

Meeting of the March 15, 2022

Members present: Jim King, Kira Livingston, and Chris French, Shawntel Robinson, Steven Craig, Joe Maxwell all members present.

Meeting Prayer: Lead by Jim King

Pledge of Allegiance by all.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Preston Scroggin.

Established of quorum.

Approval of February 15, 2022 Minutes: Motion of approval made by Councilman Joe Maxwell, seconded by Jim King, no discussion, motion passed

Approval of February 2022 Financial Statements: Motion of approval by Councilman Joe Maxwell, seconded by Stephen Craig, no discussion, motion passed.

Announcements: Senior Citizens is back open with full service.

Reports of Boards and Committees:

Emergency Management, planning commission, Fire Department: Code Enforcement: The Fire Department has had 290 runs so far this year. They have had a lot of grass fires recently. The planning commission will meet this month regarding the re-plating of 34 acres on Church Street for a residential development.

Police Department: Chief McNew reported the new car for 2022 has been built but has not been released. The Dodge charger is out for bid again for sale as the last sale fell through. There is still

Parks and Recreation: There have been improvements made at the park in the restrooms with auto flush toilets and auto water on/off with much better pressure than the past. The Vilonia pathways academy from the Vilonia School District will aid in making improvements to a park in town. The kids will do the work and the city has purchased the supplies for a pavilion over in Parkwood Meadows. The material cost was \$4,799.00

Chamber of Commerce: The chamber had its banquet on February 26, 2022 there were over 200 people there. April Business of the month is Vilonia Family Pharmacy.

Sewer Department: The expansion is making headway. The project is about 70-80% complete and some of the pump stations are now ready to connect.

Old Business: Additions and Deletions for 2021 for city equipment and vehicles was presented again. The motion to approve was made by Joe Maxwell and seconded by Kira Livingston. Motion passed.

New Business: The mayor reported on the shortage of power poles with Entergy. They also have a back order of transformers and issues with getting bulbs for the street lights. If anyone reports street light outages please be patient as this is been reported to Entergy but the city has to wait on Entergy to fix.

Pafford Ambulance Service has now moved into the trailer behind the fire department and is in town full time as of March 1, 2022. Clay Hobbs the COO from Pafford gave a detailed report on their services along with a slide presentation. They have a yearly membership program for \$60.00 a year. Pafford will be Faulkner County's new ambulance service moving forward as of March 1, 2022. The mayor stated this is the smoothest transition of a service he has ever worked with.

Shawntel Brown reported on the Veterans Museum that the Vilonia East program built a new exhibit at the museum. The museum was awarded \$1000.00 from Holt, Rainwater and Sexton as a donation.

Bids for South Mount Olive Bridge were open and the lowest bid was from Hardrock Construction. The bid was for \$81,490.00. Joe Maxwell made the motion to approve the bid award to Hardrock Construction. Jim King seconded, the motion passed.

The mayor also spoke briefly regarding the Weaver Family Park on North Mount Olive. They will meet with Arkansas Game and Fish for specks on the pier for the fishing pond and concrete ramps. Once this project is built the AGFC will stock the pond for public fishing.

The motion was made to adjourn by Jim King seconded by Stephen Craig meeting adjourned.

Date: 4/9/2022
Mayor: [Signature]
Recorder: Sherry Clements