

RECORD OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF ARGO

Date: 03-09-2020

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: Municipal Complex

Regular Meeting

ROLL CALL

Councilperson Ann Cowan

Councilperson Corky Massey

Mayor Pro-Tem Alldredge

Councilperson Ann Brown

Mayor Betty Bradley

Mayor Bradley called the meeting to order and asked the clerk for a roll call. The clerk called the roll and the above listed persons were present.

Councilperson Brown gave the invocation.

Mayor Bradley opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Police Report: Captain Glenn Wells gave the monthly report.

Fire Report: Interim Chief Scott Payne gave the monthly report. He stated the letter drive would be coming up soon and the Fire Department was still working on getting a truck. There have been none in the state so far.

Road Report: Councilperson Massey stated Trussville Utilities has yet to fix the meters on several Argo roads. Dan Dahlke has not gotten the contract together yet.

The Council discussed Briar Ridge and the area of road that is sinking in. It has become dangerous. There was general conversation on who owns the road and if it is the bank, what steps the city can take to address the issue. This road was never brought up to specs and therefore not taken in by the city. Attorney Brunson will look into who owns the road exactly and what the city can do. Mayor Bradley stated she sent Darrell Glass to Cedar Creek to put cones around the area. Councilperson Massey stated he would get some asphalt on it to hold it over until they can get an estimate to fix it.

Food Bank Report: Jim Link was absent.

Teen Council Report: Absent.

Mayor Pro-Tem Alldredge updated the council on the storm shelter. He stated they were down to getting the gas hooked up and water. The architect should be coming out soon to inspect.

Scott Payne was getting a list of necessary items to put in the storm shelter, like chairs, tables, weather radio, etc.

The Council briefly discussed the Massage Therapy ordinance. The council was to look over the draft provided. The attorney tabled the item for future discussion at the next meeting.

Mayor Bradley stated the transmission in Darrell's truck is slipping and it would not be worth fixing due to the age and wear of the truck. Councilperson Massey suggested looking at the State bid list. Mayor Bradley stated they would look into that and report back.

City Attorney Report: Mayor Bradley asked the attorney if they had looked into Advanced Disposal Contract. Jeff Sherrer was supposed to look into it. Attorney Brunson stated he would follow up on that. The council discussed the garbage service not doing what was required in the contract. Councilperson Massey stated he would like to see the city rebid that service. Mayor Bradley stated it would be added to the agenda for next meeting to see what the Attorneys have found and then go from there as far as rebidding the contract.

Mayor Report: The Easter Egg Hunt for the Census will be held on March 28th. The Beta Club will be helping with the event. Councilperson Brown stated she received a quote from Print South for the banners and flyers, \$60.00 for banners and \$10.00 for flyers. Councilperson Brown motioned to order a banner and four signs to put out advertising the event. Mayor Pro-Tem Alldredge seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Mayor Bradley also reminded everyone the Census begins March 12th.

The Council discussed Business #2690 and possible pursuing a lawsuit against the business. Councilperson Massey stated he spoke with the landlord and the lease was up in June and would not be renewed. There was further discussion regarding the Attorney helping the city handle this situation if the business refuses to cooperate.

Mayor Bradley asked the council to suspend the rules to discuss the advertising of the Clerk position. Councilperson Massey motioned to add the subject to the agenda. Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Mayor Bradley stated the city needed to advertise for the City Clerk position in the St. Clair Time and Trussville Tribune. Councilperson Massey motioned to allow the city to advertise for the position not exceeding \$200.00. Mayor Pro-Tem Alldredge seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Council Comments: Councilperson Massey stated he finally has the drawings for his building permit. He asked about getting the drawings stamped by the proper person. Attorney Brunson stated if they were certified with the State then that would suffice for the building permit.

Councilperson Brown discussed her concerns about adding a retaining wall behind the shelter. There was general conversation on stacking blocks or adding sod instead to help.

Captain Glenn Wells stated he had spoken with James regarding getting a metal detector for Court and Trussville's was around \$8,000.00. He would work on getting estimates for the council at next meeting.

Public Comments: None

Councilperson Massey motioned to adjourn. Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Cowan-yea, Massey-yea, Alldredge-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Betty Bradley", is written over a horizontal line.

Betty Bradley, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Casie Bethune", is written over a horizontal line.

Casie Bethune, City Clerk