

1 | The City of Hope Council Meeting January 3rd, 2017

Mayor Ryff called the January 3rd, 2017 regular council meeting to order at 7:00pm and led the council in the pledge of alliance. Mayor Larry Ryff asks for roll call, it showed the following present: Jared Morgan, Carol Lauxman, Gordon Hunnicutt, David Wendt, and David VanHook.

Carol Lauxman made a motion to dispense with reading the previous meeting minutes and special meeting minutes and approve the way they were written. Gordon Hunnicutt seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Appropriation Ordinance: The Council reviewed the Ordinance #1066 Gordon Hunnicutt asked about the bill from Dirt Cheap Auto and I explained that it was parts that had been replaced on the copy machine. Jared Morgan moved to approve the Appropriation Ordinance #1066 and David Wendt seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Financial Statement: Heather explained that after she had talked with Jared and me she added amounts to the Special Street Fund and the Depreciation Reserve fund to show what had been allocated to those funds when we did the budget. So she also added to the expenses in the general fund so it looked like she wrote a pretend check to put the funds in the appropriate categories. Heather went on to explain that she also had prepared an annual financial statement and had done the same on them as well. She said that way we can track the funds better throughout the year. Jared Morgan said it looked good and motioned to approve the financial statement Carol Lauxman seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Police Report: Mayor Ryff said since there were no officers or report available we would move on.

New Business: Cereal Malt Beverage License for The Endzone. Carol Lauxman made a motion to approve the CMB License for The Endzone, Gordon Hunnicutt seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Old Business: Mayor Ryff explained that there was no old business.

Standing and Special Meeting Reports: None

Mayor Ryff said that he would like to update the folks that were not at the Special Meeting. He continued and said that Chelsea Morris with USDA Rural Development came and discussed the different criteria that would be necessary to proceed with the RD loan. He went on to say the reason for the Special Meeting was to be able to lock in the 1.875 interest rate before December 31st. Otherwise the loan rate would be at least a percentage high after the first of the

year. So the Council went ahead and approved two resolutions to get the financing lined up in case we get the CDBG grant.

Maintenance Report: Billy explained that Larry and he had taken the new tractor to the pump house to test how it would handle running the generator in order to operate the pumps in case that need would arise. He said the tractor was able to run both pumps and that they gradually increase the rpm's to 2800 so that the lights stopped flickering. Gordon asked Billy if there was anything that he needed. Billy explained that there were a few items that he had mentioned to the Mayor Ryff and that the Mayor said that they would purchase them after the first of the year. Mayor Ryff said that he just wanted to make the Council aware of the items that Billy needs and keep them up to date.

Clerks Report: I talked to the KDHE to find out what the requirements are for Billy to be certified. They told me that he would have to have at least 6 months of experience with the water system and waste water system as well as a high school diploma or a GED before he would be eligible to be certified. They also recommended that he look at their web site for training opportunities. I set up a conference call with the owners at 106 East 3rd Avenue to discuss ways for them to get their property in compliance with the current Nuisance Ordinance. They seemed receptive to make their property comply. I also prepared the CMB License for The Endzone. I spoke with Officer Garcia about the ticket that had an expired court date and re-issued the citation. Sequoyah help set up an account for the tractor payment so it could be track better.

Mayors Discussion: Mayor Ryff explained he had spoke with Brian Shippy and asked him to come down and visit with Billy. He wants Brian to make sure that the water test is being done correctly. Also we had got a questionnaire from the KDHE that needs to be filled out and sent back and Brian said that he would take care of it.

Jared Morgan made a motion to go into executive session at 7:42pm Gordon Hunnicutt seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

Carol Lauxman made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:40pm and Gordon Hunnicutt seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Jared Morgan moved that we adjourn and Gordon Hunnicutt seconded the motion and the motion carried 5-0.

_____ Larry Ryff, Mayor

Attest:

_____ Joni Rikard, Clerk