HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

July 8, 2024

The regular meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Haskell City Hall on Monday July 8, 2024.

Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance; prayer was given by Jeff Harrison

ROLL CALL: Council Members present were, Dallas Wright, Jeff Harrison, Adam Ricketts, Micheal Baker, and Brad Cotten.

Members not present: Rodney Lyman (Resigned), and Greg Rogers

Mayor Crookham declared a quorum present. (5/8, Including the Mayor)

Others in attendance: Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr., Clerk/Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill, Public Works Director Nancy Duren, Code Enforcement Officer Joe Thomas, City Attorney Ashley Clancy, Lt. Eddie Tackett, and Fire Chief Brian Cotton.

Public in attendance: Katy Hill, Jerry and Emaline Stroud, Dana and Jamie Poindexter, Steve Dannaway, Bob Ward, Kaylee Breckling, Zeke Jones, Mike Krebs and Mr. Hicks.

Council member Brad Cotten made a motion to move up New Business #1 agenda item with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. The motion passed with 6 yays (Including Mayor's yay vote) and 3 nays.

1. **New Business item #2. Ward 3 vacant council seat.**

- Residents Mike Krebs, Bob Ward and Dana Poindexter applied for the vacant council seat in Ward 3 (Jacob Warner's vacant seat).
- Mayor Crookham announced that he is appointing Mike Krebs and asked for a motion to approve his nomination.
- All three candidates spoke on their behalf.
- Micheal Baker made the motion to approve the Mayors appointment of Mike Krebs with Adam Ricketts seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion FAILED to pass with 4 yay votes and 4 nay votes.
- Micheal Baker made a motion to table this item until next meeting with Brad Cotten seconding the motion. The motion passed with 6 yays and 3 nays.

Brad Cotten made the motion to accept the June 10, 2024 council meeting minutes. Micheal Baker seconded motion. The Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

1. **WATER/SEWER/STREETS**
   - The report was given by Public Works Director Nancy Duren, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
2. **FIRE & RESCUE**
   - The report was given by Fire Chief Brian Cotten, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
3. **POLICE**
   - The report was given by Lt. Eddie Tackett, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
4. **CODE ENFORCEMENT**
   - The report was given by Code Enforcement Officer Joe Thomas, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
5. **PLANNING COMMISSION**
   - The report was given by Planning Commission member Jerry Stroud, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Ordinance 09-2024. An Ordinance amending Ord 11-2023 to add a Road Cut Permit and Fee.**
   - The first reading of Ordinance 09-2024 was read on June 10, 2024.
   - Adam Ricketts made the motion to have the second reading heading only with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yays (Including Mayor) and 3 nays.
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Ordinance 09-2024.
2. **Resolution 11-2024. A Resolution amending the 2024 General budget to allow for the increase of $11,800.00 for a website by DNT Media.**
   - Steve Dannaway with DNT Media was present for any questions.
   - Mayor Crookham read the heading of Resolution 11-2024
   - Dallas Wright made the motion to approve Resolution 11-2024 with Adam Ricketts seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yays (Including Mayor) and 3 nays.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Monthly Income and Expense Statements for June 2024**
   - The monthly income and expense statements for June 2024were presented to the Council for approval.
   - Brad Cotton made the motion to approve the Income and Expense Statements for June 2024 with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yays (Including Mayor) and 3 nays.

2. **Ward 3 Vacant Council Seat.**
   - Moved up in agenda
3. **Resolution 12-2024. A Resolution amending the 2024 Parks budget to allow for the increase to line item Parks Improvements and to accept the bid from Philips Services for the lighting repair.**
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Resolution 12-2024
   - Brad Cotten made the motion to approve Resolution 12-2024 with Adam Ricketts seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yays (Including Mayor) and 3 nays.
4. **2023 Water/Sewer Audit**
   - Zeke Jones with Yoakum and Lovell CPAs presented the 2023 Water/Sewer audit with no findings.
   - Dallas Wright made the motion to approve the 2023 Water/Sewer audit report with Jeff Harrison seconding the motion. The motion passed with 6 yays (Including Mayor) and 3 nays.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. **Mayor Crookham appointed the following commissions**
   - **Budget Committee (Greg Rogers, Adam Ricketts, Ward 3 Vacant Seat)**
   - **Planning Focus Committee (Dallas Wright, Brad Cotten, Jeff Harrison)**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- **No public comments**

There being no further comments or questions, Micheal Baker made the motion to adjourn. Brad Cotten seconded motion. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously by yea vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Hill, Recorder/Treasurer

CITY OF HASKELL City Clerk SALINE CO., ARKANSAS

Clyde Crookham Jr., Mayor

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