## RECORD OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES CITY OF ARGO

Date: 2/27/23 Time: 5:51 PM

Place: Municipal Complex

**Regular Meeting** 

## ROLL CALL

Councilperson Dennis Griffin Councilperson Thomas Suggs Mayor Pro-Tem Stinson-Absent 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 Suggs motioned to approve the work session minutes and the regular meeting minutes as presented 2/13/2023. Councilperson Griffin seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Councilperson Brown motioned for a second reading and public hearing of Ordinance 2023-02-13, An Ordinance Creating & Establishing the Planning & Zoning Commission of the City of Argo, Alabama, Councilperson Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried. The city attorney Michael Brymer opened the floor up to anyone who wanted to speak on the matter, for the public hearing no one spoke. The floor was closed for the public hearing and the next items on the agenda were discussed.

Councilperson Brown motioned to approve the painting estimate from VP Roofing & Renovation, LLC in the amount of \$4,957, with the stipulation the chief will asked if the quote will change since the FD has already moved the furniture. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Next item on the agenda was the smoker for fundraisers, after a first and a second motion both were withdrawn after discussion. Mayor Bradley has asked Mr. Carter to try and get sponsors from local business owners who would be willing to commit. Mr. Carter also talked about how

the city would need to form a committee of roughly 15-20 people. This could be a few people from the community, some of the council members, some from the fire department, and police department.

Councilperson Brown motioned to approve Councilperson McCarley as voting delegate, and Councilperson Dennis Griffin 1<sup>st</sup> alternate voting delegate for the Alabama League of Municipalities annual business meeting. Councilperson Suggs seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Councilperson Brown motioned to suspend the rules to add the approval of installation of hot water heater by Noah plumbing the agenda for parts and labor. Councilperson Griffin seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Councilperson Brown motioned to approve Noah plumbing to install the hot water heater for city hall in the amount of \$500 for parts and labor. Councilperson Griffin seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Councilperson Brown motion to suspend the rules to declare the 3ft x 100ft silk fence originally purchased for the monster mash, but not used, surplus. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Councilperson Brown motioned to approve the surplus silk fence be sold to the Brookstone HOA on the amount of \$56.50, which is the original purchase price. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-abstain, and Mayor Bradley-yea. Motion carried.

Councilperson Brown motion to add the repair work on Roulain road to the agenda. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-abstain. Motion carried.

Councilperson Brown motioned to give the mayor authority to spend up to \$10k in an emergency situation to replace the pipe under Roulian Road. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yea, Suggs-yea, McCarley-yea, Brown-yea, and Mayor Bradley-abstain. Motion carried.

**CITY ATTORNEY** – Attorney Brymer informed the council that there would be money coming in from the opioid settlement.

MAYOR REPORT -Mayor Bradley let everyone know we received an estimate for the roof, the council received this information in their packet. She also presented the council with an estimate from an emergency road repair at Cedar Creek and Roulain Rd, the council also received this information. The auditor will be here at the next meeting on 3/13 for the audit. reminded

everyone that City Hall will be closed on Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for mandatory magistrate training. Mayor Bradley also let anyone interested in being on the zoning board, the GMC be present at the next council meeting to discuss next steps.

Councilperson Brown asked the attorney about the planning & zoning board, as far as interviewing them, he said it needed to be done in an opening meeting type setting, and it would be useful to have people the knowledge and skills sit on the board, it doesn't have to be exclusively all those type of people since you do want a variety of people, but its helpful. The question was also asked if you had to live in the city to be on the board, attorney Brymer stated that yes in fact you do, the only exception to that rule is the staff picked by the mayor, most commonly the clerk.

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

APPROVED:

Betty Bradley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tiffany Westbrook, City Clerk