



**CITY OF CENTERTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 14, 2023
6:00 PM**

(1) Pledge – The Pledge Allegiance was recited.

(2) Prayer – Todd Wright offered the prayer.

(3) Roll Call - Those Present and answering Roll Call were Mayor Bill Edwards, Keith Higginbotham, Darren Warren, Josie Reed, Misty Elam, Amy Rochette and Justin Cowgur (Remote). Those present and not answering Roll Call were City Clerk Todd Wright, City Attorney Brian Rabal, Assistant Financial Director Shannon Zappettini, City Engineer Alan Craighead, Planning Director Lorene Burns, Fire Chief Matt Thompson, Police Captain Chris Kelley, Fire Marshal Paul Higginbotham, Assistant Public Works Director Anthony Martinez, Chief Building Inspector Robert Coffelt, Director of Public Works Edgar Barroso and Parks Superintendent Josh Price.

(4) Council Minutes –

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to Approve the Minutes of the January 10, 2023 City Council Meeting, with a 2nd from Amy Rochette. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

CWSD, Planning Commission and Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Minutes –

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to Acknowledge Receipt of the Minutes of the December 20, 2022 CWSD Meeting; the January 3, 2023 and January 17, 2023 Planning Commission Meetings; and the November 7, 2022, January 9, 2023 and February 6, 2023 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meetings, with a 2nd from Misty Elam. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(5) City and Court Financials -

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, providing the Financial and Reports for January 2023. Revenue was at 8.41% and Expenses were at 6.55%.

The January 2023 Court Report was contained in the Council packets.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

Josie Reed made a motion to accept the January, 2023 City & Court Financials, with a 2nd from Misty Elam. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(6) Department Reports -

The Department Reports were in the Council Packets.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

(7) Public Comments –

Diana Allen – 201 Blake Drive – She asked about the reasons and processes for property annexations in the city. Mayor Edwards, City Clerk Todd Wright and Council Member Darren Warren responded.

Jenny Martin – 130 Napoli Lane – Made a brief presentation about a Centerton Senior Group for residents 55 and up.

(8) Ordinances –

Amy Rochette made a motion to Read Ordinances 2023-08, 2023-09, 2023-10, 2023-11, 2023-12, 2023-13 and 2023-14; and Resolutions 2023-05, 2023-06, 2023-07, 2023-08, 2023-09, 2023-10, 2023-11, 2023-12, 2023-13, 2023-14, 2023-15 and 2023-16 by Title only, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to Suspend the Rule Requiring the Reading on three (3) Separate Occasions for Ordinances 2023-08, 2023-09, 2023-10, 2023-11, 2023-12, 2023-13 and 2023-14, with a 2nd from Amy Rochette. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Ordinance 2023-08 - AN ORDINANCE AMMENDING CENTERTON MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 10.08.03 TITLED WATERWORKS AND SEWER COMMISSION COMPOSITION.**

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that this Ordinance is to amend the size of the Water & Sewer Commission from three (3) Members to five (5) Members.

Commissioner Robert Anderson addressed the Council stating how the openings will be posted. He also detailed the requirements for application. He said the deadline for applications will be 3/17/2023.

Council Member Warren asked if applicants could come from residents outside the city limits. Anderson said they could not, according to Stater Statute.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any other questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Ordinance by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor, and the motion carried.

- **Ordinance 2023-09 - AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CENTERTON CITY LIMITS, BELONGING TO HSK HOMES FROM MEDIUM-HIGH DENSITY MULTI FAMILY (R3-MF) TO MEDIUM HIGH DENSITY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R3-SF).**

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that this Ordinance is to rezone property on North D Street from (R3-MF) to (R3-SF). He detailed the results of the Planning Commission Meeting on 1/17/2023, where it was recommended unanimously for approval. A map of the property was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Ordinance by title only. Josie Reed made a motion to adopt the Ordinance with a 2nd from Darren Warren. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Ordinance 2023-10 - AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAT OF THE FEATHERSTON VILLAGE PHASE 2 SUBDIVISION, CREATING RESIDENTIAL LOTS 139-332 AND TRACTS M THRU T, CITY OF CENTERTON, S3-T19N-R31W, BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS.**

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that this Ordinance is to accept the Final Plat of Phase 2 of the Featherston Village Subdivision on Kimmel Road. He detailed the results of the Planning Commission Meeting on 1/17/2023, where it was recommended for approval by the City Council. A map of the property was provided for Council.

