



CITY OF WARD

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Council Meeting Minutes – 8/16/2021 Council Chambers

- I. **Call to Order:** was called to order by Mayor Gastineau @ 6:30pm
 - Prayer
 - Pledge of Allegiance
- II. **Roll Call (COVID-19 Protocols):** by City Clerk Ruble. Council Members Rummel –absent, Wier –here, Harbort –here, Hefner –here, McMinn –here, and Shetron –absent. We have a quorum.
- III. **Review/approval of July 19, 2021 Council Minutes:** Mr. Harbort made a motion to approve the June 21, 2021 Council Minutes, second by Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote.
- IV. **Department Reports and Financials:** Mrs. Hefner made a motion to approve the department reports as presented, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote.
- V. **Planning Commission Report:** No Report. Mr. Meadows talked about the processes of the planning commission as informational purposes only.
- VI. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. **ORDINANCE 2021-07:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE 2014-01, AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICE IN THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS; REQUIRING CANDIDATES TO FILE FOR OFFICE ON DATES/TIMES PRESCRIBED BY THE ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (Third Reading) Mr. Wier made a motion to put O-2021-07 on its third reading, second by Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. McMinn-yea, Wier-yea, Harbort-yea, Hefner-yea. Mr. McMinn made a motion to approve O-2021-07, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Wier-yea, Harbort-yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea.
 - b. **ORDINANCE 2021-08:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CHANGE TO THE CITY OF WARD PERSONNEL HANDBOOK (Second Reading) Mr. Harbort made a motion to put O-2021-08

on its second reading, second by Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort -yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Wier-yea.

VI New Business:

- a. **ORDINANCE 2021-09:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF WATER AND SEWER REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS TO REFUND CERTAIN OUTSTANDING BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS; CONFIRMING WATER AND SEWER RATES; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Mr. Wier made a motion to put O-2021-09 on its first reading, second by Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Wier-yea, Harbort-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to suspend the rules and put O-2021-09 on its second and third reading, second by Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Wier-Yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Harbort-yea. Mr. McMinn made a motion to adopt O-2021-09, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Wier-yea, Harbort-yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to enact the emergency clause for O-2021-09, second by Mr. McMinn. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort-yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Wier.
- b. **ORDINANCE 2021-10:** AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE O-CF-F-89, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. Mr. Wier made a motion to put O-2021-10 on its first reading, second by Mr. McMinn. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Wier-yea, Harbort-yea. Mr. McMinn made a motion to suspend the rules and put O-2021-10 on its second and third reading, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Wier-Yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Harbort-yea. Mr. Wier made a motion to adopt O-2021-10, second by Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Wier-yea, Harbort-yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea. Mrs. Hefner made a motion to enact the emergency clause for O-2021-10, second by Mr. McMinn. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort-yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Wier.
- c. **ORDINANCE 2021-11:** AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE O-2012-05; ADOPTING AND PROMULGATING ANEW POLICE DEPARTMENT "POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL", MARKED AND "EXHIBIT A"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. Mr. Wier made a motion to put O-2021-11 on its second reading, second by Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort -yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Wier-yea.
- d. **RESOLUTION 2021-19:** A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MINIMUM HOURLY RATES AND SALARY FOR MEMBERS OF THE WARD WATER WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT; AND TO

APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS. Mr. Harbort made a motion to adopt R-2021-19, second by Mr. McMinn. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort -yea, Hefner-yea, McMinn-yea, Wier-yea.

IX. **Mayor's Report:** Presented by Mayor Gastineau. During the Mayors report he presented the council with the Ward Water and Sewer System Audit Report.

X. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:**

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

- Planning Commission: August 23, 2021 7:00pm
- City Council: September 20, 6:30 pm

XII. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with a motion by Mr. Wier, second by Mrs. Hefner. Motion to adjourn passed with a 4-0 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 Council Meeting held on Monday, August 16th, 2021 at 6:30pm.

APPROVED DATE: September 20, 2021


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

