

Austin City Council Meeting
December 19, 2017

Mayor Bernie Chamberlain called the City Council to order at 7:00 PM. Rusty Eisenhower led the opened the Council meeting with prayer. Recorder Shirley Sudduth called roll. Council members attending were Phillip Whiting, Tammy Williams, Rusty Eisenhower, Laurel Carnes, and Kimberly Finley. Council member Randy Ryan was absent due to illness. Laurel Carnes made the motion to pay Randy Ryan his monthly pay as he co-signs the checks weekly. Rusty Eisenhower seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition.

November 27th, 2017 Council Minutes were approved. Rusty Eisenhower made the motion for acceptance with Laurel Carnes seconding the motion. There was no opposition.

Minutes for the December 6th, 2017 Special Council Meeting were accepted with no opposition. Tammy Williams made the motion for acceptance with Laurel Carnes seconding the motion.

November's Financial Report was accepted. Rusty Eisenhower made the motion to accept the report with Tammy Williams seconding the motion. There was no opposition.

Water/Sewer:

1. See attachment
2. Laurel Carnes made the motion to pay \$1,000 for the annual membership fee for Mid-Arkansas Water Alliance (MAWA) and to send the necessary letter for membership. Rusty Eisenhower seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition.

Police:

1. See attachment
2. There is a need to make a change on the City's Ordinance for parking.
3. Taser classes have been completed.
4. Council is requesting a plan of action for the Crime Scene Van.
5. All City police officers are certified and also radar certified.

Fire:

See attachment

Code Enforcement:

Activity: 3 structure inspections, 15 storm-water inspections, 1 burn-out (demo-phase), 5 notices issued, 5 compliances, and 9 illegal signs removal.

New Business:

1. Rusty Eisenhower made the motion to defer raises until the January meeting. Laurel Carnes 2nd the motion. The motion passed without opposition.

2. Rusty Eisenhower made the motion to amend the 2017 budget. Laurel Carnes seconded. The motion passed with no opposition.
3. Laurel Carnes made the motion for Ordinance #5-2017 (Budget Adoption) to be read. Rusty Eisenhower seconded the motion. Recorder Shirley Sudduth read the Budget Adoption. Ordinance No 5-2017: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AND ADOPTING FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018. APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR EACH AND EVERY ITEM OF EXPENDITURE THEREIN PROVIDED FOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO EXIST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. Laurel Carnes made the motion to adopt the Ordinance with Rusty Eisenhower seconding the motion. The motion passed with no opposition.

Rusty Eisenhower made the motion to adjourn. Laurel Carnes seconded the motion. The Council Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM.

Shirley Sudduth, Recorder