

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, February 6, 2017

Members Present:

Mayor John Weaver
Jim Looney
Tony Fountain
John Foust
Anne Sneve
Dr. Sonny Proctor

Staff:

Lisa Hoyle
Steve Roper
Greg Lovell
Sonny Underwood
Lonnie Waters

Guests in Attendance:

Mary Livsey
Lonnie Adams
William Bell
Donnie R. Low
John Sneve
Amelia McEntyre

Members Absent:

None

Legal Counsel:

None

Press:

Angela Reinhardt

Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order promptly at 6:00 p.m. He requested John Foust give the invocation. Councilmember Sonny Proctor led in the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Weaver asked that the agenda be reviewed and approved by Council. Councilmember Anne Sneve made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Jim Looney seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Lisa Hoyle read the minutes of the January 9, 2017 regular meeting. Councilmember Sonny Proctor made a motion to adopt the minutes as read. Councilmember Anne Sneve seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no Old Business to discuss.

Item A under New Business, Mayor Weaver recognized Ms. Amelia McEntyre with the Pickens Arts and Cultural Alliance. Ms. McEntyre stated that the Alliance was interested in using the City's back building located at 36 E. Spring Street for the purpose of an art gallery and office space for the organization. She stated that the organization would work with the Historical Society in making renovations to the building and yard area. Mayor Weaver entertained a motion to allow the City to seek an agreement with the Pickens Arts and Cultural Alliance to allow them to use this building. Councilmember Jim Looney made such motion. Councilmember Anne Sneve seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Item B under New Business, Mayor Weaver recognized Water & Sewer Superintendant David Hall to present to Council the need for variable frequency drives to reduce the discharge pressure when pumping finished water into the distribution system from the water treatment plant. Mr. Hall stated that this would be phase one of two to improve the distribution system, the second being the laying of additional lines. Mr. Hall provided Council with two quotes on the drives, the lowest being from Caldwell Electrical Contractors at \$26,716. Mayor Weaver entertained a motion to approve the purchase of the drives from Caldwell Electrical Contractors. Councilmember Jim Looney made such motion. Councilmember John Foust seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Hall stated that the City had to repair a pump due to a line breakage by the telecommunications company that had been laying lines along the railroad. He stated that the cost of the repairs totaled \$5,370. Councilmember Jim Looney made a motion to approve the repairs. Councilmember Anne Sneve seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Item C under New Business, Lisa Hoyle presented to Council two applications for reduced water/sewer rates for approval. Ms. Hoyle stated that the persons met the requirements for reduced rates. Following review by Council, Councilmember Tony Fountain made a motion to approve the applications and Councilmember Anne Sneve seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Item D under New Business, Mayor Weaver recognized Lonnie Waters to present to Council road and street paving projects planned for 2017. Mayor Weaver entertained a motion. Councilmember John Foust made a motion to approve the road and street projects. Councilmember Tony Fountain seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item E under New Business, Mayor Weaver recognized David Buchanan to present to Council the cost to repair the City's bulldozer. Mr. Buchanan stated that the City had to make emergency repairs on the dozer in the amount of \$5,000. Mayor Weaver entertained a motion to approve the emergency repairs. Councilmember Jim Looney made such motion. Councilmember Anne Sneve seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Item F under New Business, Mr. Buchanan presented to Council the planned purchase of additional trees and planters along Main Street. He stated that the cost of the additional 29 trees would be \$4,900 and the cost of the 16 planters would be \$1,200. Councilmember Jim Looney made a motion to approve up to \$6,500 to purchase trees, planters and plants. Councilmember Sonny Proctor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Economic Developer Gerry Nechvatal gave a report to the City.

Finance Director Lisa Hoyle gave the financial report for the month of January, 2017.


Lonnie Waters gave the animal control report for the month of January, 2017.

Chief Greg Lovell gave a report of police activities for the month of January, 2017

Assistant Chief Von Headrick gave a report of fire activities for the month of January, 2017.

Councilmember John Foust gave an update on JYSA activities.

Being no other business to come before Council, Councilmember Jim Looney made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council is scheduled to convene next at the regular council meeting to be held March 6, 2017.



John W. Weaver
Mayor



Lisa J. Hoyle
City Clerk/Finance Director