham aye, Denver aye. All ayes, motion passed. This vehicle will replace the 1999 Ford Crown Victoria.

Resolution for Beautification of the 59 & 72 Intersection

Attorney Smith read a resolution titled "**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF GRAVETTE TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID ENHANCEMENT FUNDS**". Howard made a motion to approve the resolution, Stidham seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion passed.

Paving of Limekiln Road

The county will pave Limekiln Road as soon as scheduling will allow. The city will pay for the asphalt and the county will do the paving.

Comments from the Mayor

Mayor Warren told the council that the manufactured housing ordinance needed to be reviewed.

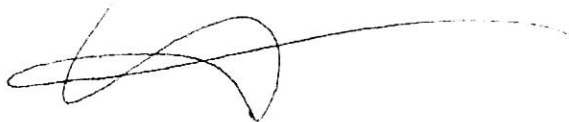
Mayor Warren questioned whether or not a sign size limitation existed for signs mounted to a buildings front façade.

The city has heard nothing from ADEQ concerning the Consent for Administrative Order.

Sewer Extension to Hendren Plastics

Engineering is being done for the sewer extension to Hendren Plastics as phase one of the project. If a lift station is placed at the old sale barn on Highway 72, sewage would gravity flow from the east city limit. The sewage would then be pumped to the school sewer system.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rambadt and seconded by Smith. A vote was taken, all ayes, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.



Michael von Ree
City Recorder/Treasurer