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Council Meeting Minutes – 05/17/2021 Council Chambers

- I. Call to Order: was called to order by Mayor Gastineau @ 6:30pm
 - Prayer
 - Pledge of Allegiance
- II. <u>Roll Call (COVID-19 Protocols):</u> by City Clerk Ruble. Council Members Rummel absent, Wier –here, Harbort –here, Hefner –here, McMinn –absent, and Shetron –here. We have a quorum
- III. <u>Confirmation of Public Access via Facebook Live:</u> No Facebook live because of technical difficulties, but the meeting was recorded.
- IV. Review/approval of April 19, 2021 Council Minutes: Mr. Wier made a motion to approve the April 19, 2021 Council Minutes, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote.
- V. <u>Department Reports and Financials:</u> Mr. Wier made a motion to approve the department reports as presented, second by Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote.
 - Michelle Fitzgerald was introduced as the new Parks and Recreation Director. Mrs. Hefner made a motion to accept Mrs. Fitzgerald as the new Parks and Recreation Director, second by Mr. Wier. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote.
- VI. Planning Commission Report: No meeting to report last month.
- VII. <u>Unfinished Business:</u>
- VIII. New Business:
 - a. Establishment of Engineering RFQ Review Committee: Mayor asked for volunteers to be on this committee and Mrs. Hefner along with Mr. Rummel requested to be on the committee.
 - b. RESOLUTION 2021-13: A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED ONE-HALF CENT TO FUND THE LONOKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND DETENTION CENTER: Mr. Wier made

a motion to approve R-2021-13, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Wier-yea, Harbort-yea, Hefner-yea, Shetron-yea

e. Mayor's Report: Presented by Mayor Gastineau.

Mr. Wier made a motion to approve the STRS II bid, second by Mrs. Hefner. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote.

- f. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: None
- g. Announcements (COVID-19 Protocols Apply, as needed)
 - Planning Commission: May 24, 7 pm
 - Circus: June 1st, Ward Park
 - o Tent Raising at 9:30 am, Shows at 5 pm and 7:30 pm
 - o In partnership with Ward Chamber of Commerce
 - o Call 501-641-9339 for ticket information
 - Water Bond Refinance Public Hearing: June 21, 6 pm
 - City Council: June 21, 6:30 pm

h. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm with a motion by Mrs. Hefner, second by Mr. Harbort. 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 Special Meeting held on Monday, May 17^{th} , 2021 at 6:30pm.

APPROVED DATE:

ATTEST:

CITY SEAL

Courtney Fleuble