

August 24, 2020

REGULAR MEETING 1

The City Council of the City of Sherwood met for a regular meeting on August 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Those present were Mayor Virginia R. Young, City Attorney Steve Cobb, City Clerk Angela Nicholson, Council Members Brooks, Harmon, Lilly, McMinn, Heye-Townsell, Sanders, Williams and Broderick.

Council Member McMinn led in prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag.

Council Member Brooks, seconded by Council Member McMinn, made a motion, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on July 27, 2020 as transcribed. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Mayor Young opened discussion for the July 2020 financials. No comments were made.

Council Member Brooks, Chairman of the Advertising and Promotion Commission, stated the commission did meet. The date on the minutes should be August 5, 2020. The next meeting will be September 2, 2020 at 3 p.m. at the Bill Harmon Recreation Center.

Council Member Harmon, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee, stated the committee did not meet. The next scheduled meeting is September 14, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the Bill Harmon Recreation Center.

Council Member Sanders, Chairman of the Human Resources Committee, stated the committee did meet virtually through Zoom. The next meeting is scheduled for September 3, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Ordinance No. 2312, entitled, "An ordinance creating a grant writer position with the City of Sherwood Administration Department" was read. Discussion took place regarding the need for a grant writer. Council Member McMinn, seconded by Council Member Williams, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Council Member Heye-Townsell voted no. The ordinance was read for the second time. Council Member Harmon, seconded by Council Member Sanders, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Council Member Heye-Townsell voted no. The ordinance was read for the third time. Council Member McMinn, seconded by Council Member Sanders, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was 7 ayes. Council Member Heye-Townsell voted no.

A proposed ordinance entitled, "*An ordinance amending the existing zoning code with respect to placement of fences and minimizing sight distance impairments and for other purposes*" was read. Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Heye-Townsell, made a motion to amend in Section 4 Part B from (see subsection D below) to (see Section 14.10.13). The roll call vote was unanimous. **Ordinance No. 2313, entitled, "An ordinance amending the existing zoning code with respect to placement of fences and minimizing sight distance impairments and for other purposes"** was read as amended. Sherwood Planning Commission Chairman Rob Middleton addressed the council. Mr. Middleton explained the Sherwood Planning Commission determined that regulations on location, design and approval of fences is confusing and in need of clarification. This ordinance also addresses minimizing visual obstructions for motorists. Council Member Brooks, seconded by Council Member Sanders, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading as amended. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the second time as amended. Council Member McMinn, seconded by Council Member Heye-Townsell, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading as amended. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time as amended. Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Lilly, made a motion to adopt the ordinance as amended. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Ordinance No. 2314, entitled, "An ordinance amending the existing zoning code with respect to placing swimming pools in residential areas and for other purposes"

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was read. Sherwood Planning Commission Chairman Rob Middleton addressed the council. Mr. Middleton explained the Planning Commission determined that regulations on the location and security of residential swimming pools were found in the Sherwood Zoning Code and City ordinances. The consolidation of the regulations in the Zoning Code would be more efficient. Council Member McMinn, seconded by Council Member Brooks, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the second time. Council Member Brooks, seconded by Council Member Lilly, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. Council Member Lilly, seconded by Council Member McMinn, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Council Member McMinn, Chairman of the Senior Citizen Committee, stated the committee did not meet. The next meeting will possibly be in the fall.

Council Member Lilly, Chairman of the Street Committee, stated the committee did meet. The Kohl's Extension project from the sales and use tax bonds, now known as Baring Cross Road, is open.

Ordinance No. 2315, entitled, "An ordinance granting a Non-Exclusive Perpetual Easement to a certain portion of ground owned by the City of Sherwood, AR; and for other purposes" was read. City Attorney Steve Cobb explained to the council that in connection with the Circle K at the corner of Country Club and North Hills. A box culvert was built north of that property that slopes to the ground onto the Number 6 Fairway on the golf course, which is city property. Circle K is requesting a non-exclusive perpetual easement so that repairs and service can be done on that property and they won't be trespassing on to city property. Council Member Brooks, seconded by Council Member Heye-Townsell, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the second time. Council Member Brooks, seconded by Council Member Sanders, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Heye-Townsell, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 15-2020, entitled, "A resolution amending Resolution 14-2020 regarding the naming of a section of Highway 107 in honor of John D. Mundell" was read. Council Member Heye-Townsell stated it will still be one mile, which will be a little beyond McDonald's and a little short of Kellogg Acres. Council Member Heye-Townsell, seconded by Council Member Brooks, made a motion to adopt the resolution. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Ordinance No. 2316, entitled, "An ordinance changing the designation of the department primarily responsible for the collection of fines for the Sherwood District Court, and for other purposes" was read. Mayor Young explained changes were being made in the District Court regarding court fines and collections due to a new software conversion beginning September 1st. There will be two positions in the police department that will be transferred under the court. Council Member Heye-Townsell, seconded by Council Member Sanders, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the second reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the second time. Council Member Heye-Townsell, seconded by Council Member McMinn, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on the third and final reading. The roll call vote was unanimous. The ordinance was read for the third time. Council Member Heye-Townsell, seconded by Council Member Lilly, made a motion to adopt the ordinance. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Under new business:

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Sherwood Board Member for Rock Region Metro Kyle Wade gave the council an update on services for Rock Region. Mr. Wade stated that Sherwood budgeted \$88,498 for services for 2020. Rock Region Metro was averaging 20 trips through Sherwood. In March 2020 when COVID-19 hit, Rock Region had to restructure their routes. Route 36 through Sherwood was cut and has not been resumed since. During this time the city has not had to make payments to Rock Region. The board is looking at options for transportation for Sherwood: 1) Micro transit- this is an Uber type system for residents inside Sherwood to use. The cost is the same for the city as well as for the riders. This will allow riders to have outer and inner-city transportation within a particular zone 2) Van Pool – to be used when there are several riders going the same direction. To move forward with this transportation the board is looking at retiring Route 36 in the future.


Sherwood District Court scheduled a document destruction. Council Member Brooks, seconded by Council Member Heye-Townsell voted to approve the destruction. Council Member Williams stated that she has been asked to witness the destruction on Friday, August 28, 2020 at 8 a.m.

Mayor Young made the following announcements:


- Central Arkansas residents are invited to participate in the next Little Rock Air Force Base (LRAFB) Compatible Use Study Virtual Town Hall on Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. This will be a virtual meeting
- Sylvan Hill Church of Christ Blood Drive, Wednesday, August 26, 2020 from 3-7 p.m.
- Mayor Young congratulated Council Member Beverly Williams. She was named Vice President District 2 of the Arkansas Municipal League for the 2020-2021 year

No further business, Council Member Brooks, seconded by Council Member Heye-Townsell, made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

ATTEST:



Angela Nicholson, City Clerk



Virginia R. Young, Mayor