Minutes of the Little Flock City Council Meeting

Monday November 15, 2021

Date and Time: 11/15/2021 at 6:00 pm

Participants: Jeff Van Sickler, Robert Phillips, Wes Waddell, Jim Milholen, Gillie Brandolini, Chris

Cantwell, Debb Formanek, Maureen Brandolini

Optional: George Rhoads, Shawn Hollis, Moose Dunavan

Discussion:

Call Meeting to order at 6:00 pm

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Jeff Van Sickler
- 2. Invocation, Council Member Rob Phillips
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Roll Call:

Council Member Robert Phillips – Present Council Member Wes Waddell - Present Council Member Jim Milholen – Absent Council Member Gillie Brandolini – Present Council Member Chris Cantwell - Present Council Member Debb Formanek – Present

5. Public Comments

None

6. Action on Minutes

Council Member Chris Cantwell made a motion to approve October 18, 2021, Minutes.

Council Member Debb Formanek seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously

7. Treasurer's Report as of October 31, 2021

General Fund - \$ 2,223,016.50 Street Fund - \$ 586,586.37

Council Member Debb Formanek made a motion to approve Treasurer's Report Council Member Wes Waddell seconded the motion

Motion passed unanimously

8. Unfinished Business

 The appointment of Richard Crow to the Planning Commission was confirmed by City Council.

Motion to approve appointment made by Council Member Rob Phillips. Council Member Debb Formanek seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously

9. New Business

 Resolution 2021-015- Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Enter into Inter-Agency Service Agreement with Benton County Convenience Center.

All Council Members took part in discussing the pros and cons of participating in the agreement with Benton County Regional Solid Waste Management District. The mayor spoke of the legal issues behind the request for additional funds. It was stated these funds were necessary to keep the Rogers Satellite and Siloam Springs Satellite collection centers open. The main location in Centerton is not affected by this request for funds. The City of Little Flock took part in providing additional funds per a similar request made in 2020 for the year of 2021. It was to have been a one-time contribution, however circumstances have changed and there is not an estimate of an end date.

The mayor asked if there was a motion regarding Resolution 2021-015. There was no motion.

ARPA Fund uses

The Resolution fails.

The plans for ARPA money have been placed on hold at this time. Information received today resulted in the need to revisit some plans that were previously made. There is new legislation that may ease the restrictions we are currently operating under as to the use of these funds.

So far we have only used these funds to pay for hand sanitizer and to install electric hand dryers for improved hygiene in the park bathrooms.

10. Announcements

 The new Police Chief Shawn Hollis was announced and applauded by the Council Members and audience.

11. Pay Bills Over \$10,000.00

None

12. Forming a budget sub-committee was introduced by Council Member Debb Formanek. Council Member Rob Phillips stated that there had been several sub-committees in the past, including a budget sub-committee. It was stated that Bob Stout had taken over all aspects of budgeting and finance during his tenure as mayor and the budget sub-committee was not active. It was also during this time frame other sub-committees were not utilized as they had been in the past. It was observed that it would be beneficial to reinstate the committee approach to the budget as it will streamline future work sessions and meetings. All present agreed it would allow for open communication and exchange of ideas. Council Member Rob Phillips and Council Member Chris Cantwell are unable to be on the committee due to time constraints. It was determined that Council Member Wes Waddell, Council Member Debb Formanek, and Council Member Gillie Brandolini, will work with Mayor Van Sickler on the budget sub-committee.

City Attorney George Rhoads reminded the Council that any meetings are to be open to the public. He also stated that the meeting would require a minimum of a two-hour notice to the public.

13. Adjourn

Council Member Debb Formanek made a motion to adjourn.
Council Member Rob Phillips seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved by:

Maureén J. Brandolini Recorder/Treasurer Jeff Van Sickler
Mayor