

Cherry Valley City Council Meeting
Cherry Valley City Hall
166 Highway 1B
Cherry Valley, AR 72324
November 9, 2021

On November 9, 2021, the City of Cherry Valley meet for its regular City Council meeting. Present were Mayor Adam Love, Council Member Heather Harris, Council Member Earnest Meredith, Council Member James DeWitt, Council Member Thomas Wilson, Recorder Treasurer Stacey Bennett

Visitors: William White, Cliff Hart Candidate for State Senate

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

Pledge of Allegiance

On a motion made by Council Member DeWitt, seconded by Council Member Harris to approve the October 12, 2021, minutes as read. 4 for 0 against

On a motion made by Council Member Meredith, seconded by Council Member Wilson to approve the Financial Statement and paying of bills. 4 for 0 against

Street – Rickey Pierce Sr., was hired to mow around the city before winter.

Police – Chief Jamie Walls completed a demo on the Wolfcom body cams and dash cams for the patrol units. Chief Walls was pleased with the demo cameras. The cost will be approximately \$10,000.00 for both units. Eric Moore was hired as a Part Time officer.

Fire – Chief Shane Bell informed the council the rescue should be back in service by the end of the week. Lieutenant Dennis Clayton will be retiring as of December 1, 2021, from the fire department.

Water – Entergy has started the electrical process to the lift station on Martin Drive. Once this step is complete the new pumps can be installed. The water department was granted \$101,516.00 from the county for sewer projects.

2022 Fiscal Year Budget – Recorder-Treasurer Stacey Bennett presented the 1st reading of the 2022 Fiscal Year Budget.

Animal Ordinance – Recorder-Treasurer Stacey Bennett presented Ordinance no 177 ***AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 117 AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING CERTAIN RULES AND REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE CARE AND KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND FOWL WITHIN THE CITY OF CHERRY VALLEY.***

On a motion by council member DeWitt, seconded by council member Harris to approve Ordinance No 177 ***AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 117 AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING CERTAIN RULES AND REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE CARE AND KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND FOWL WITHIN THE CITY OF CHERRY VALLEY. 4 for 0 against***

On a motion by council member DeWitt, seconded by council member Meredith to approve Ordinance No 177 ***AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 117 AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING CERTAIN RULES AND REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE CARE AND KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND FOWL WITHIN THE CITY OF CHERRY VALLEY. 4 for 0 against***

On a motion by council member DeWitt, seconded by council member Meredith to approve Ordinance No 177 ***AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 117 AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING CERTAIN RULES AND REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE CARE AND KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND FOWL WITHIN THE CITY OF CHERRY VALLEY. 4 for 0 against***

Council goes into executive session for personnel at 6:26 pm

Council back from executive session for personnel at 6:32 pm

Employees Raise & Bonus – Action was taken in executive session to give Stacey Bennett (Water) and Jamie Walls (General) a \$1,500.00 net bonus, Terrie Hess-Chappell (General), Shane Bell (Fire) \$600.00 net bonus, and William White (general) \$350.00 net bonus.

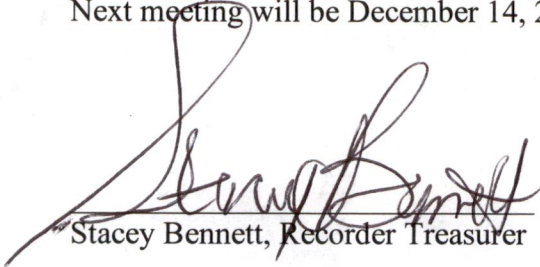
On a motion made by council member Meredith, seconded by council member Wilson to give the employees a bonus as follows: Stacey Bennett (Water) and Jamie Walls (General) a \$1,500.00 net bonus, Terrie Hess-Chappell (General), Shane Bell (Fire), and \$600.00 net bonus, William White (General) \$350.00 net bonus. The bonus is to be issued on the November 19, 2021, payroll. 4 for 0 against

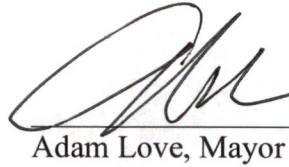
On a motion made by council member Meredith, seconded by council member Dewitt to give Jamie Walls, Stacey Bennett, and Terrie Hess-Chappell at 3% raise. The raise will go into effect on January 1, 2022. 4 for 0 against

On a motion made by council member Meredith, seconded by council member Harris to move Stacey Bennett's court salary (\$441.62 monthly for a possible \$5,299.44 annually & Stacey Bennett's zoning salary (\$75.00 monthly for a possible \$900.00 annually) in with her Administration Secretary Salary starting on January 1, 2022. 4 for 0 against

On a motion made by Council Member Wilson, seconded by Council Member Harris to adjourn at 6:40 pm. 4 for 0 against

Next meeting will be December 14, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.


Stacey Bennett, Recorder Treasurer


Adam Love, Mayor



Minutes approved on this 14 day of December, 2021.