Jeff Roth, the applicant, was present for questions.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Ordinance by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adopt the Ordinance with a 2nd from Misty Elam. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Ordinance 2023-11 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CENTERTON MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 12.12.01 TITLED CREATED FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD.**

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that this Ordinance is to amend the size of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board from nine (9) Members to seven (7) Members.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Ordinance by title only. Amy Rochette made a motion to adopt the Ordinance, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Ordinance 2023-12 - AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAT OF THE TIMBER RIDGE PHASE 2 SUBDIVISION, CREATING RESIDENTIAL LOTS 63 THRU 118 AND TRACTS A AND B, CITY OF CENTERTON, S32-T20N-R31W, BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS.**

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that this Ordinance is to accept the Final Plat of the Timber Ridge Subdivision Phase 2, at Timber Ridge Road and Steepro Drive. He detailed the results of the Planning Commission Meeting on 2/07/2023, where it was recommended for approval by the City Council. A map of the property was provided for Council.

A representative for the applicant was present for questions.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Ordinance by title only. Darren Warren made a motion to adopt the Ordinance with a 2nd from Misty Elam. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Ordinance 2023-13 - AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH BILLING FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES PROVIDED BOTH FOR INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES .**

Fire Chief Matt Thompson addressed the Council, detailing how each of the fees were established. A Fee Schedule was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Ordinance by title only. Amy Rochette made a motion to adopt the Ordinance with a 2nd from Misty Elam. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried. City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Emergency Clause. Misty Elam made a motion to adopt the Emergency Clause with a 2nd from Josie Reed. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Ordinance 2023-14 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CENTERTON MUNICIPAL CODE, SECTION 11.20.04, TITLED ISSUANCE OF PERMITS.**

Chief Building Inspector Robert Coffelt addressed Council, detailing the proposed Ordinance and giving a brief history of Model Homes in the area. Coffelt recommended not passing the Ordinance, due to safety reasons and risk to the city.

There was brief discussion about fire access, safety, economic concerns and public interest.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Ordinance by title only. There was no motion by Council, after three (3) requests by Mayor Edwards, and the Ordinance died.

(9) Resolutions –

- **Resolution 2023-05 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH HENARD UTILITY PRODUCTS INC., SEARCY, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A CRACK SEAL TRAILER.**

Director of Public Works Edgar Barroso addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow for the purchase of a crack seal trailer for \$56,365.00, for use by the Street Department. He said they were able to get two (2) bids. He said it is over the amount budgeted, but they were able to save enough on the purchase of a truck last month to offset the difference. He detailed the specifics of the trailer.

Council Members Amy Rochette and Justin Cowgur asked if there were used trailers available and what the longevity of one of these trailers should be, Assistant Public Works Director Anthony Martinez stated that the city has never purchased a new one, and is in this position because the used one we purchased had repair needs. He stated that we could possibly expect up to ten (10) years of use out of a new trailer.

A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any other questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Misty Elam. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-06 - A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS AND THE CITY OF HIGHFILL, ARKANSAS REGARDING ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES.**

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to renew a two (2) year agreement with the City of Highfill for Animal Control Services. He said the fee is \$100.00 per dog. A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-07 - A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS AND THE CITY OF CAVE SPRINGS, ARKANSAS REGARDING ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES.**

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to renew a two (2) year agreement with the City of Cave Springs for Animal Control Services. He said the fee is \$100.00 per dog. A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any other questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Misty Elam. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-08 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CEI ENGINEERING, ASSOCIATES INC.**

BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.

City Engineer Alan Craighead addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to enter into an agreement with CEI for Engineering Services for specific projects in the city.

A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Josie Reed made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Amy Rochette. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-09 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CEI ENGINEERING, ASSOCIATES INC. BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS FOR SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES IN THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.**

City Engineer Alan Craighead addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to enter into an agreement with CEI for Engineering Services in regards to ROW acquisitions for sidewalk projects to Bentonville West High School.

Mayor Edwards stated that these sidewalk projects are on Gamble Road, from Seba Road to Bliss Street, and from Bliss Street to D Street. He said the funds for these projects are coming from an approved grant. He said any remaining funds will go to sidewalks on Seba Road.

A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Darren Warren made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Keith Higginbotham. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-10 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CEI ENGINEERING, ASSOCIATES INC. BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS FOR FLOOD REVIEW SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.**

City Engineer Alan Craighead addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to enter into an agreement with CEI for Flood Review Services for certain projects. He said this extends our contract with CEI for an additional two (2) years.

