

...WHERE THE SOUTH BEGINS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 1, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Sandra Garrett, Allison Beasley, Carol Eagle and Glen Flemmons. Alderman Tony Lawhon was absent.

Audience attendees included Chris Liles, Jen Sines, Diann Smith, Bobby Gilliam, Greg Farley, Teri Patterson, Donna Oates, Allison Turner, Jud Ashcraft, Steve McFatridge, and Dennis McFatridge.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the November City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Allison Beasley and passed unanimously.

Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to accept the corrected November Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

• Fire Chief Dennis McFatridge had nothing to report.

Park Commission-Report Included

• Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that the contractor had finished the playground upgrades and installed the new exercise equipment.

Planning Commission

No Report

Police Department - Report Included.

 Police Chief Steve McFatridge asked that everyone watch out for your neighbors during the holidays and report anything suspicious.

Animal Control

 Jud Ashcraft reported that they had one dog leaving for the Maine shelter on Monday.

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith reported that the mayor, city engineer, representative from the Highway Department, and Jud Ashcraft met to discuss the problems at the park track. It was decided that since it is under warranty, it will be fixed.
- Mr. Smith stated that the Bonding Company has found a contractor to do
 the James Street Bridge project. He also stated that if the job is not done
 by May 1, 2016, we will lose our grant. If it is not complete, the Bonding
 Company will be responsible for paying the lost grant amount.
- He also stated that the city qualifies for \$250k in state aid paving money. He suggested that Red Oak Acres be done if the aid is received.
- He stated that the Sidewalk Board will meet on December 12th. Alderman Sandra Garrett stated that she and Ms. Brenda Oliver are still opposed to the proposed sidewalk.

Water Department – Report Included.

- Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that Hawkins-Weir just completed a sewer capacity study and it is currently at 70% and still has a potential for 30% growth.
- Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to approve the 2014 Water Audit which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

Old Business

• Mayor Carter stated that the manhole issue should be complete before the next meeting.

New Business

- Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to accept the submitted budget from the mayor which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.
- Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to accept the submitted Water budget from the mayor which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.
- Alderman Carol Eagle made a motion to accept the proposed amounts for 2015 Christmas Bonuses which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

Alderman Glen Flemmons made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

Certified,

Harmon Carter, Mayor



...WHERE THE SOUTH BEGINS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 3, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Darrell Hedden led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Sandra Garrett, Allison Beasley, Carol Eagle and Tony Lawhon. Alderman Glen Flemmons was absent.

Audience attendees included Jim Ferguson, Bobby Gilliam, Greg Farley, Jud Ashcraft, Allison Turner, Cynthia Carter, Nikki Martin, Joyce Johnson, Ray Newton, Diann Smith, Jami Doughty, Donna Oates, Dennis McFatridge, Fred Patterson, Jen Sines, Chris Liles, Steve McFatridge, Gary Case, Jane Stout, and Teri Patterson

Alderman Tony Lawhon made the motion to accept the October City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

Alderman Tony Lawhon made the motion to accept the October Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

 Fire Chief Dennis McFatridge stated that they have a great need for volunteers.

Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that the upgrade on the playground equipment and addition of workout equipment would start next week.
- She also stated that there would be a meeting with the city engineer on Thursday to discuss problem areas on the Park Trail.

Planning Commission

- Planning Commissioner Jim Ferguson stated that they did not have a meeting.
- He also stated that he was contacted about the "Manhole Issue" in Park Lakes Subdivision and felt like it was not business for the Planning Commission, but stated in his opinion, it should be the responsibility of the property owner.

Police Department - Report Included.

 Police Chief Steve McFatridge stated that burglaries increase in November and December and any suspicious activity should be reported.

Animal Control

No Report

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smiths' wife, Diann Smith, stated that Mr. Smith had been in the hospital since the 30th after complaining of a head injury that occurred while removing tree debris from Lone Star Baptist Church.
- Via Mrs. Smith, Mr. Smith wanted to inform that the highway department would be doing the Park Lake Roads and Michael Dr. soon.
- Alderman Sandra Garrett stated that Mrs. Brenda Oliver could not attend the meeting, but she wanted it known that she was still opposed to the planned sidewalk along her easement. Alderman Darrell Hedden and Alderman Sandra Garrett voiced their agreement with Mrs. Oliver.

Water Department - Report Included.

- Water Superintendent Chris Liles asked that the Council resend an automatic water increase that would take place in January. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to resend the automatic increase which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.
- Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to accept the draft for the 2014 Water Audit which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Liles asked for approval to pay off USDA Loan #92-04. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion and it was seconded by Alderman Tony Lawhon and passed unanimously.

