Mayor:

Ethan J. Barnes

Recorder-Treasurer:

Mitchell Sparks

Council Members:

Penny Allen, Tony Berry Mark Gordon, Laura Smith Sue Taylor, Herbert Wise

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Minutes of Solar Eclipse Preparedness Committee August 14, 2023 · 5:00 p.m. **Hardy City Hall**

Mayor Ethan J. Barnes called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m. Monday, August 14, 2023, at Hardy City Hall, 124 Woodland Hills Road, Hardy, Arkansas. Recorder-Treasurer Darlene Wilson called the roll. The following committee members answered to their names: Mark Gordon, Laura Smith, Police Chief Scott Rose, Fire Chief Josh Moore and Mayor Ethan Barnes. Tony Berry and Sue Taylor were absent. Conner Keith and Jon Hussung were also in attendance.

Councilman Gordon made a motion to approve the minutes of the Solar Eclipse Preparedness Committee meeting on July 10, 2023. Councilwoman Smith seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

Councilman Gordon made a motion to approve the agenda; Councilwoman Smith seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Barnes asked if there was an update on CPR Classes. Councilwoman Smith stated that Nancy Hudspeth, Lions Club had basic CPR classes for a \$10 fee for a certification card. Chief Moore said he has talked to Andy Schisler about CPR classes. Smith requested everyone's email address so she can get the information gathered out to the members.

Chief Rose reported that he found 40 two-way radios for \$450 for police and city officials to use. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to request the City Council spend \$450 for 40 two-way radios. Chief Moore seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

Councilwoman Smith read a letter concerning raising money to finance first aid shelters. Chief Rose stated that it costs \$800 for two AED stations for basic first aid. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to request the City Council spend up to \$500 for medical supplies. Chief Rose seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed. Chief Moore is going to gather more information concerning tents and tables for the stations.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilwoman Smith made a motion to request the City Council spend up to \$300 for 10 detour signs. Chief Rose seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

Chief Rose discussed the need for extra security, which would include 15 private citizens and overtime for current officers. He estimates that it would cost \$5000 for this extra security. Councilman Gordon made a motion to table the discussion about funds for extra security until the September meeting. Councilwoman Smith seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

Chief Moore stated he was going to ask his staff if they will use their personal vehicles.

Mayor Barnes asked Superintendent Steve Morris about water, sewer, and trash service. He requested a 30-yard dumpster. Morris reported that water and wastewater should be fine.

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Mayor Barnes asked about fundraising. He mentioned the quilt raffle fundraiser created by Councilwoman Smith. Councilwoman Smith made a motion to have a Chili Cook-Off between the police and fire departments. Committee member Keith seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

ADJOURN

Councilwoman Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Committee member Keith seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed, and Mayor Barnes declared the meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mitchell Sparks, Recorder-Treasurer

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 11 DAY OF September, 2023

APPROVED

ATTEST:

Mitchell Sparks, Recorder-Treasurer



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