City of Eudora

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Eudora, Chicot County, Arkansas 71640

STEPHEN TISDALE, MAYOR **BOARD OF ALDERMAN**

JOSEPH MAZZANTI, ATTORNEY HOWARD BROWN DEBORAH SCOTT

JUANITA BURTON, CLERK TRAVI S COLLINS CHARLENE TAYLOR

FRANK FARRIS ROBERT THOMAS, JR.

BEULAH MAIDEN MARCO TONEY

MINUTES OF THE EUDORA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 8, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stephen Tisdale at 6:00 p.m. There were 6 aldermen present at roll call with Alderman Robert Thomas Jr arriving shortly thereafter. Alderman Marco Toney absent.

Alderman Travis Collins moved and Alderman Howard Brown seconded that the Minutes of City Council Regular Meeting August 12, 2015 be approved. Motion Carried.

Financial/Treasurer’s Report, Clark Terrell, CPA- Mr. Terrell read prepared statement that all payroll taxes due and payable during the month of August 2015 have been paid. With the exception of the payroll taxes owed for 2010 and 2011, there are no unpaid payroll taxes for any period. The August 2015 installment payment of $9,100 for the payroll taxes owed to IRS for 2010 and 2011 was paid on time.

City Attorney Mazzanti - Atty Mazzanti suggested City Sales Tax Enactment not be done.

Alderman Frank Farris moved, Alderman Deborah Scott seconded that Ronald Drew bid to board up GC Johns building be accepted. Motion carried.

Department Reports

*Police Department*

Chief of Police, William El-Amin requested permission to submit Rural Services Grant Application to purchase car and repair two other cars in the amount of $57,891.83. Alderman Travis Collins moved, Alderman Frank Farris seconded that Rural Services Grant Application be submitted. Motion carried.

Chief El-Amin reported the Eudora Police Dept. have received Applications for positions within the Police Department from Eudora resident. Those applications will be considered first when selecting individuals to fill vacant positions.

Chief El-Amin reported he is working with County Judge and County Sheriff to have 911 Dispatcher for Eudora. Mayor Tisdale reported that Eudora, if chosen, will have access to a building for Police Department and have a place to house ambulance and sleeping quarters for staff.

*Water-Sewer-Street*

Mayor Tisdale reported in his absence, Chief Robert Bunn had asked that Mayor request approval from City Council to hire Willie Washington two days per week to work for Water Department. Discussion tabled. Request failed for lack of motion.

Code Enforcer

Two issues discussed related to Code Enforcer:

1. Daycare wishing to open need to know if Brown Bear’s property on Hwy 65 is zoned for Commercial or Zoned for Residential. Information is needed to complete requirements on what type of daycare that will be opened and to meet licensing requirements. Mayor stated that it will be looked into for clarity purposes. Daycare owners prefer Commercial Zoning.
2. Vic’s Detailing & Landscaping bid to clean up John’s Elementary and Baseball: Alderman Beulah Maiden moved, Alderman Deborah Scott seconded that Vic’s Detailing & Landscaping bid for the sum of $800 to Round UP, cut weeds along building‘s fences, poles, and walkways on John’s Elementary Campus and Baseball. Motion carried.

Old Business-

1. Animal Control Officer Job Description
2. Code Enforcer Job Description

Alderman Travis Collins will write job description for Animal Control Officer and Zoning(Code Enforcer.

New Business-

1. City Tax Resolution –Alderman Frank Farris moved, Aldermen Robert Thomas/2015 to be Charlene Taylor seconded that Resolution of the City of Eudora, State of Arkansas, levying the City of Eudora, Arkansas taxes for 2015 to be paid in 2016 be adopted. Motion passed.
2. Police Dept. Resolution-no action taken.
3. Replace City Building Locks-No action taken on replacing locks. After much discussion Alderman Travis Collins moved, Alderman Charlene Taylor seconded that in lieu of rent Youth Advancing At Risk Afterschool Program furnish appliances and clean up Community Room and the City be responsible for air conditioning. Motion Carried.
4. Shay’s Helping Hands Daycare (Zoning Grievance)-See Code Enforcer under Department Reports
5. Water Pipe Replacement-Alderman Travis Collins move, Alderman Harold Brown seconded that Bid for additional pipe replacement at Water Plant be accepted. Motion carried.
6. Police Car-See Mayor’s Update
7. Community Room Air Condition Repair-See Mayor’s Update

Mayor’s Update:

Mayor’s request for Waiver on insurance enrollment approved.

Other items of discussion centered on Expenditures:

1. Alderman Travis Collins moved, Aldermen Beulah Maiden/Frank Farris seconded that tranquilizer equipment plus medication for Animal Control Officer be purchased. Motion carried.
2. Alderman Frank Farris moved, Alderman Deborah Scott seconded that the following Expenditures authorized thru polling of the Council members be approved.
   1. $4500 Purchase of used Police Car from State Surplus
   2. Repair of Air Condition in Community Room and Chamber Building

Motion carried.

Burn Ban is still on.

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Travis Collins, seconded by Alderman Beulah Maiden. Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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Stephen Tisdale, Mayor Juanita Burton, Clerk