

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY,
ARKANSAS, HELD APRIL 3, 2018

The Board of Directors of the City of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, met in regular session at the City of Siloam Springs Administration Building on April 3, 2018.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Turner.

Roll Call: Johnson, Smiley, Burns, Beers, Carroll, Smith, Coleman – Present.

Also present: Phillip Patterson, City Administrator; Jay Williams, City Attorney; Renea Ellis, City Clerk; Jim Wilmeth, Police Chief; Jeremy Criner, Fire Chief; Phil Stokes, Electric Director; Ben Rhoads, Sr. City Planner; and Justin Bland, City Engineer.

Opening prayer was led by Steve Beers.

Mayor Turner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A copy of the March 20, 2018, minutes of the regular meeting had previously been given to each Director. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Coleman to approve the minutes. Turner called for a voice vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Input: No one came forward.

Item A: Asphalt Compactor Purchase / Public Works Department / Infrastructure Division / Riggs CAT- Springdale / \$106,822.00. Dennis Kindy, Street Department Superintendent, briefed the item. Following comment and a question from the Board, a motion was made by Beers and seconded by Smith to approve the item. Motion passed unanimously.

Item B: Architectural Services Contract / Fire Station #2 / Fire Department / Matthias J. Pearson, Architect PLLC. Jeremy Criner briefed the item. Following brief questions from the Board, a motion was made by Burns and seconded by Coleman to approve the item. Motion passed unanimously.

Item C: Ordinance 18-06 / 2nd Reading / Amending Municipal Code / Chapter 98, Article II – Electrical - REVISED. Phil Stokes briefed the item. A motion was then made by Smiley and seconded by Carroll to place Ordinance 18-06 on its second reading, suspending the rules and reading title only. Motion passed unanimously.

An ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Article II of Chapter 98 of the Siloam Springs Municipal Code for the Purposes of Updating the Electrical Regulations and Deleting Obsolete Provisions; was read on its second reading.

Item D: Ordinance 18-07 / 1st Reading / Prohibited Use Development Permit / Bill Parker / 505 E. Helena Street. Ben Rhoads briefed the item. Kendra Parker, 505 E. Helena, explained that the family

had been trying to fix the house, but it had black mold and was unsafe. She provided a mold report to Patterson. She gave a background of the problems and said that the house was currently listed. She went on to say that after the 180 days, they were willing to walk away from the house. After lengthy discussion by the Board and Parker, a motion to place Ordinance 18-07 on its first reading, suspending the rules and reading title only was made by Burns and seconded by Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

Item E: Resolution 12-18 / Significant Development Permit / Gryder Networks, LLC / 4400 Smith Field Drive. Ben Rhoads briefed the item. Tony Shepard, Shepard Construction, stated he had performed concrete work on the project but had yet to be paid, and asked the Board not to change the dynamics of the project until a pending lawsuit could be resolved. Chris McDaniel, ARCO Excavation and Paving, stated he too was a party to the lawsuit; that he had performed dirt work on the project, and his company hadn't been paid. He too asked the Board not to change the dynamics of the project until the legal matter was resolved. Dan Gryder, 4400 Smith Field Drive, addressed the Board regarding the previous gentlemen's comments. Following lengthy discussion between the Board, the parties involved and staff, a motion was made by Burns and seconded by Beers to approve Resolution 12-18. Motion passed 6/1 with Coleman being the no vote.

Item F: Resolution 13-18 / Significant Development Permit / JWT Properties, LLC / 1510 E. Main St. Ben Rhoads briefed the item. A motion was made by Smiley and seconded by Burns to approve Resolution 13-18. Motion passed unanimously.

Item G: Resolution 14-18. Resolution 14-18 / Facility Usage Agreement / Siloam Springs Flyers Swim Club. Jon Boles, Parks & Recreation Manager briefed the item. A motion was made by Beers and seconded by Smiley to approve Resolution 14-18. Motion passed unanimously.

Item H: Administrator's Report. Patterson reported an expenditure by the Police Department for building and fuel farm security in the amount of \$33,027.62; pointed out that the January 2018 financials had been provided; also pointed out that the 1st quarter update of 2017-2019 Board Goals had been given to each director; stated a list of dates would be forthcoming to determine a date to hold a workshop for the 2019-2020 goals; and lastly provided information about the expiring board terms, filing dates and information in general about the election.

Beers pointed out that the JBU pool had been completely renovated; congratulated Capt. Todd Brakeville; and commended code enforcement on the job they were doing. Burns said he was always glad to see public servants further their education; thanked Capt. Brakeville; said he would like a count on riding club members; that NWA benefits from connectivity and was happy the city was proactive on improving the quality of life in the city. Johnson said he appreciated the police and fire departments; he liked the bump-outs downtown; Phat Tire was open downtown; the kayak park would be a big deal in a few weeks; he appreciated the airport and board looking out for the good of the citizens. Smith congratulated Capt. Brakeville; welcomed Phat Tire; thanked James Harris and Ben Rhoads for their efforts; announced Main Street's *Main Event* would be April 6th and that there would be a "Dancing with the Stars" contest she and her husband would be participating in. Finally, she announced she would not seek re-election; said it had been a pleasure to serve; and encouraged


others to run for the position. Carroll said he hoped everyone had a Happy Easter; was thankful for the rain; was looking forward to the Chamber of Commerce's open house this Friday and that 1st Friday Coffee would be held there at 7:30 am. He said he appreciated Main Street, the Chamber and JBU's support. Smiley congratulated Capt. Brakeville; the Chamber on its open house; wished Director Smith and her husband good luck; pointed out that Saturday the Tail Waggers would sponsor the annual "chip and shots" from 10 am – 2 pm at the Ravenwood Veterinary Clinic, with costs being \$40.00; announced "Kite Day" would be rescheduled; and said if anyone ever had questions on city matters, to go to the city's website for information. Coleman congratulated Capt. Brakeville and said what a great accomplishment it was; he pointed out that Sgt. Chase Fine was given a Shining Star award from Benton County Children's Advocacy Center; commended the PD on the pinwheels that were out for child abuse awareness; said he had a sneak peak at the Chamber's new office and it was fantastic - Congratulations to Wayne Mays and the staff.

A Motion to adjourn was made by Coleman and seconded by Smiley.

The Mayor wished he wife a happy birthday.

A voice vote was called on the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:



Renée Ellis, City Clerk



APPROVED:



John Mark Turner, Mayor

