

REGULAR CALLED MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Boardroom

February 20, 2018

5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order Mayor James Calhoun
2. Invocation
3. Ward 2 Candidates Introductory Presentation to the Board – Mayor Calhoun
4. Executive Session to Discuss Ward 2 Candidates – Mayor Calhoun
5. Vote on Replacement of Ward 2 Director- Mayor Calhoun
6. Swearing in of Ward 2 Director – Judge Randy Hill
7. Approval of Minutes from February 6, 2018
8. 2017 Financial Recap (state of the city address) – Gary Brinkley
9. City Manager's Report – Gary Brinkley
10. Routine Business – Mayor Calhoun
11. Adjournment – Mayor Calhoun



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To: Arkadelphia City Board
Cc: Ed McCorkle, City Attorney
From: Gary Brinkley, City Manager
Date: February 16, 2018
Re: Ward 2 Board Member Interested Parties

Attached please find letters of interest from Mr. Delton Simpson and Mr. Mark Raney for your consideration as to their candidacy for the Ward 2 Board position.

I have advised them both to be here at 5:30 pm at the February 20th meeting.

The plan is to have each candidate introduce themselves to you and answer any questions you may have for them and then convene into executive session to discuss. We will reconvene into regular session for a written vote and the nominated person will be sworn in by Judge Hill.

Thank you.

February 1, 2018

To whom it may concern:

I Delton Simpson am interested in running for the position in Ward 2. I feel that I will be a great asset to the community and help in bringing a change for the better.

Thank you


Delton Simpson

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Mark Raney

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71923
972-214-9000
mark.raney22@gmail.com

02-08-2018

To whom it may concern,

This is to serve as my letter to verify my interest in the vacancy in City of Arkadelphia Board of Directors Ward 2. I would like to be considered as a possible candidate to fill the vacancy. We have lived in Arkadelphia now for 5 plus years and have seen some promising things but also know that there is still a lot of work to be done. We have a great community with so many families that love being a part of the community but also know that there is a lot more that can be done for future generations. I would like to contribute to the growth of our community in any way that I can.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to possibly being a part of the board.

Warm regards,
Mark Raney



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Gary Brinkley

From: Mark Raney <mark.raney22@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2018 12:46 PM
To: gbrinkley@cityofarkadelphia.com
Subject: Arkadelphia Ward 2 Opening Interest

Hi Gary.

I just wanted to know if this will work for verifying my interest in Ward 2 opening. If not, please let me know if any additional steps I need to take.

Speak with you soon

Mark Raney
Sent from my iPhone=

**REGULAR CALLED MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Boardroom

February 6, 2018

5:30 P.M.

MEMBERS:

Taylor Chaney, *Ward 1 Director*

Vacant, *Ward 2 Director*

Scott Byrd, *Ward 3 Director, Assistant Mayor (absent)*

Joann Nelson, *Ward 4 Director –Arrived Late*

Jason Jones, *Ward 5 Director*

Roland Gosey, *Ward 6, At Large Director*

James Calhoun, *Ward 7, Mayor*

OTHERS:

Gary Brinkley, City Manager

Jennifer Story, City Clerk

Tammy Beeler, Treasurer

Nancy Anderson, Grants

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Director Gosey

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Director Gosey seconded by Director Chaney to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2018 regular called meeting of the Board of directors. **The motion passed with a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:**

Taylor Chaney

“Aye”

Roland Gosey

“Aye”

Joann Nelson

Absent

Jason Jones

“Absent”

Scott Byrd

“Aye”

Mayor Calhoun

“Aye”

Proclamation Celebrating February as Black History Month

City Manager presented to the Board a proclamation, proclaiming the month of February as African-American History Month Mayor Calhoun read the proclamation.

Acceptance of FAA SW Region 2017 Airport of the Year Award

On Tuesday, January 30th at the Federal Aviation Administration Southwest Region Conference awarded the City of Arkadelphia’s Dexter B. Florence Memorial Field Airport the FAA SW Region as the 2017 Arkansas Airport of the Year. The award was received by Ms. Michelle Anthony, Airport Manager and Mr. Gary Brinkley, City Manager. Mr. Brinkley read portions of the citation of accomplishment that went with the award.

Approval of Engineering Services Phase I at Airport

Mr. Brinkley presented the board the contract with Grimes Consulting Engineers, Inc. for the Phase I of the airport drainage and preliminary engineering design work for the runway 4/22.

This contract will be paid 90% by the FAA and 10% by the ADA. The drainage project cost is approximately \$525,000 in 2018 and the runway rehabilitation will be over \$2.2 million in 2019.

