Council Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, November 18, 2019 at 3340 Robin Road, with the following present: Mayor Tony Williams and Councilors Brittney Gorter, Andrew Klump, Madeline Bozeman and Austin Schwenker. Also present were Assistant Chief of Police Teddy Laun, City Attorney Keith Larson and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

Call to Order

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Opening Public Comments

Mayor Williams opened the floor for opening public comments and hearing none he moved on.

Financial Report

The Mayor presented the cash flow report and budget to actual report for the month. Madeline Bozeman asked about the "proceeds of community activities" if the number is updated with the Auktoberfest results. The Mayor answered waiting on some payments from vendors. Mayor Williams updated the council on the insurance business taxes, property taxes and franchise fees. Brittney Gorter made a motion to approve the financial reports. Austin Schwenker seconded, and the motion passed. (Brittney Gorter, Austin Schwenker, Madeline Bozeman and Andrew Klump in favor) (Jennifer Kleier and Stephanie George absent)

Police Report

Mayor Williams gave the floor to the Assistant Chief of Police, Teddy Laun. The Assistant Chief presented 2 candidates for confirmation. The candidates were Bruce Boyd and Sean Pate. She gave a brief synopsis on both and the Mayor asked for a motion to confirm the candidates for the position of police officer. Madeline Bozeman made a motion to confirm the two candidates. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. (Madeline Bozeman, Brittney Gorter, Austin Schwenker and Andrew Klump in favor) (Jennifer Kleier and Stephanie George absent). The Mayor executed the oath of office to the two confirmed candidates. The Assistant Chief gave an update on the police department and code enforcement. There were discussions about "Ring" and the how it helps the police close some cases.

Forest Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for questions. The Mayor gave an update on the planting of trees along Cardinal. He also stated the Forest Board's updated webpage is nearly complete.

Parks and Recreation Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for questions. The board decided that there will be a Christmas decorations contest for the residents. They also discussed that the board needs more members.

Unfinished Business

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the September 16, 2019. The city attorney, Keith Larson and Austin Schwenker offered some corrections. Madeline Bozeman made a motion to approve the September 16th minutes with the corrections. Andrew Klump seconded, and the motion passed. (Madeline Bozeman, Andrew Klump, Brittney Gorter and Austin Schwenker in favor) (Jennifer Kleier and Stephanie George absent). Mayor Williams offered the October 21st minutes for approval. Andrew Klump made a motion to approve the minutes. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the motion passed (Andrew Klump and Brittney Gorter in favor) (Madeline Bozeman and Austin Schwenker abstained).

New Business

Mayor Williams presented a resolution approving a municipal lease agreement to lease a vehicle for the police department. Madeline Bozeman made a motion to approve the resolution. Andrew Klump seconded, and the floor was opened for discussion. There were discussions about the terms of the lease and how to execute it. The City Clerk read the resolution. The Mayor asked for a vote by roll call. (Andrew Klump, Madeline Bozeman, Brittney Gorter, Austin Schwenker in favor) Austin Schwenker questioned some of the wording in the resolution but agreed to be in favor. (Jennifer Kleier and Stephanie George absent)

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the memorandum and a summary of the Amended Forest Code Ordinance 8 Series 2019 for mailing to the residents of Audubon Park to meet the requirements of KRS 83A.101(12). Madeline Bozeman made a motion to approve the memorandum and the summary. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the floor was opened for discussion. There were discussions about the verbiage and about the requirement for publication. The motion passed with all in favor (Andrew Klump, Brittney Gorter, Austin Schwenker and Madeline Bozeman in favor) (Jennifer Kleier and Stephanie George absent).

The Mayor started a conversation regarding streetlights. LG&E recently replaced a streetlight that had been damaged by a car with a LED streetlight. The discussions were about how different the lighting of LED as compared to the current streetlight poles. The Mayor inquired about replacements and decided it was too costly at this point in time.

Mayor Williams proposed the idea of no parking on one side of the street on all side streets. He wants to start a list of priorities for the city for the up coming year. The conversations included sidewalks, roads and salaries. There were discussions on whether there will be a Christmas celebration this year and a proposed date. The Mayor gave an update on the upcoming city audit in January and the recodification of the ordinances.

Mayor Williams evoked MSD to clean out the catch basin on Wren Road.

Closing Public Comments

Pete Becker, 3105 Chickadee – Mr. Becker wanted to know why the garden club did not take care of the Christmas party. He also suggested an expense account for the Mayor instead of a salary.

Brittney Gorter made a motion to adjourn. Madeline Bozeman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM

The next scheduled meeting is December 16, 2019 at 7:00.

Attested

Approved