

MINUTES

HORSE CAVE CITY COUNCIL

March 9, 2015

The Horse Cave City Council met in regular session Monday, March 9, 2015, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall. Present were Mayor Randall Curry, council members Vickie Rogers, Maronda Gibson, Perry Martin, Allen Harper, Jackie Buckingham. Council member David Lindsey arrived after the reading of the minutes. Mayor Curry declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Allen Harper led the opening prayer and pledge to the American flag.

Motion was made by Perry Martin, seconded by Jackie Buckingham, that the minutes of the February meeting be approved as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Voting aye – Rogers, Gibson, Martin, Harper, Buckingham

Voting nay – None

Absent – Lindsey

GUESTS

Cindy Greer with auditors Campbell, Myers & Rutledge presented the 2013-2014 audit. The city received a clean opinion. Mayor Curry asked that members of the council read over the audit and prepared for a vote to accept it at the April meeting.

Larry Jewell, the council's appointee to the Hart County Solid Waste Board, updated the council on the activities of the board, including the large item pickup April 9-11 and the June tire amnesty.

REPORTS

Ken Russell, code enforcement officer, presented his report.

Ann Matera presented the financial report for February and the year. She noted that an amendment for the budget to bring it in line with actual expenditures and receipts would be presented at the April meeting.

In a budget matter, the mayor noted the deplorable condition of the floor in the meeting room and recommended that the council approve the proposal of the maintenance department to put flooring on the large room and tile in the bathrooms at a cost of approximately \$3000. Funds would be taken from the budget surplus and moved into a capital outlay account.

Motion was made by Jackie Buckingham, seconded by Perry Martin, that the council approve new flooring for the council chambers and adjacent bathrooms at a cost of \$3000 with the maintenance department to assist with the installation. Motion carried 6-0.

Voting aye – Rogers, Gibson, Martin, Harper, Buckingham, Lindsey

Voting nay – None

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OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to come before the council.

NEW BUSINESS

Citizen Concerns – There were no Citizen Concerns voiced.

Council Concerns –

- Jackie Buckingham asked about the status of the new pole and street light on Dell. City Clerk Ann Matera reported that all the paperwork was into KU and the city was waiting on their installation
- Jackie Buckingham stated his concern that Horse Cave was losing police officers to surrounding cities. Motion was made by Buckingham, seconded by Martin, that the council give a \$2.00 per hour raise across the board to police officers on staff now. Motion carried 6-0.
Voting aye – Rogers, Gibson, Martin, Harper, Buckingham, Lindsey
Voting nay – None
- Allen Harper asked about lights out to the interstate. Mayor Curry said that he had been exploring this possibility and would continue to look at options.
- David Lindsey asked why police vehicles were worked on in Cave City rather than at local garages. Mayor Curry replied that the cost was much less in Cave City.

Departmental Reports –

- Police
- Fire – Fire Chief Donnie Parker ended his report by requesting that the council ban wood-burning stoves in the downtown business area
- Maintenance
- Mayor

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Perry Martin, seconded by Allen Harper, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried 6-0 by standing vote.

Randall Curry, Mayor

Elizabeth C. Matera, City Clerk