

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL**  
**APRIL 24, 2012**

The Batesville City Council met in regular session on April 24, at 5:30 PM at the Municipal Building. Mayor Elumbaugh called the meeting to order. Utility Office Manager Nick Baxter gave the invocation. Upon roll call, the following council answered present; Tommy Bryant, Margaret Henley, Paige Hubbard, Davy Insell, Fred Krug, Douglas Matthews, Chris Poole, and David Shetron. Also present were the City Clerk and the City Attorney.

Councilmember Shetron moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Councilmember Insell seconded and all voted for.

Councilmember Matthews moved to approve the prepared agenda. Councilmember Shetron seconded and all voted for.

**CITIZENS COMMENTS**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A) THIRD READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK**

Councilmember Matthews moved to suspend the rules and read the ordinance by title only. Councilmember Insell seconded and the roll call vote was 8 for and 0 against. City Attorney Castleberry read the ordinance by title only. After a discussion, Councilmember Shetron moved to adopt the ordinance and Councilmember Bryant seconded. The roll call count was 7 for and 1 (Krug) against. The ordinance was given #2012-04-1.

**B) SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING CODE ON REGULATIONS OF MOBILE HOME PARKS**

Councilmember Matthews moved to suspend the rules and read the ordinance by title only. Councilmember Bryant seconded and the roll call vote was 8 for and 0 against. City Attorney Castleberry read the ordinance by title only. After a discussion Mayor Elumbaugh said the ordinance will be placed on the next meeting's agenda for the third and final reading.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A) RECOGNIZE SAFETY EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER – DALLAS**

**UNDERWOOD**

Mayor Elumbaugh presented Mr. Dallas Underwood with a certificate and coupon for two dinners donated by Colton's Steak House for being selected Safety Employee of the Quarter. Mr. Underwood works at the Water Treatment Plant.

**B) RECOGNIZE THE BATESVILLE ARCHERY TEAMS**

The Batesville School Districts Archery teams were recognized for their outstanding placement in the State Archery Competition.

**C) HEAR A REPORT FROM MS. PAULA GRIMES FROM MAIN STREET**

**BATESVILLE**

**Ms. Paula Grimes and Mr. Richard Black with Main Street Batesville and Ms. Samantha Evans, Assistant Director of Main Street Arkansas** addressed the council requesting additional funding for Main Street Batesville. Ms. Grimes and Mr. Black updated the council on all the activities going on downtown and events and fundraisers that are being planned. Ms. Evans also gave the council

information about the Main Street programs across the state. Ms. Grimes asked the council for an additional \$10,000.00. After a discussion, the council said they would consider the request after reviewing the budget at the end of June.

**D) HEAR FIRST QUARTER REPORT FROM CHIEF GLEGHORN**

Fire Chief Brent Gleghorn addressed the council with his department's first quarter report. Chief Gleghorn also asked the council to approve out of state travel for two firemen to attend fire training in Wisconsin. The training is free and the travel expenses will be paid out of Act 833 funds. Councilmember Matthews moved to approve the out of state travel and Councilmember Bryant seconded. All voted for. Also, Chief Gleghorn asked for out of state approval to go to South Dakota to pick up the new fire truck. Councilmember Matthews so moved and Councilmember Bryant seconded. All voted for.

**E) REQUEST FROM AIRPORT COMMISSION**

Airport Commissioners Charles Barnett and Karl Kemp addressed the council regarding an upcoming airport improvement. Mr. Kemp told the council that the proposed improvement has been in the works for about 4 years and is estimated to cost \$2.6 million dollars. It is a runway safety grant to improve the west end of the runway by building up the land so there is a gradual slope rather than the drop-off that is currently there and also install a 7 foot chain link fence. Until about 6 weeks ago, the commission thought the entire project would be paid for with the Federal Government paying for 95% and the State 5%. They have been notified that because of budget cuts, the Federal Government is only going to fund 90% which would leave the airport owing approximately \$130,000.00. The

commission met and decided that the project is very important for our airport and they want to continue with the project. Mr. Kemp said they have recently talked to the State Aeronautics Commission and there is a possibility that the state may rearrange their funding and be able to cover the other 5%. Mr. Barnett said if the airport ends up having to pay the 5% they will get a loan with a 10 year payoff for the funding. He said during the construction, payments have to be made and then submitted for reimbursement and they will need the City's help with the construction funds. Councilmember Bryant moved to support the airport with the project and Councilmember Matthews seconded. All voted for.

**F) ENGINEER'S REPORT**

City Engineer Damon Johnson addressed the council with his Engineer's Report. Mr. Johnson updated the council on several projects going on throughout the City.

**G) EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilmember Matthews moved to go into executive session. Councilmember Bryant seconded and all voted for.

Upon returning from executive session, Councilmember Krug moved to re-appoint Mr. Kim Looney to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Councilmember Bryant seconded and all voted for. Mr. Looney's term will expire 5-10-2017.

**H) REVIEW OF THE MARCH 2012 FINANCIALS**

The council was given a copy of the March 2012 financials for review.

**MAYOR COMMENTS**

Mayor Elumbaugh said he had a conflict with the first scheduled meeting in May. He asked the council to cancel the meeting and only have one meeting in May. Councilmember Matthews so moved and Councilmember Bryant seconded. All voted for.

The council was informed of a fixed asset disposal. The Street Department sold a 1984 Chevrolet Pickup, Unit #731 on GovDeals for \$916.00.

### **LIAISON REPORTS**

None

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Councilmember Insell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilmember Bryant seconded and all voted for.

**DENISE M. JOHNSTON, CITY CLERK**

**RICK ELUMBAUGH, MAYOR**