Director Chaney made the motion seconded by Asst. Mayor Byrd to approve the contract with the city manager to execute. **The motion passed unanimously with a roll call.**

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

Approval of 2018 Alliance Contract

Mr. Brinkley presented the board the annual contract with Alliance for economic development services. The funds were appropriated in the 2018 budget. The amount is \$30,000 paid in equal monthly installments. Director Gosey made the motion seconded by Asst. Mayor Byrd to proceed with the contract. **The motion passed unanimously with a roll call.**

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

Amendment to Demolition Contract with Graylee, LLC

Mr. Brinkley informed the board that due to unforeseen circumstances, the length of time between when the bid was awarded for the hospital demolition and when work was allowed to begin was nearly a year. The price of diesel has increased over \$.50 per gallon which he verified on a national fuel price website. The contractor asked the contract increase \$6,000 to cover the fuel increase.

The staff agreed with the request and asks for board approval to amend the contract \$6,000 to a contract price of \$52,385 and authorize the City Manager to execute the amended contract. **The motion passed with a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:**

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

Consider Awarding Bid for Feaster Trail Connector

Mr. Brinkley presented a recap, of the grant that was awarded to the City May 2013 from the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department enabling the city to construct a multi-use trail under the existing Hwy 7 Bridge in Arkadelphia to connect the eastern and western portions of Feaster Trail.

Funding Source: Arks Recreational Trails Project -AHTD Job # 070402 – Awarded May 3, 2013

Federal Award 80%	\$48,000	<i>Included in 2018 Budget out of Parks</i>
<i>Capital</i>		
Local Match 20%	\$ 9,600	<i>Included in 2018 out of Capital</i>
<i>Improvement Bond</i>		
Cash Match	<u>\$41,400</u>	<i>Included in 2018 out of Capital</i>
<i>Improvement Bond</i>		
Total Funding:	\$99,000	

Project Cost:

McClelland Engineer Work Order No. 9 2013	\$10,394	<i>Board Approved October 15,</i>
McClelland Engineer Work Order No. 9a	\$ 5,500	<i>Board Approval – Sept 6, 2016</i>
<u>Project Cost – to stay in budget</u>	<u>\$83,106</u>	
Total Project:	\$99,000	

Thursday, December 21st bids were opened for the Feaster Trail Connector.

Staff recommended awarding the contract to the qualified low bidder, JCON, INC, in the amount of \$89,680.00 and for the City Manager to execute the contract.

Asst. Mayor Byrd made the motion seconded by Director Chaney to proceed with the contract.

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

Taylor Chaney	“Aye”	Roland Gosey	“Aye”
Joann Nelson	Absent	Jason Jones	Absent
Scott Byrd	“Aye”	Mayor Calhoun	“Aye”

Consider Resolution of Condemnation - 208 S. 25th

Code Enforcement Officer Thomas Free made a presentation/case to the board for the condemnation and authorization to remove the structures at 208 S. 25th.

Staff supported the findings and request from Code Enforcement Officer Free to move forward with a Resolution of Condemnation and have the structures removed as quickly as possible pursuant to Arkansas law. Director Gosey made the motion seconded by Director Chaney to proceed with condemnation. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Taylor Chaney	“Aye”	Roland Gosey	“Aye”
Joann Nelson	Absent	Jason Jones	Absent
Scott Byrd	“Aye”	Mayor Calhoun	“Aye”

City Manager's Report

February 6, 2018

- On Wednesday, January 3rd, I met with Stuart Noland of Crist Engineering and representatives from ANRC and CREWS/First Security to discuss the \$15MM gap between funds currently available for the Sun Bio water treatment plant and the estimated cost. The meeting was very cordial and numerous ideas were discussed to close the gap.
- January 4th, I attended the Clark County Economic Development workshop hosted by HSU. The intent is to work through issues that remain following the Clark County Strategic Plan which concluded in 2017.
- The Airport Committee met on January 8th. The newly hired engineer, Grimes, is doing a phenomenal job in keeping us in favor with FAA on deadline submittals. Their fresh eye to long term problems has lead to new ideas and problem-solving suggestions which is exciting. The committee approved the FAA CIP as proposed by the engineer for drainage work around the airport which precedes the runway overlay in 2019.
- Attended the Alliance Board meeting on January 9th. Good things continue in Clark County.
- Attended the Arkansas Municipal League Winter Conference in Fort Smith January 10th-12th along with Jennifer Story and Jessica Davis.
- Advertisements have been placed for the current openings in the Parks and Sanitation Departments.
- Ads have been placed for Letters of Interest in Ward 2. The closing date for letters of interest is noon, February 9th. The candidates will be here on February 20th Board Meeting to be interviewed and a candidate selected for the vacancy.
- Attended the MLK banquet at Henderson State University on the 15th with the Mayor and members of the RCDC.

