RECORD OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES CITY OF ARGO

Date: 10/24/2022 Time: 5:35 PM

Place: Municipal Complex

Regular Meeting

ROLL CALL

Councilperson Dennis Griffin Councilperson Thomas Suggs Mayor Pro-Tem 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 Ann Brown, and the pledge of allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Jessica Taylor with Simple Grants was present at tonight's meeting and gave the mayor and council a brief overview of what her company could do to help the city with grants. They have three areas of focus, grant identification, grant writing, and grant management. She explained how many different companies and cities utilize them for as much or as little as needed. The comprehensive grant strategy, which is a 12-month plan for grant opportunities, guidance would be \$8,500, with an hourly rate of \$165.

St. Clair County Schools Superintendent, Justin Burns spoke at tonight's meeting in regard to the upcoming Ad Valorem tax increase on the ballots in November. He talked about the needs of the schools in St. Clair County, especially the need for a middle school in Springville. He just wants to be as transparent as possible and wants everyone to be informed. He will be doing a Facebook live tomorrow night on the Springville School page, Tuesday October 25th at 7pm, for another Q&A, with Dr. Moore, and Clayton Martin. He also suggested if anyone still has questions to contact the St. Clair County Revenue Office at 205-594-2160.

Councilperson Brown motioned to approve the work session and regular meeting minutes from 10/10/2022, as presented. Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Councilperson Brown motioned to table the Lee Gardens Platt maps. Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea,

Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried

Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson motioned to approve Resolution 2022-10-24, A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of An Atrip Grant Application and Offering the City's Support for The Proposed Project and Pledging City Funds as Part of The Grant's Matching Requirement, with the amended amount up to \$200,000. Councilperson Griffin second the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson motioned to approve the invoice from TirGreen Equipment, for the additional \$1,097.12 that was not covered under the warranty. Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried

Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson motioned to approve the Alley's Carpet bid for the City of Argo, for the replacement of carpet and tile work, with new flooring, LPV Ozark II in the amount \$38,945.00, with funds to come from Capital Improvement. Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried

Councilperson Brown motioned to approve the extra \$800 to the previously approved bid for the painting of city hall, now totaling \$28340.50, the additional money for is for the moving of the furniture. Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, Stinson-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried

CITY ATTORNEY – No new business.

MAYOR REPORT – Mayor Bradley reminded everyone Monster Mash is this weekend, Saturday October 29^{th,} 2022, 4-6pm. City Hall will be closed Friday November 11th for Veterans Day, Thursday November 24th, and Friday November 25th for Thanksgiving. We are now accepting applications for Christmas for kids, now through Friday December 9th. The giveaway will be the Wednesday after the Christmas parade, December 14th from 4-6pm. The Christmas Parade is on Saturday December 10th at 10am. She also reminded everyone about the zoning open house, which will be Thursday November 10th,2022 from 3-6pm at city hall. Mr. Carter has offered to help with refreshments.

Councilperson Brown wanted to update everyone, she will be at the park Saturday at 8am to start setting up, she wanted to thank the sponsors, Massey, Stoster, Nichols, PC., Grants Crossing, The PrintCorp, and the Alabama Tourism Grant, for help with hosting this event. A motion was made to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

Betty Bradley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tiffany Westbrook, City Clerk