A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

There was discussion about the City Engineer working toward certification.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any other questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Darren Warren made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Amy Rochette. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-11 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TRULY LOCAL, PINEVILLE, MISSOURI FOR ADVISEMENT AND CONSULTING FOR THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.**

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to enter into an agreement with Truly Local for Economic Development services for the city.

John Newby with Truly Local made a presentation to Council, including the importance of having a unique identity, a “Downtown”, a Chamber of Commerce. He gave examples of other communities he has worked with.

A copy of the presentation and recommended agreement was provided to Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions.

Council Member Justin Cowgur asked about how success is measured. Newby responded. Cowgur asked if Mr. Newby had attended any City Council or Planning Commission meetings for the city. Newby said he had not. Cowgur asked for examples of businesses he has brought in, or if this is just a Chamber “play”. Cowgur stated that he would prefer a full-time Economic Developer position with the city. Newby responded that he would recommend concentrating on developing youth opportunities and a Downtown. Cowgur asked that we Table this item and gather more information about downtown and a Chamber of Commerce. He also asked for more options.

Council Member Josie Reed stated that she introduced Mr. Newby to Mayor Edwards and they had multiple meetings, which led to the proposal this evening.

Council Member Amy Rochette spoke about Centerton's demographics and youth sports opportunities. She expressed concern with outsourcing this position versus having a full-time Economic Developer.

There was discussion about a location for downtown and examples of TIF Districts.

Justin Cowgur made a motion to Table the Resolution, with a 2nd from Amy Rochette. There was a roll call. Misty Elam, Amy Rochette and Justin Cowgur voted Yes and Darren Warren, Josie Reed and Keith Higginbotham voted NO. Mayor Edwards voted YES, breaking the tie, and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-12 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH STRIBLING EQUIPMENT, SPRINGDALE, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2023 HAMM HD12 VV ROLLER FOR THE CENTERTON STREET DEPARTMENT.**

Director of Public Works Edgar Barroso addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow for the purchase of a 2023 HAMM HD 12 VV Roller, for \$53,550.00, for use by the Street Department. He said this will replace our current roller. He said they did get bids from John Deere and Caterpillar and did look at used options. He said they did budget \$60,000.00 for a roller, so this will come in under budget.

A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any other questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Amy Rochette made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-13 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GARVER ENGINEERING LLC, ROGERS, ARKANSAS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.**

City Engineer Alan Craighead addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to enter into an agreement with Garver Engineering LLC for Engineering Services for specific projects in the city.

A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Josie Reed made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Keith Higginbotham. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-14 - A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW BANK ACCOUNTS AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NWA, FOR THE CREATION OF ERAD SEIZURES CHECKING ACCOUNT AND TO DESIGNATE INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM VARIOUS ACTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON WITH REGARD TO SAID ACCOUNT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Police Captain Chris Kelley addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to establish an account at First National Bank of NWA for collection of ERAD Seizure funds. He detailed the process for Council.

City Attorney Brian Rabal asked if there would be interest incurred on this account. Mayor Edwards said he would find out.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any other questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Misty Elam made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-15 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HALFF ASSOCIATES INC, BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.**

City Engineer Alan Craighead addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow the city to enter into an agreement with Halff Associates Inc., for Engineering Services for specific projects in the city.

A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adopt the Resolution, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-16 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN RAMP COMPANY, JOPLIN, MISSOURI FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PUMP TRACK FOR CENTERTON PARKS AND RECREATION.**

Parks Superintendent Josh Price addressed the Council, stating that this Resolution is to allow for the purchase of a Pump Track (Bike Track) for the city. He detailed the track(s) location and operation for Council. Mayor Edwards said the cost is included in the Resolution at \$190,000.00.

A copy of the agreement was provided for Council.

Mayor Edwards asked the Council if there were any other questions. There were none.

City Attorney Brian Rabal read the Resolution by title only. Misty Elam made a motion to adopt the Resolution, Contingent Upon Review by the City Attorney, with a 2nd from Justin Cowgur. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(10) Request Two (2) Seasonal Employees for Centerton Parks and Recreation -

Parks Superintendent Josh Price addressed the Council, requesting two (2) Seasonal Employees for the Parks Department for mowing and weed-eating at \$16.00/hr.

