

SEARCY CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING

7/14/20 6:00 pm
CARMICHAEL COMMUNITY CENTER - 801 SOUTH
ELM STREET

6:00 p.m. - Public hearing – determining the amounts of liens to be certified to the White County Tax Collector against certain properties as a result of grass cutting expenses and abatement of other nuisances

Agenda

1. Call to Order – Mayor Kyle Osborne;
2. Roll Call;
3. Suspend the rules and amend the agenda to add items: (19-1-j) budget ordinance appropriation for testing services, surveying, and right of way acquisition on the North Main Street improvement project and (19-1-k) budget ordinance appropriation for the purchase of SONY Digital Paper electronic readers for Council meeting usage;
4. Approval of Minutes – June 9, 2020 regular Council meeting and June 12, 2020 special Council meeting;
5. Treasurer’s Report;
6. Appointment of Wiley Blansett to fill the unexpired position previously held by J.R. Thomas on the Searcy Airport Commission, with the term set to expire on December 31, 2021;
7. Authorization to close bank accounts that are not active:
 - Information Technology Projects Fund (15) - \$493.18
 - Special Projects Fund (16) - \$2,596.86
 - Swim Pool Construction Fund (17) - \$100.00
8. Approval and selection of bid(s) for the 2020 street paving program:
 - Delta Asphalt of Arkansas, Paragould, AR - \$502,908.00
 - C-K Asphalt, Quitman, AR - \$524,312.50
9. Approval of change order on the Country Club Road improvement project;
10. Resolution – Approving the amounts of liens to be certified to the White County Tax Collector against certain properties as a result of grass cutting expenses and abatement of other nuisances;
11. Resolution – Authorization to accept a grant, execute and deliver a deed of conservation easement to

the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program, for the purpose of roof replacement and additional repairs for the American Legion Hut;

12. Resolution – supporting the House Joint Resolution 1018 of 2019 (HJR 1018 of 2019), proposing an amendment to the Arkansas Constitution to continue a levy of a one-half percent sales and use tax for state highways and bridges, county roads, bridges, city streets, bridges, and other surface transportation after the retirement of the bonds authorized in Arkansas Constitution Amendment 91, as special revenue to be distributed under the Arkansas Highway Revenue Distribution Law;
13. Resolution – Cities are essential: In support of fair, direct Federal emergency support to reopen and rebuild local American Economies;
14. Resolution – Encouraging the use of masks in relation to the Covid-19 Pandemic;
15. Ordinance – Colonial Heights;
16. Ordinance – Authorizing the Mayor to apply for grants for city departments;
17. Ordinance – Amending the Code of Ordinances, to include Section 31-4 relating to fence permits;
18. Ordinance – Amending the Searcy Zoning Code with respect to the zoning classification of a specific land area within the city, real property located in the 1200 – 1300 block of Higginson Street, from U-T (Urban Transitional) to R-1 (Multi-Family Residential);
19. Ordinance – Budget adjustment

Section 1. The budget for the City of Searcy, Arkansas, is amended in the following manner:

- a. Appropriate \$315,457.20 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund unappropriated reserves to the 'COUNTRY CLUB ROAD IMPROVEMENT' expenditure account (#14 5-900-54-01) for construction services on the Country Club Road improvement project;
- b. Appropriate \$29,303.05 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund unappropriated reserves to the 'COUNTRY CLUB ROAD IMPROVEMENT' expenditure account (#14 5-900-54-01) for engineering services on the Country Club Road improvement project;
- c. Appropriate \$200,053.77 from Special 1% Connector Route Tax Fund unappropriated reserves to the 'NORTH MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS' expenditure account (#13 5-900-54-03) for construction services on the North Main Street improvement project;
- d. Appropriate \$18,835.00 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund unappropriated reserves to the 'REGIONAL DRAINAGE DETENTION SYSTEM' expenditure account (#14 5-130-05-07) for engineering services on the preliminary design of regional detention systems;
- e. Appropriate \$5,922.00 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund unappropriated reserves to 'ROLLING MEADOWS/CLOVERDALE DRAINAGE' expenditure account (#14 5-130-05-02) for Rolling Meadows/Cloverdale Addition drainage improvement project engineering services;

- f. Appropriate \$30,504.98 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund unappropriated reserves to 'ROLLING MEADOWS/CLOVERDALE DRAINAGE' expenditure account (#14 5-130-05-02) for Rolling Meadows/Cloverdale Addition drainage improvement project construction services;
- g. Appropriate \$357.00 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund unappropriated reserves to 'ROLLING MEADOWS/CLOVERDALE DRAINAGE' expenditure account (#14 5-130-05-02) for Rolling Meadows/Cloverdale Addition drainage improvement project testing services;
- h. Appropriate \$10,000.00 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund unappropriated reserves to 'ROLLING MEADOWS/CLOVERDALE DRAINAGE' expenditure account (#14 5-130-05-02) for Rolling Meadows/Cloverdale Addition drainage improvement project right of way/eminent domain expenditures;
- i. Appropriate \$30,000.00 from General Fund unappropriated reserves to 'REPAIRS – AMERICAN LEGION HUT' expenditure account (#01 5-010-05-21) for roof replacement and additional repairs to the American Legion Building;
- j. Appropriate \$2,195.44 from Special 1% Connector Route Tax Fund unappropriated reserves to the 'NORTH MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS' expenditure account (#13 5-900-54-03) for testing services, surveying, and right of way acquisition on the North Main Street improvement project;
- k. Transfer \$7,294.00 from the Clerk's Department 'SALARIES' expenditure account (#01 5-100-01-01) to the Clerk's Department 'COMPUTER EQUIPMENT/SOFTWARE' expenditure account for the purchase of SONY Digital Paper electronic readers;

Section 2. The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to expend the following sums:

- a. \$108,217.06 to Regions Bank for payment on the loan for the construction of the Searcy Swim Center (#14 5-085-05-01);
- b. Transfer \$100,000.00 from the City of Searcy 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund to the City of Searcy LOPFI Fund for payment of LOPFI Retirement obligation (#14 5-190-05-04);
- c. \$315,457.20 to RL Persons Construction, Inc., for construction services on the Country Club Road improvement project (#14 5-900-54-01);
- d. \$29,303.05 to ETC Engineers & Architects, Inc., for engineering services on the Country Club Road improvement project (#14 5-900-54-01);
- e. \$200,053.77 to Township Builders, Inc., for construction services on the North Main Street improvement project (#13 5-900-54-03);
- f. \$18,835.00 to Morrison Shipley Engineers for engineering services on the preliminary design of retention systems (#14 5-130-05-07);
- g. \$5,922.00 to Morrison – Shipley Engineers Inc. for Rolling Meadows/Cloverdale Addition drainage improvement project engineering services (#14 5-130-05-02);
- h. \$30,504.98 to Burkhalter Technologies, Inc. for construction services on the Rolling

Meadows/Cloverdale Addition drainage improvement project (#14 5-130-05-02);

- i. \$357.00 to Arkansas Testing Labs, Inc. for testing services on the Rolling Meadows/Cloverdale Addition drainage improvement project (#14 5-130-05-02);

Announcements