Old Business

 Counselor Margaret Dobson stated that she had met with all involved parties concerning the "manhole issues" at the Park Lake Subdivision. She submitted a proposed written agreement between Mrs. Jane Stout, Mr. Chris Liles, Redfield Water Department, and the City of Redfield. Alderman Sandra Garrett made a motion to authorize the mayor to sign off on the agreement with edits discussed concerning time frame for repairs to be made and the discretion of the council to make additional minor changes within the spirit of the agreement which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

New Business

• A budget Committee meeting was scheduled for November 17 at 7 pm.

Alderman Carol Eagle made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Tony Lawhon and passed unanimously.

Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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Harmon Carter, Mayor

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...WHERE THE SOUTH BEGINS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 6, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Darrell Hedden led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Sandra Garrett, Allison Beasley, Carol Eagle and Tony Lawhon. Alderman Glen Flemmons was absent.

Audience attendees included Chris & Tracy Liles, James & Diann Smith, Jen Sines, Terry & Christy Peckham, Alta Day, Doris Webb, Joyce Johnson, Laura Nixon, Mandy Golden, Nikki Martin, Jeremy Williams, Marcus Burris, Eileen & Sonny Johnson, Dennis McFatridge, Ryan Garrett, Allison Turner, Tyler Seaton, Jane Marsh, Greg Farley, Cynthia Carter, Bobby Gilliam, Brenda Oliver, Fred Patterson, Terry Peckham, SR., Donna Oates, Jane & Steve Stout, John & Tracey Brockman, Donald Tucker, Todd Dobbins, Jud Ashcraft, Teri Patterson, Jason Anzaldua, Andy Banaczak, Marilyn Roberson, and Steve McFatridge.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the September City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Alderman Tony Lawhon made the motion to accept the September Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

Fire Chief Dennis McFatridge was called out to a fire.

Park Commission-Report Included

 Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that at the regular meeting it was brought to the commission's attention that there may not be enough land to place a full size football field at the park. After confirming this with the city engineer, a special meeting was called for the following Sunday and the Commission voted to abandon the football field project and instead upgrade the current playground and add 5 exercise equipment stations around the park trail. Mrs. Smith said she is currently negotiating with vendors about the price.

• Mrs. Smith also wanted the council to be aware that there were 2 weddings held I the park last month.

Planning Commission

No report.

Police Department - Report Included.

- Sargent Jason Anzaldua stated that Andy Banaszak would be the new officer replacing Officer Max Schrader.
- He also reported that the 2012 Charger had received a new motor after Donnie Via pointed out that it was still under warranty and should be replaced.
- The Halloween Safety bags for the school kids have also been ordered.

Animal Control

 James Smith stated that 2 dogs have been adopted and there is only 1 remaining in the kennel.

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith stated that they are currently doing culvert work and paving on Michael Dr.
- The James Street Bridge Project is still waiting on the Bonding Company to assign a contractor.
- Mrs. Brenda Oliver asked if there have been updates on the sidewalk project to which Mr. Smith stated there had not been.
- Mrs. Oliver also asked for the minutes to reflect that it was a sewer easement not a water easement as written. Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to make this change which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Water Department – Report Included.

- Water Superintendent Chris Liles presented the engineers agreement to the council for approval. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to sign the agreement which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Liles requested the approval to purchase a \$3,200 extended warranty for the 2012 Service truck. Alderman Tony Lawhon made the motion to approve the purchase which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed 4 for and Alderman Darrell Hedden opposed.
- He also asked for the council to approve the purchase of a \$5,000 sewer pump on Cara Jane. Alderman Tony Lawhon made the motion to approve

the purchase which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

Old Business

none

New Business

none

(Not on Agenda)

Jane Stout from the Park Lakes subdivision asked to address the council about the Water Department's denial of water service for the subdivision because of covered manhole issues. After a lengthy discussion between the council, Mrs. Stout, and Mr. Liles, Alderman Tony Lawhon suggested that the issue needed to be handled by the Planning Commission and the Lawyers. No other action was taken.

Alderman Tony Lawhon made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

John Brockman interjected that he had spoken to Mayor Carter and was told he could address the council about his water bill. Alderman Darrell Hedden stated that since the mayor had told him he could speak, they would listen. Mr. Brockman complained about his high water bills. He, Mr. Liles, and the council discussed it at length, but no action was taken.

Alderman Tony Lawhon made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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Harmon Carter, Mayor

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...Where the South Begins CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 1, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Sandra Garrett, Allison Beasley, Carol Eagle and Glen Flemmons. Alderman Larry O'Briant was absent.

