Council Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, May 20, 2019 at 3340 Robin Road, with the following present: Mayor Tony Williams and Councilors Brittney Gorter, Madeline Bozeman, Austin Schwenker, Stephanie George, Andrew Klump and Jennifer Kleier. Also present were Chief of Police Mike Minniear, City Attorney Keith Larson and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

Call to Order

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Opening Public Comments

Mayor Williams opened the floor for opening comments, hearing none, he moved on to the financial report.

Financial Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for discussion. There were questions about the roll-over amount. Mayor Williams gave the councilors a method to figure the best guess for carry over. There were questions about the amount made or loss at the Dogwood Festival and total cost of the entrance lighting and gardening around the entrance. There were conversations about the garbage cans in the parks. Andrew Klump made a motion to approve the financial report. Madeline Bozeman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Safety

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor to Chief Minniear for discussion. The Chief gave an update on the code enforcement officer's activities. He covered the police report numbers. There were questions about tracking tickets and house watches.

Forest Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for questions. Mayor Williams updated the city with the board member changes.

Parks and Recreation Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for questions. There were conversations about the 4th of July parade and fund raising for park improvements.

Unfinished Business

Mayor Williams presented the April 15, 2019 meeting minutes for approval and ask for a motion to approve. Madeline Bozeman made a motion to approve the minutes. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor presented the ordinance for amending the budget for the second reading. He explained the numbers and his logic for the numbers. There were lengthy conversations about the contingency reserve and the Parks and Recreation reserve. Andrew Klump made a motion to table the ordinance to amending the current budget. Austin Schwenker made a motion to add a new line item showing \$120K for contingency reserve roll over and another line item showing the new \$20K appropriation. Stephanie George seconded, and the motion did not pass (2 in favor, 2 abstain and 2 opposed producing a tie, with the tie, the vote is positioned for the Mayor's decision and he vetoed). Brittney Gorter made a motion to amend the beginning balance from \$113,540.77 to \$213,540.77 and to change \$20K for the contingency reserve to \$120K, ultimately changing total amount for resources and appropriations. Stephanie George seconded, and the motion passed with 3 in favor and 3 abstained (Andrew Klump, Brittney Gorter and Stephanie George in favor) (Jennifer Kleier, Madeline Bozeman and Austin Schwenker abstained). There were several other questions about the amended budget. Andrew Klump called the conversation to question. Austin Schwenker seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The Mayor asked the clerk for the second reading of the amended budget ordinance. The clerk executed the reading and the Mayor asked for a motion to approve the amended budget. Madeline Bozeman made a motion to approve. Stephanie George seconded, and the motion passed with 4 in favor and 2 abstained (Madeline Bozeman, Andrew Klump, Brittney Gorter and Stephanie George in favor) (Austin Schwenker and Jennifer Kleier abstained).

New Business

Mayor Williams presented Municipal Order number 8. The Municipal Order is to name the two candidates and to define the terms for Leah Netherland and Dale Kinney. Brittney Gorter made a motion to approve the Municipal Order. Madeline Bozeman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The Mayor executed the Oath of Office with the candidates.

Mayor Williams presented the council with 2 sealed bids for the waste management program for the city. There was one representative from Rumpke and no one present for Waste Management. The Mayor offered the floor to Chris Pierce from Rumpke to answer any question from the council or floor. Mr. Pierce talked about Rumpke 's services and answered questions.

Mayor Williams presented and ask for the first reading of the 2020 Budget Proposal. The clerk executed the first reading. Andrew Klump made a motion to approve the ordinance. Austin Schwenker seconded. There were discussions about resources in Road Funds. Andrew Klump expressed concerns about the grant for Garden Club. Mayor Williams explained the garden club members are unable to do the work and the city has to now contract the physical labor work out. There were continued conversations about sidewalks.

Mayor Williams asked for the first reading of the ordinance to set the *Ad Valorem Tax* rate. Andrew Klump sponsored the ordinance. The clerk executed the reading. The Mayor and the Councilors set the date for the second reading on May 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

The Mayor presented the ordinance for waste management and storm damage for the city's 2020 budget. Austin Schwenker sponsored the ordinance. The clerk executed the first reading of the ordinance. The Mayor and the Councilors set the date for the second reading on May 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor gave the update on park garbage cans. He gave an update on the entrance lighting. He discussed the meeting on personnel policies with the KLC representative.

Closing Public Comments

Laura Kelty, 3242 Cross Bill - Ms. Kelty wanted to know if there was a limit set on how much money should be in contingency reserve. There were discussions of different amounts. She expressed her dismay with the dollar amount granted to the garden club.

Pete Becker, 3105 Chickadee - Mr. Becker discussed the tree roots issues with reference to sidewalks.

Brittney Gorter made a motion to adjourn. Madeline Bozeman seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM.

The next scheduled meeting is May 23, 2019 at 7:00.

Attested

Approved