Minutes of the Regular Farmington City Council Meeting April 8th, 2019

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday, April 8th, 2019 was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Ernie Penn. City Clerk Kelly Penn called the roll and the following Council Members answered to their names: Sherry Mathews, Abigail Spinks, Keith Lipford, Linda Bell, Brenda Cunningham, Bobby Morgan, Diane Bryant and Shelly Parsley. Also present were City Business Manager Melissa McCarville and City Attorney Steve Tennant. Mayor Penn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments from Citizens – Melissa Branch, 278 Pine Meadow, she has had an issue with the music being too loud at Brand New Church since July 2018. She would like to request the city have a noise ordinance. She advised there were several other neighbors who are upset and wanted to speak but the ball game was on tonight so they couldn't come. She would like for them to be on the agenda at the May meeting. She was also concerned that her personal contact information had been given out to someone at the church. City Business Manager McCarville told her all that information is subject to FOI if a complaint is filed.

Shannon O'Dell, Pastor Brand New Church, told the council that the church had ordered sound proof panels and sub-woofer containers to help with the noise. They had been ordered some time ago and are due to be installed this week. The church has hired Springdale Acoustics to test decimal readings and address the sound issues. He said some of the sound causing the problem is called shadow sound, sound carries thru the sewer T, which they have one behind the loading dock at the back of the church, which causes the decibels to go thru the cul-de-sac on Pine Meadow. The church holds music rehearsals at 7:30 am on Sunday and they have two services, music is over by approximately 11:45 am on Sundays.

Tiffany Rogers – 475 Browning Circle – Twin Falls. She informed the council she wanted to speak about pollution, specifically along HWY 62, lots of recyclables. They do not have lids for the recycle bins from waste management, would like to see the city have this negotiated for our residents, it would cut down on things blowing out of the bins. She would like the city to explore a green initiative to support recycling.

Approval of the minutes for the March 11th, 2019, Regular City Council Meeting. On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Cunningham and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the minutes were approved as presented 8-0.

Financial Reports – Mayor Penn presented the financial reports.

Entertain a motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only. On the motion of Council Member Lipford and a second by Council Member Morgan and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only was approved 8-0.

Proclamations, Special Announcements, Committee/Commission Appointments. Committee

Reports - Police Chief Hubbard introduced 2 new officers, Dylan Crutchfield and Michael

McCaslin.

Committee Reports – All committee reports were included in the council packets.

Items to be removed from City of Farmington Inventory - None

Old Business - NONE

New Business

Jeff Hatley with Ozark Regional Transit to present periodic report. Mr. Hatley reported that since the 2017 fire that devastated the fleet, ridership had been down for 2018 but was on the rise with an 8.2% increase so far for 2019. They received a grant to replace the final 12 buses from the fleet of 20 that were destroyed in the fire. The buses are on the assembly line as we speak, the recent government shutdown delayed the processing. Ozark Regional Transit is also building a new hub facility and they are partnering with Razorback Transit to increase ridership. Routes will soon be available on google maps so riders can map out their route and bus transfers.

Mayor Penn recognized that Boy Scout Troop #555 Farmington Troop was present, they are working on their citizenship requirements for their Eagle Scout requirements.

Set public hearing date of May 13th at 6:00 pm to discuss Farmington Animal Control Regulations/Ordinance

City Attorney Tennant said he has reviewed the past ordinance and is making changes to keep current with Washington County animal contract requirements as well as looking at things larger metro areas are doing. He is specifically adding more clarification and increasing fines for repeat offenders. Vicious animals will also be addressed. We need to set a public hearing for citizen input to heard. We will then review and discuss what changes or additions need to be made and then will have the ordinance for review in June.

On the motion of Council Member Spinks and a second by Council Member Lipford and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to set a public hearing

date of May 13th at 6:00 PM to discuss Farmington Animal Control Regulations was approved 8-0.

Request approval to accept bid on improvements to Clyde Carnes Road. On the motion of Council Member Bell and a second by Council Member Mathews and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve the contract for improvements to Clyde Carnes Road by Hutchens Construction in the amount of \$143,814.30 was approved 8-0.

Ordinance 2019-02 An Ordinance rezoning lots 1D and 1E of tract 1A of Twin Falls Addition, Phase 1 on HWY 62 from C-2, highway commercial, R-1 residential single family, as requested by Twin Falls Development LLC. On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Parsley and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve Ordinance 2019-02 was approved 8-0. City Attorney Tennant read Ordinance 2019-02. A motion to approve the Emergency Clause for Ordinance 2019-02 was made by Council Member Bell and seconded by Council Member Cunningham, after a roll call vote, it was approved by all members present.

There being no further business to come before the council and on the motion of Council Member Lipford and seconded by Council Member Cunningham and by the consent of all members present, the meeting adjourned at 6:54 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Monday May 13th, 2019 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved;

City Clerk Kelly Penn

Mayor Ernie Penn