- On January 16th we hosted a public hearing for the proposed waste water facility that will be located in the industrial park for the Sun Bio plant. This is a requirement as part of the permitting process with ANRC. The second public hearing will be on March 20th at 4:00 pm in the Board Room.
- The January 16th Board Meeting was cancelled due to concerns with streets refreezing after dark.
- January 18th, I met with Don Chaney and 3 representatives from Arkansas Fish & Game about improvements at River Park. Mr. Chaney is leading the efforts to have the bank stabilized and backfill the erosion. The current effort is to add a concrete sidewalk over the stabilizing bench for fishing. This is in keeping with our desire to create river engagement. Much work remains in getting the sidewalk designed and funded but the concept has been accepted by the appropriate authorities.
- Board of Adjustments and Zoning met on the 18th. They had 2 business sign cases that were reviewed and approved.
- On January 23rd, attended the Town Hall meeting at HSU with Senators Bruce Malloch and Larry Teague. The event was moderately attended. We are always appreciative of the time legislators spend in town discussing local issues.
- Friday, January 26th the Rec Center hosted the Baptist Health 2017 Health Fair. It was well attended and seemed to be a satisfying event for both the vendors/suppliers and the general public. Interest was so high that SCAT ran several routes from Gurdon and Okolona to the event.
- We received a letter from the Arkansas State Aid Street Committee stating we were awarded an overlay project for Walnut Street, 10th St, Caddo St and 27th St. The project is approved for \$244,590 of State Aid City Street Funds. ArDOT will oversee the project. The good news is we were approved, the bad news is based on anticipated funding the work will not be let until Jan/Feb 2019.
- On Tuesday, January 30th we received the 2017 Arkansas Airport of the Year Award at the FAA SW Regional Conference in Hurst, Texas.
- The snow storm a couple of weeks ago cost us \$3,783.89 in materials plus fuel, clean up and overtime.
- I wanted to advise you that staff is preparing for several items to be auctioned off on Govdeals.com and there will be an auction at the Airport in March of used vehicles and equipment that will be auctioned off.

- The flu has reached Arkadelphia! Please take precautions for yourself, especially if you have underlying medical conditions and should you become infected, please stay out of the public to help slow the progress of the disease. Thank you.

- Dates to Remember:
 - February 8 at Town Hall Board Room Coffee with Congressman Westerman 9:00-10:30 am
 - February 8th is the First Responders Dinner at the Rec Center 5:30 pm.
 - February 15th Town Hall meeting with Rep. Gonzales & Womack at the Rec Center, 5:30-7:00 pm
 - February 20th meeting- Ward 2 interviews and selection

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Taylor Chaney, Ward 1- He Congratulated to Michelle and the Airport Committee for receiving the FAA SW Airport of the Year. As his is Black History month Director Chaney invited the public to go to his website and look at his compilation of some of the ligations that took place back in the 60's.

Ward 2- Vacant

Joann Nelson, Ward 4- Absent

Jason Jones, Ward 5-Absent

Roland Gosey, Ward 6 Director at Large- He congratulated to Michelle and the Airport Committee for receiving the FAA SW Airport of the Year.

Scott Byrd, Ward 3, Assistant Mayor- He congratulated Michelle and the Airport Committee for receiving the FAA SW Airport of the Year. Please Keep Director Nelson in your prayers.

James Calhoun, Mayor- Please remember to keep Director Joan Nelson in your prayers. Mr. Brinkley and I attended the Citywide Health Fair. The event was well attended. I have presented a Proclamation to the two of the Elementary schools Perrett and Central, for Kindness Matters. Citizen Bank will be having a beam signing on Wednesday February 7, 2018, at 10:00am.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business to discuss, Director Chaney made the motion seconded by Director Gosey to adjourn. **The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.**

Jennifer Story, City Clerk

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Jason Jackson
Chuck Fitzsimmons
Jamal Brown, *Press*
Joe Mays, Press
David Green
Aaron Bopp
Michelle Anthony
Kaden Bryant
Kannon Bryant
Delton Simpson
Jason
David Maxwell
Atira Robinson
Jessica Davis
John Knight
Henry Wilson
Johnathan Boyce
Thomas Free
Aaron Seel



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