

REGULAR CALLED MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Boardroom

August 6, 2019

5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order Mayor James Calhoun
2. Invocation
3. Approval of Board Minutes from July 16, 2019 – Mayor Calhoun
4. Introduction of New Parks & Recreation Director – Gary Brinkley
5. Introduction of New Airport Manager – Gary Brinkley
6. Presentation by Leadership Clark County VIII – Clay Sexton & Team Members
7. Consider Parks & Recreation Committee Members – Gary Brinkley
8. Airport Construction Update – Gary Brinkley
9. City Manager's Report – Gary Brinkley
10. Routine Business – Mayor Calhoun
11. Adjournment – Mayor Calhoun

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July 16, 2019

5:30 P.M.

MEMBERS:

Taylor Chaney, *Ward 1 Director*
Chris Porter, *Ward 2 Director*
Scott Byrd, *Ward 3 Director, Assistant Mayor*
Joann Nelson, *Ward 4 Director*
Jason Jones, *Ward 5 Director*
Roland Gosey, *Ward 6, At Large Director*
James Calhoun, *Ward 7, Mayor (Absent)*

OTHERS:

Gary Brinkley, *City Manager*
Jessica Davis, *City Clerk*

CALL TO ORDER

The Assistant Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Director Nelson

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES FROM JULY 2, 2019

A motion was made by Director Jones, seconded by Director Porter to approve the minutes from the July 2, 2019 regular called meeting of the Board of Directors.

The motion passed on a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:

Taylor Chaney	"Aye"	Roland Gosey	"Aye"
Chris Porter	"Aye"	Jason Jones	"Aye"
Joann Nelson	"Aye"	Mayor Calhoun	Absent
Scott Byrd	"Aye"		

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR TWIN RIVERS DRAINAGE REPLACEMENT

Mr. Brinkley requested the Board approve Boyles Construction, the lowest bidder, to be awarded the contract in the amount of \$266,997.50. He also recommended the Board approve McClellan Engineering to be hired as the Construction Administrator for a price not to exceed \$13,820.00.

A motion was made by Director Jones, seconded by Director Gosey to award Boyles Construction the contract in the amount of \$266,997.50 with McClellan Engineering as the Construction Administrator for a price not to exceed \$13,820.00 and for the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

The motion passed on a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:

Taylor Chaney	"Aye"	Roland Gosey	"Aye"
Chris Porter	"Aye"	Jason Jones	"Aye"
Joann Nelson	"Aye"	Mayor Calhoun	Absent
Scott Byrd	"Aye"		

UPDATE ON BOARD RETREAT

Mr. Brinkley presented available dates for the annual Board Retreat. It was suggested due to the citizen's vote occurring on September 10th, the meeting should take place in October. The Board will decide on a date and notify staff.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

July 16, 2019

- On July 9th, 4 candidates interviewed for the Director of Parks & Recreation position. My thanks to Parks Chairperson Nikki Chandler and Matt Johnson for serving on the panel interview committee. The unanimous selection was Wayne Rodemeyer Jr. known as Junior. Mr. Rodemeyer has his Masters in Sports Mgt from HSU and spent 2 years with Mike Volz as an intern during his time at HSU. Mr. Rodemeyer will begin work on August 5, 2019.
- On July 9th we lost the second (and only side working upstairs) A/C unit on the second floor of Town Hall. It was repaired and running on the evening of the 15th. The overflow valve failed to close causing flooding to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors at City Hall.
- Redstone showed up on July 8th at the Airport. They have until August 28th to complete the drainage projects and runway overlay.
- The 2019 Bonds were funded on July 9th. Again, our thanks to Jason Holsclaw of Stephens, Inc. for his assistance to the city.
- On July 15th at Noon at the Recreation Center held its first Parks Committee meeting post Mike's passing.
- Officer Free wrote over 100 violations last month and ahead of that pace this month with grass issues. The rains have caused issues but that reason is coming to an end. Thank you for your patience as he works through the entire city.
- Flooding Events of July 16, 2019.

