



MEETING MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARING:

- ✓ Mayor Boaz opened Public Hearing at 6:00 PM in relation to FY2023/2024 Budget, in accordance with City of Parsons Charter. City of Parsons lowered tax rate from \$0.85 p/\$100.00 assessment to \$0.70 p/\$100.00 assessment.
- ✓ Seeing no comments or concerns, Mayor Boaz closed the hearing.

CALL TO ORDER:

- ✓ Mayor Boaz called the meeting to order

ROLL CALL BY THE RECORDER:

- Roll was called by the Recorder

PRESENT:

Madison Cagle
Kevin Cagle
Marty Carrington
John Odle
Dale Reynolds
Linda Taylor
Jimmy Lynn Walker

VISITORS:

Colleen Lawlor, City Recorder
Lee Villaflor, City Administrator
Ricky Wood, City Attorney
Danny Haynes, TNL
Charles Taylor, Decatur Co Chamber of Commerce
Paresh Patel
Mike Patel

READING OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS BY RECORDER, FOR APPROVAL OR CORRECTION:

Motion: Kevin Cagle to dispense with reading of and approve previous meeting minutes

Second: Marty Carrington

Vote: Approved 7-0

APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS THRU APRIL 2023:

Motion: Dale Reynolds

Second: Madison Cagle

Vote: Approved 7-0

COMMUNITY FORUM:

Charles Taylor, Director – Chamber of Commerce gave an update to the Council.

- The Chamber has a new member: Holly Walker, LMT
- Re-Opening of Christian Family Medicine is June 8, 2023
- The Big Squeeze (VFW Benefit) is coming up - June 30, 2023

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COUNCILMEN, AND OTHER OFFICERS:

Project Update – Lee Villaflor, City Administrator

- CDBG Grant – Anticipated ETA date for generator is July 14, 2023. No update on transfer switch, but hopeful it will be included in generator arrival.
- TDEC/ARP – Contract has been signed between TDEC and City of Parsons
- Sewer ARP – Project has been approved. This project will divert wastewater that runs under Parsons Elementary School, that line will be capped and rerouted up West Fourth St and install a new lift station.

Police/Fire Department Update

- City of Parsons has obtained 4 SCBA's on loan from Decatur County Fire Department for the next year.
- Parsons Police Department has 2 new certified PSO's (Public Safety Officers)
 - They have completed 64 hours firefighting basic training and 16 hours live burn exercises
 - Public Safety Officers count 2:1 ISO ratio compared to 3:1 Volunteer Firemen ISO ratio

NEW BUSINESS

A: First Reading of Ordinance 414 – An Ordinance to Amend Title 8, Chapter 1 of the Parsons Municipal Code Relative to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors

- Motion approve this Ordinance as presented made by Kevin Cagle
- Seconded by John Odle
- Vote by Roll Call: Approved 7-0

B: Discuss and approve specs on new trucks – see New Business (C)

The specs were unavailable at the time of this meeting and will be presented to the Council at the next meeting.

C: Request Approval to Advertisements for Bids – See New Business (B)

The Utility Department seeks the approval to purchase 2 trucks (1-½ ton truck and 1-1 ton truck)

The Police Department seeks the approval to purchase 2 trucks (2-½ ton trucks)

This item was postponed until the next meeting and will be decided on when specs have been submitted and approved.

D: City of Parsons Cybersecurity Policy: Request approval for this policy to take effect by July 1, 2023

- Motion to approve this policy as presented by Madison Cagle
- Seconded by Marty Carrington
- Vote: Approved 7-0

E: Resolution No 06052023-01: A Resolution Accepting USDA Rural Development Community Facility Grant

- Motion to approve this Resolution made by Dale Reynolds
- Seconded by Jimmy Lynn Walker
- Vote by Roll Call: Approved 7-0

OLD BUSINESS

A: Second Reading of Ordinance 412 – An Ordinance of the City of Parsons, Tennessee Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023 and Ending June 30, 2024 and Establishing New Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 (New Tax Rate \$0.70 p/ \$100.00 Assessment)

- Motion to approve this Ordinance as presented made by Dale Reynolds
- Seconded by Kevin Cagle
- Vote by Roll Call: Approved 7-0

B: Second Reading of Ordinance 413: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 403: An Ordinance of the City of Parsons, Tennessee Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023 and Establishing New Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2022/2023.

- Motion to approve this Ordinance as presented made by Dale Reynolds
- Seconded by Marty Carrington
- Vote by Roll Call: Approved 7-0

C: Liquor Ordinance Update

We received the two corrected applications back from Shree Mahant Food Corporation and RP13 Spirits. After review, the applications passed all requirements, and both can be entered into lottery for the one open slot to receive a Certificate of Compliance.

- Charles Taylor, Decatur County Chamber of Commerce Director draws
 - 1st Place – Certificate of Compliance goes to Shree Mahant Food Corporation
 - 2nd Place – RP13 Spirits.
- Shree Mahant now has 60 days to submit the Certificate of Compliance to ABC or will otherwise forfeit the Certificate of Compliance and RP13 Spirits will be able to obtain the Certificate of Compliance.

D: Approval of Verizon Tower Contract – Lee Villaflor/Rick Wood

The contract is not ready and is projected to be ready to vote on at the next month meeting.

ADJOURN

- Motion to adjourn meeting made by Marty Carrington
- Seconded by Madison Cagle
- Vote: Approved 7-0

Tim David Boaz, Mayor

Colleen Lawlor, City Recorder