



**Council Meeting Minutes – 6/15/2020
Council Chambers**

- I. **Called to Order:** was called to order by Mayor Gastineau @ 6:30pm
 - a. Prayer
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance

- II. **Roll Call (COVID-19 Protocols):** by City Clerk Ruble. Council members Barrentine - present, Wier – here, Ketterman – here, Hefner - here, McMinn – absent, and Brooke – here. We have a quorum.

- III. **Confirmation of Public Access via Facebook Live:** City Clerk Ruble announced to all following us on Facebook live could text and questions or comments to 501-259-1273

- IV. **Review/approval of May 18, 2020 Council Minutes:** Mr. Brook made a motion to approve the May 18th, 2020 council meeting with two additions reflecting “via web link” and one misspelling, second by Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion passes with 5-0 voice vote.

- V. **Department Reports:** Mr. Brooke made a motion to accept all department reports, second by Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 voice vote

- VI. **Commission Report:** No meeting and no report.

- VII. **Unfinished Business:**

- VIII. **New Business**
 - a. **Resolution 2020-15:** A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FAIR, DIRECT FEDERAL EMERGENCY SUPPORT TO REOPEN AND REBUILD LOCAL AMERICAN ECONOMIES; WARD, ARKANSAS IS ESSENTIAL: Mr. Ketterman made a motion to accept R-2020-15, second by Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Brooke – Yea, Barrentine – Yea, Wier – Yea, Ketterman -Yea, and Hefner – Yea.

 - b. **Resolution 2020-16:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF WARD TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO REPAIR THE ROOF TO CITY GYM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES: Mr. Wier made a motion to approve R-2020-16, second by Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Barrentine – Yea, Wier – Yea, Ketterman -Yea, Hefner – Yea, and Brooke – Yea.

- c. **Resolution 2020-17:** A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE JUNE 17, 2019 CITY OF WARD HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 CRISIS: Mrs. Barrentine made a motion to approve R-2020-17, second by Mr. Ketterman. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Wier – Yea, Ketterman -Yea, Hefner – Yea, Brooke – Yea, and Barrentine – Yea.
- d. **Ordinance 2020-06:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020-05, ESTABLISHING THE RULES AND PROCEDURES TO BE USED BY THE WARD CITY COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES: Mr. Brooke makes a motion to put O-2020-06 on its first reading, second by Mr. Ketterman. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Ketterman -Yea, Hefner – Yea, Brooke – Yea, Barrentine – Yea, and Wier – Yea. Mr. Ketterman made a motion to suspend the rules and put O-2020-06 on its second and third reading, second by Mr. Brooke. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Hefner – Yea, Brooke – Yea, Barrentine – Yea, Wier – Yea, Ketterman – Yea. Mr. Brooke makes a motion to approve O-2020-06, second by Mrs. Barrentine. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Brooke – Yea, Barrentine – Yea, Wier – Yea, Ketterman – Yea, and Hefner – Yea. Mr. Brooke makes a motion to adopt O-2020-06, second by Mr. Ketterman. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 roll call vote. Barrentine – Yea, Wier – Yea, Ketterman – Yea, Hefner – Yea, and Brooke- Yea.
- e. **ARML Health Benefit Mid-Year Assessment:** Make note that they will not increase the premiums as of July 1st.

IX. Mayor's Report: As presented by Mayor Gastineau.

Mrs. Hefner made a motion to move our city clean up to October 3rd, 2020, second by Mrs. Barrentine. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 voice vote.

X. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Mrs. Hefner wanted to know if the position we approved last year for some extra help in the courts was still active. Mayor Gastineau said that position was approved as position in the 2020 Budget, but because of Covid-19 this position was Furloughed. Council Member Ketterman announced that he will no longer live in the city limits after this council meeting and would like to resign his position. Mrs. Hefner made a motion to make Ward 2 position 1 vacant, second by Mrs. Barrentin. Motion passes with a 5-0 voice vote. Mr. Ketterman made a motion to allow any interested candidates to hand in the proper paperwork by 12 noon on July 20th, 2020, second by Mrs. Barrentine. Discussion. Motion passes with a 5-0 voice vote. Public comment via text about a speed bump on North St. or a 4 was stop on North & Cross along with North and 3rd. I had spoke to the Mayor in regards to this and he said he would look into it. Mayor Gastineau said he was not a fan of speed bumps but would look in to these issues and see what he could do in regards to them.

XI. Announcements – (COVID-19 Protocols Apply, as needed)

City Facilities Closed: July 3, 2020 for 4th of July
NO City-Sponsored 4th of July Celebration
City Council Meeting: July 20, 2020 at 6:30 pm
Planning Commission Meeting: July 27, 2020 at 7 pm
Ward City Cleanup: Saturday, August 1, 2020 from 8:00am – 3:00pm
Ward Earth Day Cleanup: Saturday, October 3, 2020 at 8:00am

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09pm with a motion by Mr. Ketterman, second by Mr. Wier. Motion to adjourn passed with a 5-0 voice vote.

We, the undersigned Mayor and City Clerk for the City of Ward, do hereby verify the foregoing to be true and correct record of proceedings of the City of Ward Regular Meeting held on Monday, June 15th, 2020 at 6:30pm.

APPROVED DATE: July 20th, 2020

[Signature]
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Courtney Fleible
CITY CLERK