Dates to Remember:

- Dog days of summer are here, the next advisor is School starting on August 13th.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Taylor Chaney, Ward 1 – He has a name to include for consideration on the Parks & Recreation Committee.

Chris Porter, Ward 2 – He appreciates how everyone comes together during a crisis. He said it's the silver lining.

Joann Nelson, Ward 4 – She is enjoying the street improvements in her ward. She thanked Mr. Brinkley and those responsible for the work.

Jason Jones, Ward 5 – Park Hill Baptist Church is allowing people to use their facilities for showering and also handing out bottled water until 8:00 pm. He asked Mr. Brinkley if it would be possible to receive monthly financial statements instead of quarterly.

Roland Gosey, Ward 6 Director at Large – The Laymen Ministry of the Greater Pleasant Hill Baptist Church painted fire hydrants along Caddo St. beginning at Atwoods. They are bright and beautiful now.

Scott Byrd, Ward 3, Assistant Mayor – He had some questions about the Community & Special Events position. Mr. Brinkley is looking to help facilitate bringing in monthly events.

James Calhoun, Mayor – Absent

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Director Nelson made the motion, seconded by Director Jones to adjourn. **The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.**

Scott Byrd, Assistant Mayor

Jessica Davis, City Clerk

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Jason Jackson

Jason Hunt

Carrie Burt

Bruce Bell

Chuck Fitzsimmons

Jamal Brown - **Press**



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To: Arkadelphia Board of Directors
CC: Ed McCorkle, City Attorney
From: Gary Brinkley, City Manager
Date: July 31, 2019
Re: Welcome Junior Rodemeyer

Junior Rodemeyer was hired on July 9th to become the next Director of Parks and Recreation.

Junior will be introduced to the Board of Directors at the August 6th Meeting.

Background:

Mr. Rodemeyer holds a MS. in Sports Administration from Henderson State University. He worked with Mike Volz as an Assistant Director/Athletic Supervisor from February 2010-October 2012 while working on his Masters degree. Thus he is familiar with our city and past operations.

Mr. Rodemeyer has spent the last six years in Colorado working for several cities as he increased his responsibilities and pay. His current position is Athletic Specialist with Castle Rock, CO. Castle Rock is a city of 75,000 and one of the fastest growing cities in the nation.

Mr. Rodemeyer and his wife are excited about moving back to Arkadelphia and hopefully starting a family.



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To: Arkadelphia Board of Directors
CC: Ed McCorkle, City Attorney
From: Gary Brinkley, City Manager
Date: July 31, 2019
Re: Introduction of New Airport Manager

We have hired a new Airport Manager. I will introduce him/her at Tuesday night's meeting.

As he/she has not resigned from their current position at the printing of this Board Packet, their name is withheld.

I want to express my gratitude to Mr. John Knight for participating in this selection process.

Thank you.



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Re: Leadership Clark County VIII Project

Clay Sexton and the lead team for the Class Project will be here to discuss their proposed class project of a Dog Park in Arkadelphia.

Mr. Sexton will provide the details.

I will add that when the Parks Board met on July 15th all were in agreement with the plan. As they were one person away from a quorum, there was no vote to record.

Following the presentation, they will seek your approval to move forward so the fund-raising team can begin their work.

Thank you.



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Re: Parks & Recreation Committee

We are pleased to submit Ms. Carrie Burt to this Committee. We continue to speak with individuals about filling the vacant slots.

Please accept the recommendation of the candidate below to serve on the Parks & Recreation Committee as indicated:

Place One Carrie Burt Expiring 06/30/21

We look forward to bringing you additional candidates in the near future.

Thank you.



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Re: Airport Update

The drainage and runway overlay projects are moving forward in earnest.
You will be provided a written report from our engineering firm on Tuesday night.
Thank you.