

**CITY OF CENTERTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 14, 2017**

The city council was called to order by Mayor, Bill Edwards. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The prayer was offered by Keith Higginbotham. Those Present and answering roll call were Mayor Bill Edwards, Keith Higginbotham, Josie Reed, Robin Reed, Wayne Low and Darren Warren. Misty Elam was absent. Those present and not answering role call were City Clerk Todd Wright, Financial Director Pam Grant, City Attorney Brian Rabal, Planning Director Lorene Burns, Chief Building Inspector Robert Coffelt, Street Superintendent Rick Hudson, Police Chief Cody Harper, Fire Chief Delton Bush, Water & Sewer Superintendent Frank Holzkamper and Animal Control Supervisor Terry Sanchez.

- (1) **Council Minutes-** Wayne Low made a motion to approve the February 14th, 2017 city council minutes with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- (2) **Planning and Water & Sewer Minutes-** Robin Reed made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the January 17th, 2017 CWSD and January 24th, 2017 Planning meeting minutes, with a 2nd from Wayne Low. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- (3) **City and Court Financials-** Mayor Edwards stated that 16.7% through the year we have received 18.37% of our budgeted revenue. He stated that our expenditures were at 14.28%. He highlighted some of the financials for the council. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to accept the February 2017 City and Court financials, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

- (4) **Department Reports- Building Inspection-** Robert Coffelt's report was in the council member's Dropbox packets. **Planning-** Lorene Burns' Planning Project Status Report was in the council member's Dropbox packets. **Police-** Cody Harper's report was in the council member's Dropbox packets. **Streets / Parks &**

Rec- Rick Hudson's reports were in the council member's Dropbox packets. **Fire-** Delton Bush's report was in the council member's Dropbox packets. **Water & Sewer-** Frank Holzkamper's report was in the council member's Dropbox packets. **Animal Control-** Terry Sanchez's report was in the council member's Dropbox packets.

- (5) **Ordinance 2017-03- AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NAME OF ADDRESSES 1000, 1002, 1010, 1011 AND 1012 SHIRAZ DRIVE TO 1000, 1002, 1010, 1011, 1012 LEIGH STREET RESPECTIVELY; IN THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS;** Mayor Bill Edwards addressed the council and explained the need for this ordinance to change this street name in the Clark Estates Subdivision. Mayor Edwards stated that he wanted to read this ordinance by title only, for 3 meetings to give those affected, plenty of time. He stated that he has sent certified letters to the 3 affected property owners, and has received receipts back. Council asked the Mayor to reach out to the tenants as well. He stated that he did. There was discussion. This was the 3rd and final reading. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to read the ordinance by title only with a 2nd from Robin Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the ordinance by title only. Robin Reed made a motion to adopt the ordinance, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.
- (6) **Ordinance 2017-14- AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CENTERTON CITY LIMITS BELONGING TO BRADSHAW PROPERTIES, LLC; FROM HEAVY INDUSTRIAL (I-2) TO HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL (C-2) AND LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (I-1).** Mayor Bill Edwards addressed the council and explained the need for this ordinance to rezone this property. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to read the ordinance by title only, with a 2nd from Wayne Low. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the ordinance by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of the ordinance on 3 separate occasions with a 2nd from Darren Warren. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Wayne Low made a motion to adopt the ordinance with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.
- (7) **Ordinance 2017-15- AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CENTERTON CITY LIMITS BELONGING TO SAM E.**

