COUNCIL MINUTES

CITY OF CHESNEE, CITY HALL

Date:	January 08, 2024
Time:	6:00 PM
Meeting called to order by:	Mayor Bruce Mahaffey

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Bruce Mahaffey, Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Pye, Councilman Robert Johnson, Councilwoman Lauren Dove, Councilwoman Vertie Crawford, Administrator Delisa Coggins, Clerk Treasurer Amanda Killian, Police Chief Main, Events Planner Shellie Main, and Citizens

Workshop 5:15 PM –

Mayor Report- Mayor Mahaffey addressed the recurring comments on the City's Christmas décor and the need for more and new decorations. The trees in the city were voted to be removed last meeting and this took place 1.7.24, stumps are unable to be ground due to electrical interferences. We have obtained a quote for bricking the 2 doors closed on the Mossburg building for $2000. The goal will be to have a mural painted on this wall and we will obtain quotes. Mayor Mahaffey states that New Years Eve was reported as safe and not disruptive.

Councilwoman Dove mentions the CADA bylaws reads that one council member would serve on the board. Also mentioned was the suggestion of placing a dumpster behind City Hall for the city citizens to be able to dispose of household items. It was discussed that this has been a provided service in the past and there were several issues with non city businesses and residents filling the dumpster, this was a big expense the City made the dumpster full where the actual city residents were unable to make use of it.

Councilman Johnson addresses the City Ordinance on firing a weapon in the city and would like this to go under consideration to allow him to fire a weapon on his property to resolve his ongoing issue with rodents.

Councilwoman Crawford addresses council that she believes the Police Department's spare car should be painted white since all the other patrol cars are. Mayor Mahaffey states that this is a spare car, and it is in the best interest of the city not to put money into painting this vehicle.

Administrator Delisa Coggins presents the need for an AED (automated external defibrillator) to be purchased and kept in City Hall. Three quotes have been obtained ranging from $1470-$1510. There will be a vote on this matter at the February meeting. Mrs. Coggins also updated the council of the grant and progress on the restrooms to be built in CADA Park. There will be 2 stalls in the female restroom along with sink, 1 stall and 1 urinal in the male restroom with sink. This will be a block building with vinyl top, metal roof, and sealed concrete floors. Safety precautions, maintenance, and cleaning will continue to be discussed.

MEETING 5:37 PM

Mayor called the meeting to order and Invocation by Sam-Kaminski, with Brooklyn Baptist Church. The approval of December 2023 minutes was approved by the present council.

City resitdent Arnie Hoye spoke about the condition of the City's sidewalks and the need for them to be repaired. Photos were submitted to illustrate specific locations. There were several suggestions made of how to rectify this issue.

Mayor Mahaffey addressed the council about the quote of $2000 to brick in and seal the 2 doors on the Mossburg building. Mayor Pro Tem Pye made a motion and was Councilwoman Crawford 2nd, all in favor.

Mayor Mahaffey states that the new council meeting time of 5:30pm will stay in effect.

Administrator Report: Mrs. Coggins addressed Council of the State Ordinance pertaining to the Business License State Portal NAICS codes and the need to update the ordinance every 2 years, which is due this year. This will require 2 readings, the 1st of which will be this meeting and the 2nd will be January 18, 2024, at 4:30pm. The update is required to be submitted by January 25, 2024. Mayor Pro Tem Pye makes a motion, and councilwoman Dove made 2nd, all in favor.

Planning and Zoning Administrator: Lieutenant Poteat addressed the council of the progress being made since the city is now doing the permitting in house. There were eight total permits for the month of December. By adopting permits to be drawn up at City Hall this helps to ensure that work is being done by licensed contract workers, as well as accurate inspections being performed.

Events Coordinator: Shellie Main announces that the 1st event of 2024 will take place at CADA Park on March 25th. This event will be called "Art in the Park". Mrs. Main states that Chapman Cultural Center, and Chesnee High School have chosen to partner and participate in this event. There will be hand selected specialized vendors at this event that will best accentuate the theme.

Mrs. Main speaks of the Christmas decorations and requests that there be more purchased. Likely, $50,000 to update all décor. Mayor Pro Tem Pye makes a motion, Councilwoman Dove 2nd, all in favor.

Police Chief: Chief Main addressed the council about the funds that the police department took in for the month of December. Chief Main states that the giftcards handed out by officers during Christmas were a success and there were many thanks given.

Councilwoman Crawford addresses Chief Main about the success of Kops Kids, Chief Main states that there were 96 children taken care of and bags of food donated to each from the Garden Church.

Victim's Advocate: Ben Dodd addressed Council of the cases he has been working with.

Mayor Mahaffey addressed council that there is a need for executive session, Councilwoman Dove makes a motion, Mayor Pro Tem Pye 2nd.

Executive session ended at 6:06pm no action was taken during executive session.

Normal session resumed immediately following executive session.

Councilwoman Crawford made the motion to accept Maintenance Team Lead position, Mayor Pro Tem Pye 2nd, all in favor.

Mayor Mahaffey requested the motion to adjourn, Councilwoman Lauren Dove made motion, Councilman Johnson 2nd, all in favor.

COUNCIL MEETING ADJURNED

Minutes _Approved__ this __12th_ day of February 2024.

Mayor, Bruce Mahaffey

Administrator Delisa Coggins