Minutes, March 19, 2024

The City Council met in the board room at city hall on March 19, 2024 at 7 p.m.; attending were City Clerk Raven Oglesby, Chief Richard Black, guest Bob Johnson and Correspondent Felicity Homan for Pickens County Herald.

Call to Order - Mayor Davis called meeting to order.

Invocation – Councilmember Richardson lead us in prayer.

Roll Call – City Clerk Oglesby called roll: Mayor Davis, present; District 1 Councilmember Taggart, present; District 2 Councilmember Hagan, present; District 3 Councilmember Richardson, present; District 4 Councilmember Wheat, present; District 5 Councilmember Giles, present.

Minutes of February 20, 2024 were approved with a motion by Councilmember Giles; a second by Councilmember Richardson and motion passed with all ayes.

Payables –City Clerk Oglesby presented payables in the amount of \$237,318.86 for February 21, 2024 thru March 19, 2024. Councilmember Giles made motion to approve the payables; a second from Councilmember Richardson and motion passed with all ayes.

Old Business:

Ambulance Service New Monthly Fee Agreement (\$2082.40) – Mayor Davis discussed that Ron Bolton, the Commissioners and Mayors met last Friday, but she was absent, to discuss an affordable fee agreement. A \$2082.40, monthly agreement for Reform was discussed, and this would take place till the end of the fiscal year and then a reevaluation would take place. It was discussed that there may be a possibility of a tag increase, sale's tax increase or water increase. Councilmember Hagan stated he was not for the water increase. Council discussed they were for the tag increase. Councilmember Hagan made motion to approve the monthly fee agreement to the ambulance service in the amount of \$2082.40 until the end of the fiscal year and then re-evaluate; a second from Councilmember Giles and motion passed with all ayes.

Street Name Change – Councilmember Richardson ask that the street 4th Ave SE from 10th Ave to the railroad name be changed to Willie Lee Davis Street. Councilmember Richardson made motion to approve 4th Ave SE from 10th Ave to the railroad name change to Willie Lee Davis Street; a second from Councilmember Giles, and motion passed with all ayes.

New Business:

Mainstreet Lighting – Mayor Davis discussed that she received a quote from Rogers Electrical Services LLC in the amount of \$13,248.60 to hang lights from one end to the other. Councilmember Giles made motion to approve Rogers Electrical Services LLC to hang lights on Mainstreet; a second from Councilmember Richardson, and motion passed with all ayes. Councilmember Wheat asked that he check the light pole's while he is here.

Zoning Board – Mayor Davis announced that our zoning board consisted of one person at this time which was Jerry Wallace and ask that the council find more people to be on the board.

Public Comments – Guest Bob Johnson ask for potting soil and plants for planters. Mayor Davis informed him that we now pay all utility bills for the library and they still receive their monthly check so they should have the extra funds to pay for things they may need.

Reports and Request – Councilmember Giles advised that the water repairs on 9th have left the road in bad shape and it needs to be repaired. Councilmember Wheat asked about paving on Gladny. Chief Black advised that we get a load of coal and several gallons of tar.

Adjournment – Mayor Davis advised the meeting was adjourned until April 16, 2024.

Respectively Submitted, Raven Oglesby, City Clerk