

City of Madison

Minutes of Regular Meeting

November 19th, 2018

Call to Order: Council President Earl Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present: Samantha Watts, Daryl May and Nick Cherry. Mayor Paul Dean was also present at 7:10 p.m.

City Employees Present: City Clerk, Victoria Stewart and City Treasurer, Michael Bartlow.

Public: Jody Thomas, Mike Cordell, Mike Miles, Taylor Ratcliff, Jeri Knobloch, and Tammy Seimears with the Madison News.

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

Pledge of Allegiance: Earl led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes from November 5th, 2018: Nick made the first motion. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Open Forum

Mike Cordell, Greenwood County Deputy, introduced the department's new K-9 officer, Mike Miles. Taylor Ratcliff arrived to the meeting to join Cordell in thanking the Council for the housing allowance provided to them by the City. They then informed the Council that Taylor will be moving in with Cordell, where he receives a police housing allowance. Mayor Paul Dean said he would like to hold public comment at the next meeting to decide on the new situation regarding the police housing allowance and to re-evaluate the program. Mike and Taylor also asked the Council if there were any issues in Madison that they could address, and if the residents were happy. Paul replied that the citizens seem very happy and appreciated everything that they do.

Jeri Knobloch approached the Council regarding an emergency plan the Foundation is working on. She asked the Council if they had any ideas or concerns. Paul responded that the City is already looking into getting portable generators for City buildings and the schools. Levi Vinson with Greenwood County Emergency Management will be joining the December 17th meeting to further discuss emergency preparedness with the Foundation and the City of Madison.

Clerk and Treasurer Reports

The Council approved a quote of \$421.00 from Carpet Cleaning Concepts by Dallas to have the carpets shampooed in City Hall. Nick made the first motion. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Michael Bartlow presented the October 2018 financial reports. He stated that funds are looking good going into the end of the year, though transfers will need to be made. There was also discussion of the bond fund, and what steps to take with the bond fund now that it is paid off.

Reports from the Governing Body

The Council opened bids from A-1 Pump and Jet Services and Mayer Specialty Services, L.L.C. for sewer cleaning and maintenance. Each bid was a three year contract proposal. The Council decided to table it until the next meeting to find out more details on certain services they provide. The Council also reviewed the price of building a fence on the west ballfield and asked for quotes from other companies. The presented quote was in the amount of \$9,735.90 from Midland Fence Company. Samantha informed the Council that several residents and members of the Rec board are accepting donations for an outfield fence, and the Rec board is willing to match the donations received. Samantha also informed the board that Tony Haag had covered the cost of ballfield materials with his own expenses, and the Council agreed that the City shall reimburse him.

Adjournment

Earl made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.