

CAVE SPRING CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2017
6:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE Mayor Dennis Shoaf and Councilmembers Tom Lindsey, Michael Phillips, Nellie McCain, Charles Jackson, and Mike Ragland were present.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Shoaf called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION Councilmember Mike Ragland led the invocation.

PLEDGE TO AMERICAN FLAG Councilmember Nellie McCain led the pledge to the American Flag.

CITIZENS Joyce Perdue Smith, Fairview School, addressed the council stating a wonderful marketing plan is in place for the school. An application for a Certified Local Government Grant of \$22,000 is being prepared to help with the \$42,150 stabilization cost of the school. A match of \$8,000 is required with \$14,000 being funded by Fairview School funds. Ms. Smith requested partnering with Rome, Floyd County, and Cave Spring with each entity donating \$2,666.66. The restoration of the school would stimulate economic growth for the city. The money needs to be in place by the end of the month. Councilmember Lindsey stated the council is meeting with the auditor in the next couple of weeks concerning the city finances. Currently the city is spending a lot of money and he is not sure about participation at this time. There are severe problems with the sewer system that need to be addressed and other pending projects. Currently he does not feel the council is in position to give an answer until after the meeting with the auditor.

Winifred Morrow, AHHAS, stated she supported Fairview School 100%.

Martha Crowe, D.D.A. a member of the special events committee and Bacon-fest coordinator, addressed the council. The D.D.A. sponsored Bacon-fest will be held April 29 at the community center. Contenders pay to put bacon dishes in the competition. On behalf of the D.D.A. she is requesting permission to sell beer and wine at the event. This is a major fundraiser and she is approaching distributors to donate beer and wine. There will be a designated area for consumption and a police officer will be present. She stated it will be a fun, safe, money making event. She will need to have approval by the middle of February.

Wayne Coursey, 15 Alabama Street, stated he is having a right of way problem at Broad Street and River Street. The alley is blocked and property he owns is landlocked. The attorney will research this problem.

Jo Ann Hulsey, 27 Padlock Mountain Road, stated there are potholes in Padlock Road and the sewer cap turns make a loud noise when a vehicle runs over it. The Mayor stated he would look into this situation.

Bernice Howell, 24 River Street, addressed the council on behalf of Jewell Townsend, 19 River Street. She stated when it rains water from the road floods her yard and would like something done about this. The Mayor stated he would look into this situation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to approve the past minute. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion. All voted yes.

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- REPORTS All reports were presented in written form. MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to accept the reports. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion. All voted yes.
- DAY CARE REPORT The average daily attendance was 22 and enrollment was 41.
- D.D.A. REPORT Activities and projects included After Hours Coffee Break at Linde Marie' and Pre-Legislative Breakfast attended by Director, Mayor, and Councilmembers Lindsey and Ragland. January 26 coffee break will be held at Cave Spring Manor at 9:00 a.m. Nomination to Southern Flavor was made to Explore Georgia Culinary Flavor Tours for category of fried chicken. Creekside building is still for sale or lease and D.D.A's purchased café building will be cleaned, renovations completed, and advertised to sell or lease. Filming will take place in Cave Spring for 3 segments for the Library Channel in Rome. Recent Cave Spring recognitions have been made in magazines according to D.D.A. director. Sidewalks continue to be installed with LMIG monies.
- POLICE REPORT For the month of December one citation was issued and 23 warnings issued. There were 70 dispatched calls.
- COURT REPORT Fines levied for December totaled \$1,360 and totaled collected was \$785.00.
- FIRE REPORT Total calls answered for December was 30 with 43.6% in Cave Spring and 56.6% in the county.
- ADJUSTMENTS MOTION: Councilmember Phillips made the motion to approve the adjustments. Councilmember Lindsey seconded the motion. All voted yes.
- MOTION TO PAY BILLS MOTION: Councilmember Phillips made the motion to pay the bills. Councilmember Lindsey seconded the motion. All voted yes.
- OLD BUSINESS
- RETIREMENT ORDINANCE MOTION: Councilmember Jackson made the motion to put on 2nd reading the retirement ordinance. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion. All voted yes.
- NEW BUSINESS
- APPOINTMENTS FOR 2017 MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to appoint the following:
ATTORNEY – Brinson Askew Berry
AUDITOR – Jim Finney and Associates
ENGINEER – Georgia and West
FIRE CHIEF – Randy Lacey
JUDGE – Steve Burkhalter
CITY CLERK – Judy Dickinson
Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. All voted yes.
- APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to appoint Councilmember Mike Ragland as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion. All voted yes.

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CHECK
SIGNATURES

MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to add Councilmember McCain to the check signature list at United Community Bank. Councilmember Phillips seconded the motion. All voted yes.

HOLIDAY
DESIGNATIONS

MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to designate Good Friday and Veterans' Day as the extra employee holidays. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips. All voted yes.

QUALIFYING FEES
ELECTION 2017

MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to set the qualifying fees for the upcoming council post openings of Post 3, 4, and 5 at \$45 with qualifying taking place August 21, 22, and 23 and election being held November 7, 2017. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. All voted yes. This announcement will be run in Rome News Tribune before February 1, 2017.

POLICE
DEPARTMENT

The Mayor reported another full-time patrolman is needed in the Police Department. Since this expenditure is not a budgeted item this expense will come out of savings. MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to hire another full-time patrolman with the expense coming from savings. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips. All voted yes.

VOTE TO ADD TO
AGENDA

MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to add to the agenda D.D.A. appointments. All voted yes.

D.D.A.
VACANCIES

Councilmember Lindsey stated according to the D.D.A. schedule there will be four vacancies on the board beginning March 2017. MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey made the motion to request the D.D.A. director to post the vacancies. Councilmember Jackson seconded the motion. All voted yes.

ADJOURN

The Mayor adjourned the meeting.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

DATE