

RECORD OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF ARGO

Date: 08-09-2021
Time: 6:00 PM
Place: Municipal Complex
Regular Meeting

ROLL CALL

Councilperson Michael Hicks
Mayor Pro-Tem Dusty Stinson
Councilperson Danny McCarley
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.

Invocation was given by Councilperson Brown, and the pledge of allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Councilperson Hicks motioned to approve the special called meeting 7/19/2021, work session minutes and regular meeting minutes from 7/26/2021 without change. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Hicks-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

FIRE REPORT – Lieutenant Andy Griffin gave the monthly fire report. Overall, the month of July was down for them, they are using PPE on calls, as COVID is more active again, also there is an ambulance shortage. He updated the council on the firetruck, it should be here by the end of October. He also wanted to share with the everyone that the City of Trussville donated a used GMC Yukon to the fire department.

POLICE REPORT – Captain Alan Busler gave the monthly police report. He also gave the council a list of potential things that would help to recruit new hires and retain employees for the police department.

Several residents came and spoke on the issue of the trash, list attached, the issues ranged from no pickup to poor customer service. Mike Mitchell with Waste Management spoke on these issues stating they have failed as a company, and he was embarrassed. He also stated they were coming back from COVID and labor shortages. Brandon Kemp with EcoSouth also spoke on the subject, he explained their process and how they do things.

Attorney Brymer read aloud the bids submitted by each company. Waste Management is as follows, \$15.97 + \$2.35 for one cart per month/per household with a call in to schedule a monthly debris pick up, and \$23.96 + \$2.35 for two carts per month/per household with a call in

to schedule a monthly debris pick up, EcoSouth is as follows no franchise fee \$19.95 for one cart per month/per household with weekly scheduled debris pick-up, and an additional \$8 dollars per cart per month /per household with weekly scheduled debris pick-up, and with a franchise fee would be \$20.95 for one cart per month/per household with weekly scheduled debris pick-up, and an additional \$8 dollars per cart per month/per household with weekly scheduled debris pick-up.

Councilperson Brown spoke up stating that she has never received so many calls from citizens since she has been in office than over the past few months, she understands shortages, but something must be done to resolve this trash issue. One resident spoke told her, that her trash had been picked up three times in nine weeks. She has also heard from citizens they would much rather pay more to receive consistent service.

Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson motioned to approve Resolution 2021-08-09 - A Resolution to Declare Advanced Disposal Services Solid Waste Southeast, Inc., A Waste Management Company, A Non-Responsible Bidder Regarding Invitation to Bid Solid Waste Collection, Disposal, Recycling, And Related Services Posted on June 15, 2021. Councilperson Hicks seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Hicks-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson motioned to approve Resolution 2021-08-09A- A Resolution Awarding the Bid for Solid Waste Collection, Disposal, Recycling, And Related Services Posted on June 15, 2021, To Eco South Services, with franchise fee. Councilperson Hicks seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Hicks-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Bob Carter spoke tonight about the upcoming Argo Business Club Picnic, it will be Saturday September 11th, 10-3. There will be 200 free hotdogs, as well as food trucks, shaved ice or snow cone truck and much more. They do ask that you do bring your own lawn chairs for seating.

Councilperson Hicks motioned to table the Farm City Committee. Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Hicks-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY –No new business.

MAYOR REPORT – No new business.

Councilperson Hicks thanked Mr. Carter with the business club, he thinks the picnic will be a success and sounds fun. Mr. Carter said this is the just the beginning of things to come.

Councilperson Brown updated everyone on the disc golf, she needs vendors who donated, the artwork for their business, not their logos, if everyone could please get this to her, she will also be reaching out to everyone about this. She also wanted to thank Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson for helping her with this project.

A motion was made to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

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Betty Bradley, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tiffany Westbrook", written over a horizontal line.

Tiffany Westbrook, City Clerk

