The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council scheduled for Monday, March 12th, 2018 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: Patsy Pike, Sherry Mathews, Keith Lipford, Linda Bell, Brenda Cunningham, Bobby Morgan, Diane Bryant and Shelly Parsley. Also present was City Business Manager Melissa McCarville and City Attorney Tennant. Mayor Penn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Comments from Citizens** – None

Approval of the minutes for the February 12th, 2018 regular meeting of the city council. On the motion of Council Member Lipford and seconded by Council Member Cunningham and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the minutes for the meeting 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 Bryant and seconded 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

Mayor Penn announced the Farmington Fire Department Pancake Breakfast would be held Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup>. City Fireworks display this year will be Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup>.

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

Items to be removed from City of Farmington Inventory - NONE

#### **New Business**

### Request approval to purchase 2018 Dodge Charger Police Unit

Chief Hubbard advised this was a budgeted item and asked for permission to purchase a 2018 Dodge Charger for \$40,000.00. On the motion of Council Member Bryant and seconded by Council Member Cunningham and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll

call vote, the Council approved the purchase of a 2018 Dodge Charger in the amount of \$40,000.00 by an 8 -0 vote.

## Request approval of purchase contract for 7 acres from Farmington School District.

Mayor Penn reported to the council the Farmington School Board approved the purchase contract in the amount of \$157,500.00

On the motion of Council Member Bell 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 the contract to purchase the land from Farmington School District for \$157,500.00 was approved by a vote of 8-0.

# Request approval for the appropriation of \$25,000.00 dedicated to support the Farmington Senior Center.

Mayor Penn advised the city wanted to increase funding of our senior center due to the usage and need for services. This was not a budgeted item but going forward in the following years it will be. The \$25,000 will be used in the following capacity: \$10,000 for the Directors Salary, \$10,000 for a Driver and \$5000.00 for an exercise instructor. On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Bell and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion to approve the \$25,000 to fund the senior center was approved by a vote of 8-0.

Ordinance No. 2018-04 An Ordinance to establish policy and procedures for the purchase of property and services in accordance with Ark. Code Ann 14-58-303, repealing all previous ordinances in conflict herewith, and for other purchases.

After much discussion, Council Member Bryant, with regards to section 4 of the ordinance, made a motion to have the word extended added in front of the word absence. On the motion of Council Member Bryant and a second by Council Member Parsley a roll call vote was taken and the following council members voted YES, Pike, Bell, Bryant, Parsley. The following Council Members voted NO, Mathews, Lipford, Cunningham, Morgan. The vote tied 4-4. Mayor Penn voted NO to break the tie and the motion failed.

Council Member Morgan made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance in full on 3 different dates be suspended and that Ordinance 2018-04 is to be read one time by title only. It was seconded by Council Member Cunningham, and by the consent of all Council Members present after a roll call vote, the motion was approved 8-0. Mayor Penn asked shall the ordinance pass? After a roll call vote it was approved by all those present 8-0.

A motion was made by Council Member Morgan and seconded by Council Member Cunningham to pass Ordinance 2018-02 with an emergency clause. After a roll call vote, it was approved by all those present 8-0.

There being no further business to come before the council and on the motion of Council Member Bryant and seconded by Council Member Lipford and by the consent of all members present, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Monday April 9th, 2018 at in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, located at 354 West Main Street, Farmington, Arkansas.

Approved;

City Clerk Kelly Penn

Mayor Ernie Penn