

**COTTER CITY
COTTER COUNCIL MINUTES
June 25, 2020
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 Caradine. He asked for roll call by Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray. Present were: Council Members Chuck Sugg, Kerry Ann White, Carolyn Gill, Mertice Kray, and Cameron Ross. Councilman John Bell was absent.

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

REPORTS

Approval of the May 28, 2020, regular minutes was the first item of business. Councilman Cameron Ross moved to accept the minutes as written from Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Public Works Report was given by Justin Morrow.

Fire Department Report was given by Chief Lyle Jack.

Police Department Report was given by Officer Daniel Quilhout.

Building Permit Report was given by Andrea Kray.

There was no Planning & Zoning Commission Report.

Cotter/Gassville Sewer Commission Report was given by Councilwoman Kerry Ann White

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

In the first order of New Business, Brian Haas presented to Council the 2019 Water/Sewer Audit findings. He explained findings concerning current rates. He expressed that the City spent a little more money than what was brought in this year due to the new meter project as well as the purchase of a new truck for the department. Overall, it was a clean audit, and the City's water records were in good standing.

In the second order of New Business, Council was asked to consider Resolution 2020-06: A Resolution to enter into a Legal Service Agreement with Roger Morgan for Phase II Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read the resolution in its entirety. Councilwoman Mertice Kray moved to pass Resolution 2020-06: A Resolution to enter into a Legal Service Agreement with Roger Morgan for Phase II Sewer Rehabilitation Project with a second provided by Councilman Cameron Ross. **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the third order of New Business, Council was asked to consider Ordinance 2020-03: An Ordinance establishing Rules Regulations and Fees for Walnut Hill Cemetery. Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read Ordinance 2020-03 in its entirety. Mayor Caradine predicts at least 10 years or more for space, but the city does need to acquire surrounding property to expand. Councilman Chuck Sugg moved to place Ordinance 2020-03: An Ordinance establishing Rules Regulations and Fees for Walnut Hill Cemetery on its first reading by title only with a second provided by Councilwoman Kerry Ann White. **Motion passed unanimously.** Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read Ordinance 2020-03 by title only.

Councilman Chuck Sugg moved to place Ordinance 2020-03: An Ordinance establishing Rules Regulations and Fees for Walnut Hill Cemetery on its second reading by title only with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray. **Motion passed unanimously.** Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read Ordinance 2020-03 by title only.

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Councilwoman Mertice Kray moved to place Ordinance 2020-03: An Ordinance establishing Rules Regulations and Fees for Walnut Hill Cemetery on its third reading by title only with a second provided by Councilman Chuck Sugg. **Motion passed unanimously.** Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read Ordinance 2020-03 by title only.

Councilman Chuck Sugg moved to pass Ordinance 2020-03: An Ordinance establishing Rules Regulations and Fees for Walnut Hill Cemetery with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray. **Motion passed unanimously.** Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray stated that with this passage the Ordinance will go into effect 30 days from passage.

In the fourth order of New Business, Council considered Ordinance 2020-04: An Ordinance for establishing Speed Limits inside the City of Cotter. Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read Ordinance 2020-04 in its entirety. Councilman Cameron Ross moved to place Ordinance 2020-04: An Ordinance for establishing Speed Limits inside the City of Cotter on its first reading by title only with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray. **Motion passed unanimously.** Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read Ordinance 2020-04 by title only.

Councilman Chuck Sugg moved to place Ordinance 2020-04: An Ordinance for establishing Speed Limits inside the City of Cotter on its second reading by title only with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray. **Motion passed unanimously.** Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read Ordinance 2020-04 by title only.

Councilwoman Kerry Ann White moved to place Ordinance 2020-04: An Ordinance for establishing Speed Limits inside the City of Cotter on its third reading by title only with a second provided by Councilman Chuck Sugg. **Motion passed unanimously.** Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray read Ordinance 2020-04 by title only.

Councilman Chuck Sugg moved to pass Ordinance 2020-04: An Ordinance for establishing Speed Limits inside the City of Cotter with a second provided by Councilwoman Kerry Ann White. **Motion passed unanimously.** Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray stated that with this passage the Ordinance will go into effect 30 days from passage.

In the fifth order of New Business, Mayor Caradine announced the resignation of Billy Gaines from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mayor Caradine will be accepting applications for the next two weeks from any in interested citizen of Cotter.

INFORMATION

During information, Mayor Caradine announced movie in the park was well received and thanked Kammi Nazarenko and Linda McCarthy for providing water and popcorn. The next on movie will be held on July 31, 2020. Mayor Caradine also stated the Jeff Magness had contacted the city about the possible development of property on Section Line Road for single family residence. Mayor Caradine stated that an all call had been sent out to city residents pertaining to the new fireworks ordinance. Approximately \$80,000 (\$50,000 from a grant and \$30,000 from the NAYC Board) has been received to start the renovation of the tennis courts at the NAYC. Mayor Caradine also stated that a budget resolution would be needed to close out the Siren Grant. He thanked the Fire Department Auxiliary for the \$1,390 donation that will be used for replacement Elkhart Nozzles. Councilwoman Carolyn Gill asked about the \$15,000 grant monies for the former Depot Building project. Mayor Caradine stated that those funds had been re-obligated to the remodel of the bathrooms at Big Springs Park which is currently on pause due to COVID-19. There were no hosts after the meeting.

SIGN-UP SHEET REQUESTS

No sign-up sheet requests.

AUDIENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

No public comments.

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COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Chuck Sugg was glad to see everyone.

Councilwoman Kerri Ann White was glad to see everyone was well.

Councilwoman Carolyn Gill had no comment.

Councilwoman Mertice Kray was glad that everyone could be together and commended Council on passing the Ordinances earlier in the meeting.

Councilman Cameron Ross stated it was good to see everyone.

Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray suggested making a Facebook or website post about the timeline of installation and notification of the replacement as well as thanking Paul Worman for his donation of materials and time in the replacement process.

Mayor Caradine shared there was a lot going on in Cotter and the rope swing is projected to be installed by the July 4th holiday weekend. Justin Morrow gave a rope update stating that it will have steel eyelet and wont fray.

Councilman Cameron Ross moved to adjourn with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray.

Motion passed unanimously. Meeting ended at 7:14 p.m.

APPROVED:



Mayor MacGeorge Caradine

ATTEST:



Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray

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