

Meeting of the February 21, 2023

Members present: Jim King, Steven Craig, Joe Maxwell, Mike Matos and LaCosta Beene and James Firestone, all members present.

Meeting Prayer: Lead by Jim King

Pledge of Allegiance by all.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Preston Scroggin.

Established of quorum.

Approval January 17, 2023 Minutes: Motion of approval made by Councilman Jim King, seconded by Mike Matos, a correction was needed to be made on the minutes this will be corrected. Motion passed.

Approval of January 2023 Financial Statements: Motion of approval by Councilman Joe Maxwell, seconded by Mike Matos, no discussion, motion passed.

Announcements:

Chamber of Commerce-Banquet scheduled for March 4, 2023 at Friendship Baptist Church and Chocolate Festival will be held on June 6, 2023 at the Vilonia Nazarene Church. It is \$5 for the event. The Chamber will meet monthly at Simple Simons beginning April 20, 2023 at 11:30. The chamber website is partial up and running more content is being added.

LaCosta Beene presented cards and cookies to the Parks and Rec. Department for their work in our community.

Reports of Boards and Committees:

Emergency Management, planning commission, Fire Department: Kevin Wooley provided a report to all council members for the current year to date fire runs was 153. The new ladder truck has arrived and is being outfitted. This purchase will help lower our ISO rating for home rates to a 2. A monthly CPR class is being held and the class total is up to 15 people and the cost is \$5 per person this covers the cost of the card.

There will be a planning commission meeting for a new upcoming sub-division.

Police Department: Chief McNew reported that the city email is having issues and will need 3 new switches to correct the issue. The price to purchase and install is \$7,077.73. Steven Craig made the motion to approve and Jim King seconded the motion, there was no discussion, motion passed.

Parks and Recreation: Work has been completed on new parking lot across the street from the soccer fields. The fishing pond is getting full and has been contracted to be stocked by the Arkansas Game and Fish. The Arkansas Game and Fish came out to inspect everything at the pond and said "This was the best in the state." They will also stock trout in the late fall.

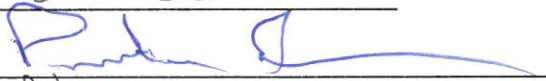
Sewer Department: Joe Maxwell gave the sewer report and informed the council that the UV pit has been poured and ready for equipment. The finish date for the sewer expansion is planned on being completed within a month.

Parks and Rec.: The mayor informed the council that registration was up to over 300 kids in the program this year.

Resolution 2023-1 Amending the budget for year end of 2022 was read and a motion was made by Joe Maxwell to approve and seconded by LaCosta Beene, no discussion, motion passed by all.

The meeting to adjourn was made by Joe Maxwell and seconded by Jim King. The meeting was adjourned.

Date: 3/21/2023

Mayor: 

Recorder: 