Mayor Edwards asked if there were any questions from Council. There were none.

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to Approve Two (2) Seasonal Employees for the Parks Department, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(11) Approve Incentive Pay for CDL Drivers – Public Works Department -

Director of Public Works Edgar Barroso addressed the Council, requesting \$1.00/hr. Incentive Pay for CDL Drivers in the Public Works Department. He detailed the reasoning behind the request.

Council Member Amy Rochette asked if this would be an amendment to the Employee Handbook. Barroso stated that HR was already working on that.

Council Member Darren Warren questioned adding the incentive to the Employee Salary, potentially creating an increase in pay which could create a burden to the city. He recommended a Flat Fee.

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to approve the Incentive Pay for CDL Drivers as presented, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(12) Approve Moving Permit for Rama Garimidi – 7888 Vaughn Road -

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, stating that the applicant is requesting a Moving Permit for 7888 Vaughn Road. He said there were two (2) requests heard at the Planning Commission, and only one (1) was recommended for approval by the City Council. The application and photos were provided for Council.

Council Member Darren Warren felt this request would be a Code Enforcement issue.

Planning Director Lorene Burns agreed, stating that provisions were added to the recommended approval by the Planning Commission.

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to Approve the Moving Permit for 7888 Vaughn Road, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. There was a roll call. Misty Elam, Josie Reed and Keith Higginbotham voted YES, and Darren Warren, Justin Cowgur and Amy Rochette voted NO. Mayor Edwards voted NO, breaking the tie, and the motion failed.

(13) Accept Resignations of Justin Rushing and Nate Bice from the Centerton Parks and Recreation Advisory Board -

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, asking them to accept the resignations of Justin Rushing and Nate Bice from the Centerton Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to Accept the Resignations of Justin Rushing and Nate Bice from the Centerton Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, with a 2nd from Misty Elam. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(14) Accept Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Updated Bylaws -

Parks Superintendent Josh Price addressed the Council, asking them to accept the updated Bylaws of the Centerton Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. He detailed the changes. A copy of the new Bylaws was provided for Council.

Josie Reed made a motion to approve the Updated Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Bylaws as presented, with a 2nd from Darren Warren. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(15) Approve Vest Purchase for the Centerton Police Department -

Police Captain Chris Kelley addressed the Council, asking for approval to purchase twelve (12) vests for the SWAT Division of the Centerton Police Department, in the amount of \$57,752.93. He detailed the request, stating that he would like approval to use funds from the \$100,000.00 Equipment and Safety Grant the Police Department was approved for.

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to approve the Purchase of Twelve (12) Vests for the Police Department, using Grant Funds, for \$57,752.93 as presented, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All Council Members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(16) Discuss City Hall Concept and Land for Senior Center -

Mayor Edwards addressed the Council, giving a brief presentation of a Concept Plan for the old City Hall. Discussion included \$250,000.00 budgeted by Council for remodel of the front portion of the building. Mayor Edwards stated that the city also owns $\frac{3}{4}$ of an acre at 577 Main Street.

Council was in support of the Mayor forming a Committee to discuss Uses for the Old City Hall.

(17) Other Business –

- **Centerton Animal Shelter Update** – Police Captain Chris Kelley addressed the Council, giving an update on the Centerton Animal Shelter.
- **Multiple Council Meetings** – There was brief discussion about either having multiple Council Meetings each month or having a Meeting of the Whole prior to the Council Meeting.
- **Main & Seba Rezone Update** – There was Council and City Attorney discussion regarding the Rezone vote at Main Street and Seba Road.

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to hold a Special City Council Meeting on Thursday 3/23/2023 at 6:00 PM to rehear the Rezone Request for Main Street and Seba Road, with a 2nd from Darren Warren. There was a roll call. All Council Members voted in favor, except for Amy Rochette, who voted NO, and the motion carried.

(18) Announcements -

- **2/18/2023 – Coffee w/ Mayor @ 9:00 AM**
- **2/21/2023 – Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:00 PM**
- **2/22/2023 – Work Session for Council and Planning @ 6:00 PM**
- **2/23/2023 – Special City Council Meeting @ 6:00 PM**
- **3/07/2023 - Planning Commission Meeting @ 6:00 PM**

- **3/14/2023 – City Council Meeting @ 6:00 PM**

(19) Adjourn -

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to Adjourn at 10:33 PM with a 2nd from Misty Elam. All Council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

Bill Edwards, Mayor

Todd Wright, City Clerk