

**CITY OF HUMNOKE COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL BUILDING IN THE LILLIAN CALVERT LIBRARY  
MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023, AT 7 P.M.**

**MINUTES – Recording #12**

The regular council meeting was opened with prayer by Elbert Carter

**ROLL CALL:** Present were council members: Elbert Carter, Jean Gravett, Mark Hensiek, Janet Teer, Richard and Barbara Terry; city attorney, Michael Crump; Mayor Sue King; and Kay Fulmer, City Clerk. The required number for quorum were present.

**Visitors:** There were no visitors.

**ROUTINE BUSINESS:**

The **Minutes of June 12<sup>th</sup>** were provided; **there was a motion and second to approve the minutes as transcribed. Motion passed unanimously by the council.**

**Financial Reports:** The **June 2023**, bank reconciliation reports (6) were provided. The current balances from the two (2) accounts with no activity were: **Community Relief** (\$1,793.39); and **Parks & Recreation Fund** (\$1,667.80, received 21 cents interest). [all reports available for review]. The **ARPA balance** remains at \$24,717.39. The **Siren Grant Funds** are \$14,250. **There was a motion and second to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

**REPORTS:**

- **FIRE Dept Report:** There were three runs in the month of June. No response to billings; Fire Chief Fulmer went to ER on June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **Storm Siren Grant:** The Siren has been ordered; Rowes Chapel Baptist Church donated \$640.
- **Water Audits:** No contact from Berry & Associates
- **Water Consolidation:** Meeting with NRC and Grand Prairie was held June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- **STREETS:** Last report: repairs would begin this summer.
- **Drainage Study:** The survey letter/questionnaire was mailed to residents on May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- **Helping Hands of Humnoke-Keep Arkansas Beautiful:** next event will be in the fall.
- **FUN PARK Grant:** Received Davis quote; impact materials not ordered yet.
- **Water Meter Account:** We are checking into accounts that should be refunded. We currently have 110 customers; about half of the customers do not have any forms/paperwork.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**The City of Humnoke Audit** was received by all council members. There were no questions or comments.

**PARK** wood fiber impact materials: After discussion, there was a **motion and second to wait on ordering the mulch until we hear about the Fun Park Grant. Motion passed unanimously.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Waterworks Rates:** The application for funding through the NRC required a copy of an ordinance defining the water rates and charges. **ORDINANCE 2023-04 Defining and Establishing the Current Water Rate Schedule and Charges used for the Citizens of Humnoke, Arkansas, was introduced. There was a motion and second to adopt this Ordinance. Motion passed**

unanimously. There was a motion and second to suspend the rules requiring the second and third readings of this ordinance; this motion passed unanimously.

**OFFICE BREAK-IN:** There was a report on the break-in into the city offices during the early morning hours [5-6 a.m.] on July 10<sup>th</sup>. This was turned over to the Lonoke County Sheriff's Department. Video evidence was turned in. There were two men who broke into the building by removing a window unit a/c and then both went through the files and cabinets of both offices, as well as the library. They took the a/c unit, and possibly other items.

**OFFICE SUPPORT:** Mayor King explained that we needed someone to help out as back-up in the office when the clerk, Kay Fulmer, had to be away. Paula Munnerlyn said she would do this job if needed. There was a motion and second to hire Paula Munnerlyn as part-time clerk as needed for \$11 per hour. Motion carried.

The Council, as Board of Directors for the City Water, resolved the following accounts:

**Estate of Mr. Robert Louis E. Clingan:** [Deceased: 2/6/23] **Account #100;** re: Lonoke County Circuit Court Probate No.43PR-23-146. There was a motion and second to approve the Clingan submission for payment, along with the affidavit and supporting documents. Motion passed unanimously.

**Karri Wilson: Account #139.** No contact with her father, Billy Wilson on 913 Ball Road, about the balance due.

There was no action taken re: Doretta Brooks, Houston Burlison and Brian Moody accounts.

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**MOTION TO ADJOURN.** With no further business, there was a motion and second to adjourn; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:45. *Next regular meeting will be August 14, 2023.*

**Minutes approved on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.**

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**Sue King, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Kay Fulmer, Clerk**