

City of Madison

Minutes of Regular Meeting

July 1st, 2019

Call to Order: Mayor Paul Dean called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present: Nick Cherry, Daryl May, Samantha Watts and Earl Murphy.

City Employees Present: City Clerk, Victoria Stewart and Deputy Clerk, Kimberly Hinrichs.

Public: Tammy Seimears with the Madison News, Bob Kimberlin, Jody Thomas and John Morrison.

Approval of Agenda: Nick made the first motion. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Pledge of Allegiance: Bob Kimberlin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes for June 17th, 2019: Samantha made the first motion. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Accounts Payable: Nick made the first motion. Samantha seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Water Adjustments: Daryl made the first motion. Nick seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Open Forum: Jim Morrison approached the board regarding the \$100.00 connection fee that is issued to all new residents. He asked what the purpose was and if he could have his connection fee split into two payments. The Council explained that the fee is to offset a portion of delinquent bills that get left to the City. They also agreed to connect John's water and allow him to make two payments.

Jody Thomas asked the Council whose responsibility it is to care of the alley on 2nd street between Sherman and Lincoln as it is in need of rock due to potholes and ruts. Paul Dean said that the City could take care of it. Nick Cherry mentioned that the alley by the Red Brick is also in need of gravel. Earl Murphy stated that there are also roads by the City Lake that need to be fixed. Paul Dean proposed to buy six loads of gravel from Coffey County Road and Bridge to gravel both alleys, the lake roads, the parking lots at the ballfields on the hill and the crest of the hill. Nick made the first motion of approval. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Jody Thomas also informed the board that there are trees overgrown at Lincoln and 2nd Street which is causing issues with being able to see oncoming traffic on Lincoln. Councilmember Samantha Watts also brought up overgrowth on 2nd Street toward McKinley on the hill. The Council stated the City would take care of the issues.

Clerk and Treasurer Reports: Victoria Stewart asked on behalf of Rosemary McGuire if the City could purchase a basketball game for the City pool. This would provide additional entertainment at the pool, especially when the slide is out of order. The game was approved in the amount of \$150.00. Nick made the first motion. Samantha seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Reports from the Governing Body: Earl Murphy reported that the docks at the lake are in disrepair due to the flooding and high water and that he will have City employees repair them. Nick reported that the air conditioning in one of the City employee trucks is out and it needs to be fixed. The Council agreed to have Corey take it in for repair. They also discussed crushed sewer line that needs to be repaired, getting quotes for sewer line and road installments south of the manor and more work on the outfield of the ballfield.

Paul Dean presented rotary cutter quotes from John Deere and Ag Choice. The City's current rotary cutter is in disrepair and needs to be replaced. Ag Choice quoted a 5' machine for \$1,295.00 and a 6' for \$1,595.00. John Deere quoted a 5' cutter for \$2,528.70 and a 6' for \$3,011.33. The Council voted to purchase the 6' rotary cutter from Ag Choice for \$1,595.00. Nick made the first motion. Earl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Paul Dean discussed the downtown ballfields with the Council. He stated that the west field needs to be moved to align it with the east field, but that will cause the dugout to sit on the Verdigris Valley Foundation's property. He has spoken with Karen McIlvain to meet with the Foundation to get their approval. Portions of the material purchased for the fence also need to be exchanged for higher fence to prevent fly balls from damaging the building. Samantha made the first motion to move the field with VVF's approval and to exchange fence material. Earl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Paul Dean presented an annual contract renewal from Advantage Computer, which supports the City's municipal court software, in the amount of \$375.00 for the year. Samantha made the first motion of approval. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

The Council reviewed Demolition Permit applications from William Walcott and Billy Nowell. Both permits were approved.

The Council reviewed a list of code violations which included pictures. Samantha made a motion to issue all violations listed. Nick seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment: Samantha made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Nick seconded. Motion carried 4-0.