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Regular Minutes
January 11, 2024

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – January 11, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.

Present: Aldermen – Troy Renner, Dennis Williams, Myrna Carothers and Patrick Parker, City Administrator Dennie Carothers, Police Chief Raymon Barton, Police Officer David Swindell, Fire Chief Chris Wilson, City Superintendent David Burnett, Court Administrator Tamera Wilson and City Clerk Cindy Bowman

Absent: Mayor Dorothy Lanpher

Guests: Darrell Wilson, Ronald Barton, Jamie Trent and Jeremy Clevenger of Clevenger & Associates, Jesse Janes and Phoebe Curless.

Mayor Pro-tem Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Darrell Wilson addressed the board by reading a statement concerning statistics for the City of Clarence from the *2021 American Community Survey*. A copy of the statement is included with the meeting packet. Mr. Wilson expressed concern with the declining population and income within the City and asked about the City's plans to address this situation.

Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to approve the agenda. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderwoman Carothers, to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2023 regular session. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The treasurer's report was given as follows:

Balance Brought Forward:	\$1,374,807.59
Deposits:	\$241,864.63
Checks:	\$117,519.45
Ending Balance:	\$1,499,152.77

Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to accept the treasurer's reports. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Renner moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to approve the payment of the city bills. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Jamie Trent and Jeremy Clevenger, Clevenger & Associates, presented the 2022-23 audit. Ms. Trent stated that the receipt of the grant moneys from the Department of Natural Resources gave the cash balances a favorable perspective. The only deficiency noted was the usual lack of segregation of

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duties because of the limited number of staff. Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to accept the 2022-23 Audit. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Superintendent report was reviewed. Alderwoman Carothers moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to accept the Superintendent Report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Fire Chief Wilson presented the Fire Chief report. Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to accept the Fire Chief report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Municipal Court report was presented. Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderwoman Carothers, to accept the court report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Police Chief report was reviewed. Alderman Renner moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to approve the Police Chief Report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The City Clerk report was reviewed next. Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderwoman Carothers, to accept the City Clerk report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The City Administrator report was reviewed. Administrator Carothers stated that he was working with Missouri Public Utility Alliance on possible avenues to get the generator installed at a reduced cost. They are looking for grants to help also.

Alderman Williams asked about the possibility of obtaining used Christmas decorations from other cities. He also asked about getting started on the fireworks display for July. It was also mentioned the Shelby County has decided to use the Base 1 polymer and that we should look at it also.

Alderwoman Carothers moved, with a second by Alderman Renner to accept the City Administrator report.

Under Miscellaneous, Alderman Renner asked about additional streetlights along Old 36 from the four-way stop east. Administrator Carothers will contact Macon Electric.

Due to Alderman Parker being out of state next month, Alderman Renner moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to move the February meeting to 5:30 pm on Wednesday, February 7th. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

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Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman
City Clerk