

## HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**August 14, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Haskell City Hall on Monday, August 14, 2017.

Mayor Lyman led the Pledge of Allegiance; prayer was given by Rose Marie Wilkinson.

ROLL CALL: Aldermen present were Jennifer Hill, Roy Carman, Jeff Harrison, Rose Marie Wilkinson, Hal Baker, Ronnie Ballard, Dallas Wright and James Scroggins. Also present was Mayor Janie Lyman, Recorder Dori Lyman, Chief Michael Hardester, Wade Simmons, Fire Chief Brian Cotten, Deanna and Tom Rogers, Rhonda Terry , Barbara Rieben, Katy Hill, Mike Krebs, Brian Johnson, Jerry and Emaline Stroud and Jeff and Cindy Hollaway.

Mayor Lyman declared a quorum present, and called for the reading of the minutes of the July 10, 2017 meeting. Ronnie Ballard made the motion, seconded by Jennifer Hill, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**WATER/SEWER** The report was given by Wade Simmons; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

**STREETS** The AHC Work Release will be here on August 21, 2017 to help clean ditches.

**FIRE & RESCUE** The report was given by Chief Brian Cotten, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. On July 27, 2017 ISO came to do a survey-the first in 14 years. Results will be back in 2 to 3 months. They did speak highly of our records and equipment.

**POLICE** The report was given by Chief Mike Hardester; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

**COURT** Mayor Lyman gave the court report; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT** Mayor Lyman gave the report; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

**PLANNING** A copy of the minutes was provided to the Council for review; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

**PARKS** A copy of the minutes was provided to the Council for review; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RESIGNATION FROM ROSE MARIE WILKINSON**

**Rose Marie Wilkinson tendered her resignation as Councilman for Ward 2, Position 1 effective this date.**

**Resumes were received from Rhonda Terry and Deanna Rogers for this open position. A ballot form of vote was taken. Ronnie Ballard abstained from voting. Ballots were counted; Rhonda Terry won the seat with a 4-3 vote. Rhonda Terry was sworn in and took her seat at the Council table.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ORDINANCE 03-2017 AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A TAX ON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF HASKELL, ARKANSAS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**Jennifer Hill made the motion to have the first reading, heading only, of Ordinance 03-2017, motion was seconded by Jeff Harrison. Recorder Dori Lyman read the heading only of Ordinance 03-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Jennifer Hill made the motion, seconded by Hal Baker, to suspend the rules and waive the second and third reading of Ordinance 03-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.**

**Jennifer Hill made the motion, seconded by Hal Baker, to approve Ordinance 03-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.**

**ORDINANCE 04-2017 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CERTAIN WATER/SEWER ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**Jennifer Hill made the motion to have the first reading, heading only, of Ordinance 04-2017, motion was seconded by James Scroggins.**

**Recorder Dori Lyman read the heading only of Ordinance 04-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Jennifer Hill made the motion, seconded by James Scroggins, to suspend the rules and waive the second and third reading of Ordinance 04-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Jennifer Hill made the motion, seconded by Rhonda Terry, to approve Ordinance 04-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.**

**ORDINANCE 05-2017 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 03-1989 SETTING SEWER RATES AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 02-1994 SETTING WATER RATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING NEW RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE BY THE CITY OF HASKELL, ARKANSAS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**At the June 12, 2017 Council meeting the water/sewer audit was accepted unanimously by the Council, however the decision regarding future water rates was tabled until the July 10, 2017 meeting.**

**At the July 10, 2017 Council meeting, based on information provided regarding possible new rate increases, Jeff Harrison made the motion, seconded by Roy Carman to increase the rates. A Roll Call vote was taken; Ronnie Ballard, Dallas Wright, and James Scroggins were absent, Hal Baker voted NO, Jennifer Hill, Roy Carman, Jeff Harrison, Rose Marie Wilkinson, and Mayor Lyman voted YES, and the motion passed. Therefore the above Ordinance 05-2017 was presented at the August meeting.**

**At the August meeting, after a very lengthy discussion, Roy Carman made the motion to void Ordinance 05-2017, seconded by Ronnie Ballard. The motion**

**passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Roy Carman made the motion to keep the current water/sewer rates, motion seconded by Jeff Harrison. The motion passed by a roll call vote.**

**Mayor Janie Lyman will be present a new Ordinance at the September meeting.**

**AN AFFIDAVIT FROM BRENDA MASHBURN, HASKELL DISTRICT COURT CLERK,  
FOR APPROVAL TO DESTROY 37 UNIFORM TRAFFIC CITATION BOOKS THAT  
WERE ISSUED IN 2011-2013**

**Roy Carman made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Ballard, to approve the affidavit for the destruction. The motion passed unanimously by yeas vote. Jennifer Hill volunteered to be present for the destruction.**

**MONTHLY INCOME AND EXPENSES REPORTS WERE PRESENTED TO COUNCIL  
FOR THEIR REVIEW.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Drive-Thru Low Cost Shot Clinic September 9, 2017 from 12pm to 4 pm at  
Harmony Grove School Parking Lot**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**There being no further comments or questions, the meeting was adjourned.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Dori Lyman, Recorder**