

Cherry Valley City Council Meeting
Cherry Valley City Hall
166 Highway 1B
Cherry Valley, AR 72324
November 14, 2023, at 6:00 pm

Call to order of City Council meeting at 6:00 pm meeting.

Mayor Adam Love	Present
Council Member Earnest Meredith	Present
Council Member Thomas Wilson	Present
Council Member James DeWitt	Present
Council Member Ricky Lace	Present

Others Present:

Recorder Treasurer Stacey Bennett
Fire Chief Shane Bell
Police Chief Jamie Walls

Visitors:

The meeting was opened with prayer by Council Member James DeWitt.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

Council Member DeWitt made a motion to approve the October 10, 2023, city council minutes; Council Member Wilson seconded the motion. Motion passed 4 for 0

Financials

Council Member DeWitt made a motion to approve the October 2023 financials; Council Member Meredith seconded the motion. Motion passed 4 for 0

Water

Arkansas Department of Health completed the sanitary survey with no issues.

2024 Fiscal Year Budget

1st reading of the 2024 Fiscal Year Budget was presented.

Police

Body and dash camera installation and training was completed last week. The vest should be in within 2 weeks. When an officer engages the lights, door is triggered, or gun is released from the holster the cameras start recording. In the event of a pursuit Chief Walls can view the live footage on his phone, or computer and call the pursuit. The officers have the option to bookmark certain events with the cameras and review it later. If a citizen or business has camera footage, Chief Walls can send a link for the footage to be uploaded automatically to the case file. A link can be emailed to an attorney or prosecutor for them to have access to the information in the case file, including all camera footage. Mapping is accessible within the system. Chief Walls can go to google earth and upload a layout of a school, business, or property, etc and show the layout in case of an emergency. The body cameras can take pictures and videos and will be automatically uploaded to the case file. If an officer goes down for a certain length of time it will send an alert to Chief Walls. Chief Walls can view the situation from his phone or computer. Chief Walls can send a text to the camera and the camera will read it out loud for the officer.

Fire

New lights have been installed in the fire station. Santa Night will be December 5, 2023, after the parade at 7 pm.

The firemen have requested to stop renting out the station due to the public having access to the apparatus and fire equipment and being a liability.

Council Member DeWitt made a motion to stop renting out the fire station; Council Member Wilson seconded the motion. Motion passed 4 for 0

The council goes to executive session at 6:55 pm for personnel.

Council back from executive session at 7:05 pm for personnel.

Bonus

Mayor Love requested to give Stacey Bennett (General) and Jamie Walls (General) a \$2,800.00 net bonus, Terrie Hess-Chappell (General), Shane Bell (Fire) \$1,400.00 net bonus, and Sidney Pendley (General) \$500.00 net bonus.

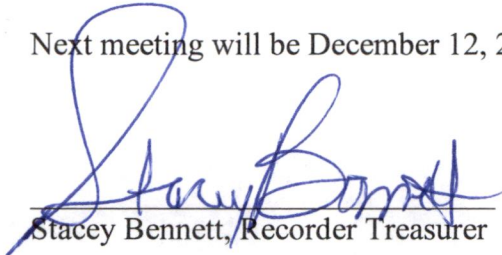
On a motion made by council member DeWitt, seconded by council member Wilson to give the employees a bonus as follows: Stacey Bennett (General) and Jamie Walls (General) a \$2,800.00 net bonus, Terrie Hess-Chappell (General), Shane Bell (Fire) \$1,400.00 net bonus, and Sidney Pendley (General) \$500.00 net bonus.

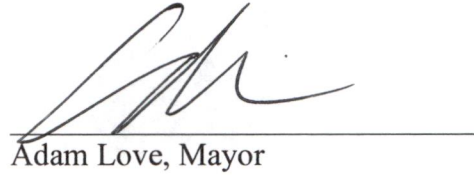
The bonus is to be issued on November 17, 2023, payroll. Motion passed 4 for 0 against

Adjournment

On a motion made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Meredith to adjourn at 7:14 pm. Motion passed 4 for 0 against

Next meeting will be December 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.


Stacey Bennett, Recorder Treasurer


Adam Love, Mayor

Minutes approved on this 12th day of December, 2023.

