

City of Parsons Regular Council Meeting Parsons Municipal Building – City Council Room Monday, September 9, 2024

# **MEETING MINUTES**

## **Public Input Meetings:**

Speaker: Jennie Keel, Engineer, TLM

Topic: CWPRL 2022-26, Collection System Relocation Project

<u>Summary of Comments:</u> The meeting was called to order. No members of the public were present. Jennie Keel went over the project description including the new sewer lift station, wetwell and bar screen, the 12" gravity sewer line, the 6" force main sewer line, electrical and fencing. An estimation of project cost including SRF loan information and funding sources was given. Jennie gave an overview of the project schedule for the New West 4<sup>th</sup> Street Sewer Lift Station project. Jennie discussed the short-term impact versus the long-term benefits for the next 20+ years. The impact on fees incurred by the users in regard to the repayment of the SRF loan was discussed. There were no questions. The meeting was adjourned.

<u>Speakers:</u> Barry Fowler, Tim Vestal, Herbie Blankenship, Michael Milholen

<u>Topic:</u> City of Parsons Blight Grant Program - Identify community needs and how city funds can be used. <u>Summary of Comments:</u> The meeting was called to order. Barry Fowler and Tim Vestal, from Restoration House, Church of God, raised concerns over neighbor's property on Georgia Ave, South that has been abandoned and the house in the back is completely fallen in and the yard is grown up – so much you almost can't see the house. It has been this way for several years. The church has contacted the owner, wanting to buy the property and work an arrangement with her to improve the safety and unsightly condition of that property, but the owner does not want to pursue this. The owner won't sell or clean up this property and the church wants to know what can be done, especially seeing this new program being offered.

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL BY THE RECORDER:

Mayor Boaz called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM Roll was called by the Administrator; Quorum established

PRESENT:

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

**NOT PRESENT** 

Colleen Lawlor, City Recorder

**VISITORS:** 

Lee Villaflor, City Administrator Wes Woodward, Public Safety Director Rick Rood, City Attorney Natasha Varnick, The Newsleader



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

Second: Marty Carrington

Vote: Approved 7-0

#### **APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS THRU JULY 2024:**

Motion: Dale Reynolds Second: Jimmy Lynn Walker

Vote: Approved 7-0

# REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, COUNCILMEN, AND OTHER OFFICERS

#### A) PROJECT UPDATES:

Lee Villaflor gave an update on all pending/current and future projects for the City of Parsons.

#### **B) INDUSTRIAL PARK UPDATES:**

Mayor and Lee Villaflor met with Charles Taylor and Tracey Exum, State of Tennessee Department of Economic & Community Development. They discussed future ideas and plans for the South and North Industrial Parks, which included the new piece of property the City just recently purchased.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A) Parsons Library Board Member Appointment
  - Kay Townsend, Library Director, requested the appointment of Betsy Cole to a three-year term on the Parsons Library Board of Trustees effective immediately replacing outgoing Board Member, Peggy Bowley.

Motion to approve as Presented: Dale Reynolds

Motion Seconded by John Odle Vote by Roll Call: Approved 7-0

- B) Discuss (3) three quotes on Ditch Bank Mower from Street Department
  - a. This item will not be presented as initially planned due to not being able to receive three quotes. One came in and the price was too high and opted not to pursue at this time.



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## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Jimmy Lynn Walker Seconded by Marty Carrington Vote: All Ayes

Tim David Boaz, Mayor	Colleen Lawlor, City Recorder