

**CITY OF GENTRY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022**

The City Council of the City of Gentry, Arkansas, met in person and virtually, at the Council Chambers and, at various other locations, at 6:30 p.m. on August 1, 2022. Mayor Kevin Johnston called the meeting to order. Fire Chief, Vester Cripps gave the invocation.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ANSWERING ROLL CALL:

Janice Arnold- Present
Jason Barrett- Present
Michael Crawford- Present (virtually)
Dan Erskin- Present (virtually)
David Page- Present
Jimmy Thorburn- Present
Cindy Philpott- Present
Jason Williams- Present

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None. However, City Attorney Joel Kurtz was not in attendance.

Others in attendance: Mayor- Kevin Johnston, City Clerk- Jenny Trout, Rick Craft, Chamber of Commerce Director-Janie Parks, Fire Chief-Vester Cripps, Police Chief-Clay Stewart, Larry Gregory with Garver-virtually and Randy Moll-virtually

REVIEW OF MINUTES: July 11, 2022- Regular Council Meeting

Motion: Barrett- to approve the minutes as presented

Second: Arnold

Roll Call: Arnold-yes	Barrett-yes	Crawford-yes	Erskin-pass
Page-yes	Philpott-yes	Thorburn-yes	Williams-yes

Motion passed.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

1. **Public Comment (Items Not on Presented Agenda):** None
2. **Main Street Gentry Chamber of Commerce – Janie Parks** presented her monthly report to Council members which included the following upcoming events; Pickin’ Time on 59-September 22-24, Glow Ride- September 24th 7:30p.m. to dusk; Trick or Treat on Main-October 31st beginning at 5:30p.m. and the Christmas parade on December 10th at 6:30p.m., this year’s theme being “Miracle on Main St.” New businesses included: Honeywheat Bakery, Crust & Crumb Catering and, Knead Knot Worry Massage Therapy.

3. **Gentry Public Schools-** Terrie Metz was unable to attend. Jason Barrett provided the following information: Open House will be Tuesday, August 16th from 4:30-7:00. *see website for individual campus times* and, the first day of school will be August 18, 2022.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1) **Park Master Plan Update:**

- a) **Splashpad:** Mayor Johnston informed council members things have wrapped up for the splashpad, with exception of the wall cap being redone in the fall and, final payment has been sent.
- b) **Sports complex:** punch list items are to be completed once cooler temps arrive and, park bonds have been closed out.

- 2) **Water Storage Facility Update:** Larry Gregory with Garver announced his team is working out a few, "end of project kinks"; progress continues moving toward completion. Larry also mentioned smoke testing sewer systems would be taking place in the next few weeks.

- 3) **Water/Sewer Rate Study:** Mayor Johnston presented an updated Provider Approved List for consideration. After some discussion, including possible timelines and completion of said study etc., council members agreed to table this matter until further information could be provided in order to make the best decision with regard to moving forward with this matter.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS: Mayor Johnston did announce to council members that waterlines are scheduled to be replaced along Dawn Hill East Rd., changing the size of the pipes from 2" to 6".

***Planning Commission Meeting, August 18, 2022 @ 7:00p.m.**

***City Sales and Use & County Tax numbers for 2020-2022 were listed**

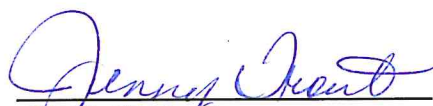
There being no other new business:

Motion: Philpott

Second: Page

All in favor. None opposed.

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.



CITY CLERK:
JENNY TROUT



MAYOR: KEVIN JOHNSTON
CITY OF GENTRY