

# City of Harrison

## Council Meeting

June 28, 2018 – 6:00 pm

### **Public Hearing:**

There was a Public Hearing concerning a Grant application for Minnie Harris Park Improvements. Tiffany Watkins, with Rotary Club of Harrison, spoke about their desire to build a Barrier Free playground at Minnie Harris Park for the City. Rick Shoenberger, with HHBA Downtown Association advised that his organization was in full support of the project. A citizen in the audience spoke requesting that the City consider a Lap Pool. Public Works Director Phillips advised that the purpose of this Public Hearing was to get feedback from the public to determine the desires of the City. Another Citizen spoke up and stated that they would like to see a Splash Pad added to the project. Watkins went on to explain the grant process and how the project would be funded. After discussion the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Sherrell then called the Council Meeting to order.  
Reverend Heath Kirkpatrick opened the meeting in prayer.  
Mayor Sherrell led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Chris Head: **P**; Mary Jean Creager: **P**; Mitch Magness: **P**; John Eoff: **P**  
Ryan Oswalt: **P**; Heath Kirkpatrick: **P**; Joel Williams: **P**; Dena Taylor: **P**

### **Approval of previous minutes:**

The minutes from the May 24, 2018 Council meeting were presented to the Council for their approval. Council Member Creager moved to approve the minutes as presented. Council Member Taylor seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

### **Department Reports:**

Police:

Chief Woodruff advised that they still had 2 officers out due to injuries.

Fire:

Chief Holt advised that they were in the process of hiring 2 fire fighters and also announced that Linda Dewald would be retiring from the department.

Finance:

Finance Director Feighert presented the Council with May's Financials and answered questions from the Council.

### **IT Department:**

IT Director Wilson advised that the City had transferred over to Google Government and the transition was fairly smooth and advised the Council to contact him if they had any issues getting logged in. Wilson went on to advise that the City had migrated over to the new servers and everything was running smoothly.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Finance:**

Council Member Magness presented the Council with a couple of items from the previous committee meeting for the entire Council to consider.

As discussed in Committee Magness moved to approve the purchase of a 30KW Generator for Fire Station #2 from Mike Smith Electric at a cost of \$13,915. Council Member Creager seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

The as discussed in Committee Magness moved to waive the City's normal bidding process and approve a purchase of a Flygt Pump from Jack Tyler, Inc. at a cost of \$31,045. This is a special pump for the sewer department that the City has experience with and wished to stay with, thus making a bidding process impracticable. Council Member Kirkpatrick seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

### **Public Safety:**

As discussed in committee, Council Member Creager moved to approve the revised Police Policy Manual as presented to Council. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

### **Public Works:**

As discussed in committee Public Works Director Phillips reported on the manufacture suggested testing of the Storm Sirens happen at least twice monthly. A Citizen had requested that the City consider reducing the frequency of the testing. After discussion Council Member Oswalt moved to leave the testing schedule as it currently is. Council Member Taylor seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

### **Resources and Policy:**

Mayor Sherrell presented the Council with a proposed resolution as discussed titled:

“A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to apply for  
Grant Assistance for Improvements at Minnie Harris Park”

Council Member Magness moved to approve the resolution. Council Member Taylor seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried

Mayor Sherrell presented the Council with a proposed resolution as discussed in committee titled:

“RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF  
ARKANSAS FIRE AND POLICE BOARD RULE #4”

There was a Resolution for both the Police and the Fire Pension boards that both stated the same thing. Council Member Williams moved to approve both resolutions with a single vote. Council Member Creager seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Sherrell presented a proposed ordinance as voted on at the previous Council Meeting, for Ernie McElroy titled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14.16 (ZONING MAP) OF THE HARRISON  
MUNICIPAL CODE TO REZONE CERTAIN LANDS FROM ZONE R-2 (RESIDENTIAL)  
TO C-3 (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL); AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Council Member Magness moved to place this ordinance on it's third reading, by title only. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Council Member Magness then moved to adopt the ordinance. Council Member Creager seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried

Mayor Sherrell then presented the Council with a Re-Zoning request by the Tabor family on Hester Drive titled:

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LANDS FROM ZONE R-2 (RESIDENTIAL) TO C-3 (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL);  
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

After discussion, Council Member Williams moved to place the ordinance on its first reading, by title only. Council Member Kirkpatrick seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Council Member Taylor then moved to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second and third readings, by title only. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Council Member Magness then moved to adopt the ordinance. Council Member Williams seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried. Council Member Williams then moved to enact the emergency clause. Council Member Taylor seconded the motion. The vote was all ayes, motion carried.

**New Business:**

Under Lighting on Lake Harrison Bridge:

The Mayor advised that the Highway Department had released information that the bridge would undergo major renovations and that the lighting project would have to be put on hold until the renovations were completed. Rick Shoenberger asked the City to consider putting some temporary lighting under the bridge for safety until the bridge could be renovated.

**Mayor's Comments:**

Spring Clean Up:

Inland gave a bried report on the Spring Clean up and advised that they had picked up on average 187,000 lbs.

Renew our Future:

Mayor Sherrell announced to the public that "Renew Our Future" had conducted 3 town hall meetings and had one left, to be held at the Lutheran Church in their new location. The Mayor also advised that the presentation would also be given at the July 26<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. The Mayor also encouraged the citizens to call his office if they had any questions about the tax and the upcoming election, and encouraged everyone to get out and support it.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Daniel D. Sherrell, Mayor

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Jeff Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer