

CITY OF CHULA COUNCIL MEETING

January 15, 2024

The Chula Board of Alderman met in regular session on January 15, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Chula Community Center.

Those present were Alderman Benny Simpson, Alderman Randy Hamilton, Mayor John Graves, and City Clerk Ann Hamilton. Alderman Kyle Gramenz and Alderman Jeremy Bru were absent. There was a quorum present. Also, present were Kent Spainhour and Fred Oertwig.

Mayor John Graves called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Public Comment –

- The city received a thank you from the family of LH Hinnen that Ann left money for.

Approval of Agenda – Benny Simpson made a motion to approve the agenda with correction of the day from Monday to Thursday and Randy Hamilton seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Minutes – Randy Hamilton made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting and Benny Simpson seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Treasurers Report – Ann went over checks that were written for the Board to approve for payment. Randy Hamilton moved to approve the bills for payment and Benny Simpson seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Water and Sewer Report –

- Kent Spainhour sent a report on the water and sewer system.
 - He did not have time to make copies so he will turn in his paperwork later.
 - No discharge in January, but we did discharge in December.
 - Kent reported he will get information on the EPA requirements for the lead service line.
- Additional information –
 - Ann created a spreadsheet for the lead service line surveys but is not sure what information to include. She will send out surveys to customers that did not respond to the first survey once Kent talks to DNR.
 - The city did receive two more surveys.
 - Ten late fees were assessed to customers on December 28, 2023.
 - The new school building had high usage, but there was no sign of a leak at the meter.
 - Tabled the water and sewer tap fees discussion until the next meeting.

Street Report –

- Fred reported that not much has been done since it is winter.

Code Enforcement –

- Discussion was held about the code enforcement program that we can now be a part of. Randy Hamilton moved to put \$2,000.00 in the budget for code enforcement and Benny Simpson seconded. Motion carried 2-0.
- The board discussed areas of concern including the lots in the flats on Lee Street, the old blue trailer, the storage units, Miller House, the lots across from Ann Oertwig, and the property across from the school. The board wants to concentrate on tall weeds and grass first.
- Ann presented the board the new ordinance for City of Chula, Missouri, to enter into a memorandum of understanding with Green Hills Regional Planning Commission for Code Enforcement Services for the City of Chula, Missouri. Benny Simpson moved to approve Bill Number 2024-01-01-2024 an Ordinance for City of Chula, Missouri, to enter into a memorandum of understanding with Green Hills Regional Planning Commission for Code Enforcement Services for the City of Chula, Missouri. Randy Hamilton seconded. Motion carried 2-0. Randy Hamilton moved to read Bill Number 2024-01-01-2024 an Ordinance for the City of Chula, Missouri, to enter into a memorandum of understanding with Green Hills Regional Planning Commission for Code Enforcement Services for the City of Chula, Missouri by title only. Benny Simpson seconded. Motion carried 2-0. Benny Simpson moved to accept Bill Number 2024-01-01-2024 as Ordinance Number 2024-01 an Ordinance for City of Chula, Missouri, to enter into a memorandum of understanding with Green Hills Regional Planning Commission for Code Enforcement Services for the City of Chula, Missouri. Randy Hamilton seconded. Roll Call Vote: Benny Simpson – yes and Randy Hamilton – yes. Motion carried 2-0. A copy of the ordinance is attached to the minutes.

Park –

- None.

Community Center –

- Wayne Cunningham replaced all of the tiles that had water damage and the broken tile that the contractor broke when replacing the roof.
- Fran Haas's memorial was to the Community Center and the family wishes to purchase new chairs. The board thought this was a wonderful idea.
- Bonnett memorial was to the Community Center.
- Ann suggested that the community center purchase two wall mount poster swing displays. Ann is going to talk to Jason Graves and use the funds from his

memorial to purchase them since he was such a big historical person. The board also thought that was a great idea. Ann explained that we have a few patrons that wish to donate some items that can be displayed in the Community Center.

Other Business –

- None.

The next meeting will be held Monday, February 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., for their regular meeting.

There was no further business. Randy Hamilton made a motion to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. and Benny Simpson seconded. Motion carried 2-0. Meeting adjourned.

Ann Hamilton
Ann Hamilton, Chula City Clerk