

## Minutes October 20, 2015

The City of Dover in Pope County, State of Arkansas, met in regular session October 20, 2015, at the Dover City Hall. The following were present: Mayor Patrick Johnson presiding and the following alderpersons: Fred Standridge, Pat McAlister, Chris Loper, Roger Lee, Ila Anderson and Attorney Deidre Luker.

Absent: Carl Wetzel.

Prayer: Chris Loper.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Roger Lee.

The minutes of the September 15, 2015 council meeting were reviewed and there being no correction, Alderman Loper made motion to accept the minutes. Alderman Lee 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 5. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

The monthly bills were received and signed. Alderwoman McAlister made motion to approve payment of the bills. Alderman Loper 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 5. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Mayor Johnson said he has looked into other cities to see how they handle door to door sales. He stated most cities do not charge a fee for this but have a form they require the salesmen to fill out. Alderman Lee suggested we do an ordinance that states any door to door salesmen in the city would have to fill out a form and register at city hall prior to selling in the city and include a fine for not registering. He stated this would only enhance the safety of the residents. Alderman Standridge agreed. Attorney Luker is to research this and get back to the council next month.

Mayor Johnson asks if anyone had any questions or comments on the employee handbook he passed out last month. He stated his goal is to have the handbook in place at the beginning of 2016. He asks the council to get with him about any concerns.

Mayor Johnson said the ballpark improvements and the new concession stand are almost finished. There is \$47,614.00 left in the grant and we should be paying that out soon.

Mayor Johnson stated the rates for the Municipal Health Insurance will be decreasing for 2016.

Mayor Johnson told the council the Dover Housing Authority had a board consisting of 5 Dover residents. He said all but one board member has resigned. He said Russell Robinson is remaining on the board. Because of ACOP scores, HUD has recommended the Dover Housing Authority enter into a management agreement with Clarksville Housing Authority. Under this agreement, all management and maintenance functions will be handled by Clarksville Housing. Dover would continue to have a five member board of Dover residents. The Dover City Council would appoint the board members.

Alderman Loper made a motion, based on the recommendation of HUD, to enter into the agreement with Clarksville. Alderman Lee 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 5. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Ron Walker gave the council an update on the Planning Commission. He stated the individual that purchased the land on Center Street has put in a request to the Planning Commission to rezone the area from R-1 to R-2, in order to build duplexes (Maple Leaf Development) on the land. Ron stated the Planning Commission voted to approve the rezoning at the last meeting. The Planning Commission also suggested the City rezone the additional lots surrounding that specific area from R-1 to R-2. Alderman Loper made motion the city approves the Planning Commissions suggestion to rezone the proposed land for the Maple Leaf Development from R-1 to R-2. Alderwoman McAlister 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 5. Nays: 0. Motion Carried. Alderman Loper made motion the city rezone the additional lots surrounding

the proposed development from R-1 to R-2. Alderman Standridge 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 5. Nays: 0. Motion Carried. Ron Walker stated the Public Notice Meeting for this rezoning request will be held November 10, 2015, at Dover City Hall, 5:30 pm.

Ron Walker also stated that Linda Smith will be attending a Planning Commission Training the first week of November.

Donna Elliott gave the council a library update. She stated the donations are still coming in and storytime is expanding and going good. She mentioned they need artwork and props for the storytime and since funding has been cut she would appreciate any volunteers.

Yancy Poynter gave the Utility Report:

#### **WATER DEPT.**

- REPAIRED 3 LEAKS.
- RE WORKED 4 VALVES.
- REPLACED VALVE HWY 164 EAST.
- REPLACED 2 WATER SERVICES HWY 164 EAST.
- LOWERED MAIN NORTH MARKET.
- LOCATED VALVE WEST CAMP.
- HEALTH DEPT. CONDUCTED SANITARY SURVEY.
- CLEARED RIGHT OF WAYS.

#### **SEWER DEPT.**

- REPLACED A.R.V. SOUTH OF BAKERS CREEK.
- REPAIRED SEWER MAIN SEQUOYA DR.
- TERMINATED 3 SEWER SERVICES.
- REPAIRED MANHOLE SEQUOYA DR.
- CLEARED RIGHT OF WAYS.
- REPLACED 2 RELAYS L.S. # 2.

#### **STREET DEPT.**

- REPLACED CHAINS AND HARDWARE ON SWINGSCITYPARK.
- REPLACED TIRE SWING.

Fire Chief Tristan Teague gave the Fire Report. He stated there were 2 drills, 1 controlled burn and 1 fuel spill. Chief Teague said the Mac Pumper Truck is in need of repair. He got a quote for repairs which totaled \$32,000.00 and that would only be for a one year guarantee on the repairs.

Police Chief Barry Walker gave the monthly police report. There were 327 actual calls, 180 contacts, 413 property checks and 295 extra patrols. Chief Walker said Officer Leo Young is doing great after his

surgery. His doctor has said that normally this is a 12-15 week recovery; however Officer Young is doing so well he might be able to return to work after 6 weeks recovery.

Alderman Lee asks Ron Walker if the Planning Commission had heard anymore from the individual that wanted to put in a retirement home in Dover. Ron said no, he hasn't heard from the man lately.

Alderwoman McAlister made motion to adjourn. Alderwoman Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 5. Nays: 0. Meeting adjourned.

Regina Kilgore  
Recorder/Treasurer

Patrick Johnson  
Mayor

The undersigned certification of the City of Dover, Arkansas, hereby certifies the foregoing pages 1, 2 and 3 are true and correct copies of the meeting of the City Council at Dover City Hall, at 6:00 pm, on October 20, 2015.