WOODS JR. AND TONYA R. WOODS TRUST; FROM AGRICULTURAL (A-1) TO HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL (C-2) AND HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R-3) MULTI-FAMILY USE. Mayor Bill Edwards addressed the council and explained the need for this ordinance to rezone this property. Josie Reed made a motion to read the ordinance by title only, with a 2nd from Wayne Low. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the ordinance by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of the ordinance on 3 separate occasions with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Wayne Low made a motion to adopt the ordinance with a 2nd from Keith Higginbotham. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(8) Ordinance 2017-16- AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CENTERTON MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 10 TITLED “UTILITIES”; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. Mayor Bill Edwards and Lorene Burns addressed the council and explained the need for this ordinance to make a code change for the Water & Sewer Commission, to allow for more than one billing cycle. Robin made a motion to read the ordinance by title only, with a 2nd from Darren Warren. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the ordinance by title only. Wayne Low made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of the ordinance on 3 separate occasions with a 2nd from Josie reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adopt the ordinance with a 2nd from Darren Warren. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(9) Ordinance 2017-17- AN ORDINANCE WAIVING BIDDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADJACENT STREET IMPROVEMENTS FOR EAST SPRING STREET; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PUPOSES. Mayor Bill Edwards and Rick Hudson addressed the council and explained the need for this ordinance to waive bidding requirements for the road running behind the new Centerton Plaza. Wayne Low made a motion to read the ordinance by title only, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the ordinance by title only. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of the ordinance on 3 separate occasions with a 2nd from Wayne Low. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adopt the ordinance with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the emergency clause. Wayne Low made a motion to adopt the emergency clause, with a 2nd from Darren Warren. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(10) **Ordinance 2017-18- AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAT OF BIG SKY, CITY OF CENTERTON, BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY..** Mayor Bill Edwards and Rick Hudson addressed the council and explained the need for this ordinance to accept final plat of the Big Sky subdivision. Rick Hudson explained to the council that Big Sky subdivision is an old subdivision, creating an issue where an insurance bond for the roads could not be retained. He stated that the city is accepting a letter of credit in-lieu of the bond. Rick gave more details on what will be expected as part of this exception. There was discussion. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to read the ordinance by title only, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the ordinance by title only. Wayne Low made a motion to suspend the rule requiring the reading of the ordinance on 3 separate occasions with a 2nd from Keith Higginbotham. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Robin Reed made a motion to adopt the ordinance with a 2nd from Keith Higginbotham. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the emergency clause. Josie Reed made a motion to adopt the emergency clause, with a 2nd from Wayne Low. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(11) **Resolution 2017-01- A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SCHOOL MILLAGE ELECTION.** Mayor Edwards addressed the council and explained the need to bring this resolution back, due to an error at the last council meeting, to show support for the millage election, asking for 1.9 mils. There was discussion. Robin Reed made a motion to read the resolution, with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Rabal read the entire resolution. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to read the resolution, with a 2nd from Darren warren. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(12) **Resolution 2017-03- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MORRISON-SHIPLEY ENGINEERS, INC, FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES, SPRING STREET EXTENTION FOR THE CITY OF CENTERTON, ARKANSAS.** Mayor Edwards addressed the council and explained the need for this resolution to enter into an agreement with Morrison-Shipley for engineering services for the Spring Street Extension. There was discussion. Robin Reed made a motion to read the resolution by title only with a 2nd from Josie Reed. All council members voted in favor and the motion

carried. Brian Rabal read the resolution by title only. Wayne Low made a motion to adopt the resolution with a 2nd from Darren Warren. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(13) Discuss Capital Projects- Daniel Allen, Raymond James- Mayor Edwards addressed the council, stating that he reached back out to the bond company, due to questions about a possible bond extension opportunity. Daniel Allen and Ron Pyle from Raymond James, and Jill Drewyor from Mitchell-Williams spoke to the council and answered their questions. There was lengthy discussion. Keith Higginbotham made a motion to proceed with the Bond process for a Sales Tax Extension election, with a 2nd from Darren Warren. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

(14) Other Business- There was none.

(15) Announcements- Mayor Edwards stated that “Coffee with the Mayor” would be Saturday, March 18th, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Keith Higginbotham made a motion to adjourn with a 2nd from Wayne Low. All council members voted in favor and the motion carried.

Bill Edwards, Mayor

Todd Wright, City Clerk

