

Minutes August 15, 2017

The City of Dover in Pope County, State of Arkansas, met in regular session August 15, 2017, at the Dover City Hall. The following were present: Mayor Patrick Johnson presiding and the following alderpersons: Pat McAlister, Chris Loper, Roger Lee, Ila Anderson, Carl Wetzels, Fred Standridge and Attorney Luker.

Prayer: Chris Loper

Pledge of Allegiance led by Regina Kilgore.

The minutes of the July 18, 2017 meeting were reviewed and there being no corrections, Alderman Lee made motion to accept the minutes. Alderman Standridge 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 6. 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: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Mayor Johnson stated that Animal Control is now totally the cities responsibility. Danny Moore is no longer animal catcher for the city. He said there has been no response from the public since the last council meeting regarding land for the city to use for animal control. The city has purchased a dog pen but has no land to put it on.

Mayor Johnson said he has had complaints on the Grady Freeman land on Hwy. 27. The council discussed that the Ordinance 2014-1 does state that if the owner of the land neglects to perform the duties in the ordinance, the city is authorized to clean up the land and can constitute a lien on the property. Attorney Luker is going to check into the process the city needs to follow and Mayor Johnson will get estimates on what it will cost to clean up the property.

Arkansas Valley Alliance for Economic Development made a presentation to the council with information for the city to join and get involved in area development.

Mayor Johnson stated there are two people requesting to hook up to the city water system. One is on Slabtown Road and one is on Library Road. After discussion, the council approved as long as the property owners pay for the line extensions.

Mayor Johnson stated the extension is complete to the stage at the city park. The Chamber paid \$5,000 for this improvement. The Mayor is currently working on getting electricity hook up to the stage area.

Sherry Simpson with the Library was not in attendance to give a report.

Ron Walker with the Planning Commission was in attendance but did not report.

Mayor Johnson presented Ordinance 2017-2 to the council. An Ordinance to amend Zoning Code Ordinance 2013-2. Alderman Lee made motion to place the Ordinance on first reading. Alderman Loper 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Attorney Luker read Ordinance 2017-2. Alderman Lee made motion to accept the Ordinance as read.

Alderwoman McAlister 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Yancy Poynter gave the Utility Report:

**WATER DEPT.**

- BACKFLOW TESTING COMPLETED.
- RAISED 5 VALVE BOXES.
- REPLACED THERMOSTAT BOOSTER STATION.

**SEWER DEPT.**

- GRINDER PUMP #2 BACK IN SERVICE.
- INSTALLED 1 SERVICE.
- REWORKED 1 SERVICE.

**STREET DEPT.**

- REPLACED CITY LIMIT SIGN SINGLETON ROAD.
- WHALE BACK IN SERVICE.
- REPAIRED HANKINS DRIVE.
- REPAIRED SIDEWALK RUFF STREET.

Fire Chief Tristan Teague stated there was 1 false alarm at the school and 13 drills for the month. He stated the firemen payroll is included in the July expenditures.

Chief Barry Walker gave the police report. He stated there were 466 total calls, 306 Contacts, 342 property checks and 224 extra patrols.

Alderwoman McAlister made motion to adjourn. Alderwoman Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Voice Vote. Yeas: 6. 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 and 2 are true and correct copies of the meeting of the City Council at Dover City Hall, 6 pm, August 15, 2017.