

**COTTER CITY
COUNCIL REGULAR MINUTES
July 25, 2019
6:00 p.m.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

The regular meeting of the Cotter City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor McGeorge Caradine. He asked for roll call by Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray. Present were: Council Members Chuck Sugg, Kerry Ann White, Nathan Buck, Mertice Kray, Cameron Ross, and John Bell.

The invocation was given by Councilman Cameron Ross followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance by all present.

REPORTS

Approval of the June 27, 2019, regular minutes was the first item of business. Councilman Nathan Buck moved to accept the minutes as written from Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray with a second provided by Councilman Cameron Ross. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Public Works Department Report was given by Mayor Caradine.

Fire Department Report was given by Chief Lyle Jack.

Police Department Report was read by Chief Mayor Caradine.

Building Permits Report was read by Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray.

P & Z Commission Report was given by Mertice Kray.

Cotter/Gassville Sewer Commission was given by Councilman Nathan Buck.

OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

In the first order of New Business, Mayor Caradine presented Resolution 2019-14: A Resolution to dissolve ANRC loan agreement for the Water Meter Replacement to Council by having Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read it in its entirety. Councilman Chuck Sugg moved to pass Resolution 2019-14: A Resolution to dissolve ANRC loan agreement for the Water Meter Replacement with a second provided by Councilman Nathan Buck. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the second order of New Business, Mayor Caradine presented Resolution 2019-15: A Resolution to Amend 2019 Water Department Budget to purchase water meter to Council by having Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read it in its entirety. Councilman Cameron Ross moved to pass Resolution 2019-15: A Resolution to Amend 2019 Water Department Budget to purchase water meter with a second provided by Councilman John Bell. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the third order of New Business, Mayor Caradine presented Resolution 2019-16: A Resolution to Amend 2019 (General Fund Budget) to reflect the sale of City Property to Council by having Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read it in its entirety. Councilwoman Meritce Kray moved to pass Resolution 2019-16: A Resolution to Amend 2019 (General Fund Budget) to reflect the sale of City Property with a second provided by Councilman Chuck Sugg. **Motion passed unanimously.**

ORIGINAL

In the fourth order of New Business, Mayor Caradine presented Resolution 2019-17: A Resolution authorizing the submittal of an Application, for an Activity Grant for Big Spring Park from Blue & You Foundation for a healthier Arkansas to Council by having Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read it in its entirety. Councilman Chuck Sugg moved to pass Resolution 2019-17: A Resolution authorizing the submittal of an Application, for an Activity Grant for Big Spring Park from Blue & You Foundation for a healthier Arkansas with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the fifth order of New Business, Julie Kring addressed Council seeking permission to use the Big Spring Park Pavilion for a Cotter Back Pack Program Fundraiser to be held on September 7, 2019. Donations will go through Thresh Hold ministries in Gassville and be sponsored by the Dream Riders Biking for Children, a 501©3 organization. The organization serviced 65 Cotter students last year which amounts to \$200 per week to fund 65 take home packs. Councilman Cameron Ross moved to allow usage of the Big Spring Park Pavilion for a Cotter Back Pack Program Fundraiser with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray. **Motion passed unanimously.**

INFORMATION

During information, Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read the City of Cotter 2019-1 Semi Annual Report: Inventory Purchased/Retired through 6/30/19 into meeting minutes as exhibit A. Mayor Caradine updated citizens on Cotter's 2nd Annual BBQ Contest, Car Show, and Duck Race on Saturday August 31, 2019. A Public Hearing was set for July 30, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, and the First Baptist Church of Cotter was recognized for serving as the hosts after the meeting.

SIGN-UP SHEET REQUESTS

1) Susan Lanning addressed Council on behalf of the 1st Baptist Church of Cotter. She shared the history of the church, and their continued support of the City of Cotter. She recognized the members in attendance and their efforts in serving as meeting hosts.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Chuck Sugg was happy to see everyone out in attendance tonight.

Councilwoman Kerry Ann White apologized for being late and appreciates the men and woman organizing the Back Pack program fundraiser and their efforts to see that no child goes hungry while not at school.

Councilman Nathan Buck thanked everyone for their attendance and appreciates the Dream Riders for giving back to the community and everything they do. He thanked the Gassville Baptist Church for continuing their work for the City of Cotter.

Councilwoman Mertice Kray thanked everyone for coming and appreciates receiving information on what types of food are needed for the program. She is grateful for the support of not only the Dream Riders, but the Gassville Baptist Church in this program.

Councilman Cameron Ross thanked everyone for their attendance and appreciates what Thresh Hold Ministries are doing with the back pack program as well as the Cotter Baptist Church for their efforts in the program as well. He also thanks them for hosting the meeting.

Councilman John Bell appreciates everyone coming out and is looking forward to the 2nd Annual BBQ Contest.

Mayor Caradine appreciates everyone's attendance.

AUDIENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

1) Beth Hill from Gassville Baptist Church shared she had been involved with the Back Pack program since it started and continues to support the program.

ORIGINAL

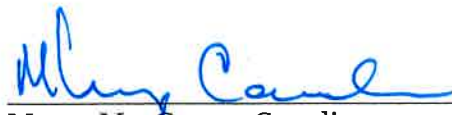
2) Lana Smith shared that they are trying to expand the food room at the Gassville Baptist Church. She also mentioned the ALL Cotter Alumni Reunion on August 31, 2019, at 1:00 pm at the NAYC.

3) Nathan Buck encouraged citizens and council alike to support local businesses become better stewards in the support of those in the City of Cotter. He also thanked Andrea Kray on her student's achievements at the National FBLA Conference.

4) Andrea Kray shared that 13 Cotter FBLA students attended the National FBLA Leadership Conference in San Antonio, TX, earlier in the month and that 4 students placed in the Top 10 in the nation. Our students represented our community very well at this national event.

Councilman Cameron Ross moved to adjourn with a second provided by Councilman Nathan Buck. **Motion passed unanimously.** Meeting ended at 6:43 p.m.

APPROVED:



Mayor MacGeorge Caradine

ATTEST:



Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray

ORIGINAL