Audience attendees included Chris & Tracy Liles, James & Diann Smith, Jen Sines, Terry & Christy Peckham, Alta Day, Doris Webb, Joyce Johnson, Joe & Jean Berry, Laura Nixon, Mandy Golden, Jeremy Williams, Guy & Tiffany Clark, Marcus Burris, Candi Burris, Eileen & Sonny Johnson, Ray Newton, Robbie Milam, Casey Newton, Dennis McFatridge, Ryan Garrett, Ray Brooks, Teresa King, Ricky Crutchfield, Allison Turner, Tyler Seaton, Jane Marsh, Greg Farley, Ronnie Meredith, Cynthia Carter, Bobby Gilliam, John Sutton, Mickey Graham, Jim Hogue, Brenda Carmical, Brenda Oliver, Chris Carter, Jock Carter, Todd Dobbins, Jud Ashcraft, Teri Patterson, Jason Anzaldua, and Steve McFatridge.

Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion that they defer from the regular agenda to address 3 items that are very important to the city and city council. It was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

Alderman Hedden recognized Recorder/ Treasurer Dane Fults for being appointed to the Arkansas Municipal League's Advisory Council for cities of the Second Class.

Alderman Hedden also stated that he had received a letter from Alderman Larry O'Briant stating his resignation. Mayor Carter interjected that he had been asked to do that and restated that Mr. O'Briant would be resigning. Alderman Hedden sited Ark Code 14-44-10 then made the motion to elect Tony Lawhon to fill the expired term of Larry O'Briant. It was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett. During the discussion Mayor Carter stated that this meeting should be the resigning meeting and there should be a month to before the vacancy has to be

filled. Counselor Margaret Dobson read the date on the resignation letter which was August 27, 2015. Alderman Darrell Hedden called for a roll call vote:

Alderman Hedden: Yes Alderman Eagle: Yes Alderman Flemmons: Yes Alderman Garrett: Yes Alderman Beasley: No The motion passed 4 to 1.

Alderman Darrell Hedden stated that he had been told that our Chief of Police had been suspended from his employment yesterday. Mayor Carter vehemently denied that Chief McFatridge was ever suspended. Alderman Hedden asked Chief McFatridge if he would like this matter taken into executive session or discussed in open forum. Chief McFatridge opted to stay in open forum. Alderman Sandra Garrett asked if the conversation had been recorded. Chief McFatridge said it had been, then Mayor Carter asked that the recording be played so we could see what he said and the truth can come out. After listening to a portion of the tape Alderman Hedden stated that he came to the conclusion that the Chief was suspended for 2 weeks. After he commended and applauded the entire Redfield Police Department, Alderman Hedden made a motion that the suspension of the chief of police be resented and the Chief be reinstated immediately which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett. Alderman Hedden called for a roll call vote.

Alderman Hedden: Yes Alderman Eagle: Yes Alderman Flemmons: Yes Alderman Garrett: Yes Alderman Beasley: Yes

Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Carter publicly apologized to Chief

McFatridge for any misunderstanding that took place.

Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to return back to the agenda which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the August City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the August Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

- Fire Chief Dennis McFatridge stated that 14 members had renewed their CPR training and 2 renewed EMT Training.
- He also stated that there would be hose testing and hydrant inspections this month.

Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that the meeting time had been changed from 6:30 to 7:00.
- All other information is in her report

Planning Commission

No report.

Police Department – Report Included.

Police Chief Steve McFatridge had no report

Animal Control

- James Smith stated that 19 dogs were handled.
- Alderman Darrell Hedden stated that he would change the wording in the animal control ordinance to be under the Street Department's supervision.

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith stated that the AHPP extended the grant until May 2016.
- He also requested to keep 1 person from his summer crew. NO objections were given. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to keep 1 P/T help for the remainder of the year which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and unanimously passed.
- He stated that the county should chip and seal around the Park Lakes this month.
- Brenda Oliver asked if there was any update on the Sidewalk grant and stated that she is still opposed to it beside her house on a water—Sewer easement. Alderman Darrell Hedden addressed Ms. Oliver and said he would support her opposition.

Water Department – Report Included.

- Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that David Patton would be taking over the Water Operator position.
- Mr. Liles asked the City council to approve a \$44,000 payment to USDA for loan #92-04. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to move the money to make the loan payment which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

Old Business

 Counselor Margaret Dobson presented the settlement offer in the plumbing payment dispute at the Police Department (Tidwell v. City of Redfield). Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to accept the settlement offer of \$2965.00 which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- Alderman Darrell Hedden presented Resolution 2015-07. Alderman Hedden made a motion to read the resolution which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously. Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to pass Resolution 2015-07 which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.
- Alderman Carol Eagle informed the council that the White Hall School District elected Hardin Elementary Art Teacher Susie James Maynard as Teacher of the Year.

Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Allison Beasley and passed unanimously.

Alderman Glen Flemmons made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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Harmon Carter, Mayor

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...Where the South Begins CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 4, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Sandra Garrett, Allison Beasley, Larry O'Briant and Glen Flemmons. Alderman Carol Eagle was absent.

Audience attendees included James & Diann Smith, Chris Liles, Steve McFatridge, Greg Farley, Cynthia Carter, Allison Turner, Donna Oates, Bobby Gillam, Todd Dobbins, Adell & Ray Newton, Dennis McFatridge, Jason Anzaldua, Brenda Oliver, Sherry Flemmons, Monica Granderson, Donald Tucker, Mickey Graham, and Christy Tapp.

Alderman Allison Beasley made the motion to accept the July City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Alderman Glen Flemmons made the motion to accept the July Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

- Fire Chief Dennis McFatridge stated that there was currently a burn ban.
- He also stated that during a house fire, a volunteer firefighter had to be taken to the emergency room. He reported that he is fine now.

Park Commission-Report Included

 Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that her report was presented to the city council and she would take questions.

Planning Commission

No report.

Police Department - Report Included.

• Police Chief Steve McFatridge stated Officer Anzaldua's car had arrived.

Animal Control

- James Smith stated that 9 dogs were picked up after multiple warnings.
- Christy Tapp representing the Friends of the Animal's group stated her frustration that the city was not doing more at the shelter. She stated the facilities were in terrible shape.
- Animal Control Kennel Tech Monica Granderson addressed the council to get some clarification as to why she was fire earlier in the day. The Mayor and council discussed the issue briefly until it was noted that this was a personnel issue and should be handled in executive session. No executive session was called.

Street Department-Report Included

• Street Superintendent James Smith stated that they had started the job on Michael Drive. He said it will take a while to get it done.

Water Department - Report Included.

- Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that he didn't have anything to add.
- Alderman Sandra Garrett opened discussion about the invoice to the City from Dobbins Contracting for raising a fire hydrant on Lot 41. She stated that if the work was done on private property, the City should not be responsible for paying the bill. Mayor Carter stated that in years past, if there was a problem with the system, the water department took care of it. Todd Dobbins stated that he relied on the Mayor and what the Mayor said to do. Alderman Darrell Hedden stated that once you start paying for work done on private property, you open yourself up to litigation from all the other developers who have fixed similar issues in the past. After more discussion, Alderman Glen Flemmons made a motion to deny payment of the invoice which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett. The motion passed with 4 for and Alderman Allison Beasley abstained.
- Alderman Darrell Hedden asked Superintendent Liles if he knew of any
 activity from Liberty Water in Redfield. Mr. Liles stated that they have not
 met with him at all. Alderman Hedden stated that under the Freedom of
 Information Act he requested any and all written communication between
 Liberty water and Mayor Harmon Carter. The Mayor stated that he did
 not invite Liberty to Redfield and they have not made any offers.
 Alderman Allison Beasley stated that she did not have an issue with
 Liberty Water looking at the town before making a presentation to the
 council, if it were to progress that far.

Old Business

- Counselor Margaret Dobson stated that the City Engineer told her that the Bonding Company in charge of finding a contractor for the Bridge Repair has been ignoring his calls. She stated that she will also talk to the Arkansas Historic Preservation Group on Thursday.
- Counselor Dobson stated that our property manager, Jordan Haas, talked to her and still does not think the \$20k from the Osbourne Property lease should be given to the City yet. She cited language from the contract as a source for his argument and on further inspection agrees with him.
 Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to leave the money in the escrow account which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons. It passed 4 for and Alderman Beasley abstained.
- Alderman Allison Beasley stated that after researching nuisance codes from other cities and samples from the Municipal League, she feels like our current code is fine. It just needs to be enforced. After a lengthy discussion, the council and mayor decided that per the code, the city code enforcer will assume the role of enforcement of our code. Mayor Carter said he would relay the message to Code Enforcer Travis.

NEW BUSINESS

- Alderman Sandra Garrett made a motion to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 2015-04 title only and waive the 2nd and 3rd readings and accept the ordinance which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the Emergency clause which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.
- Counselor Margaret Dobson read Ordinance 2015-05. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to accept the 1st reading of Ordinance 2015-05 which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and it passed unanimously. Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to suspend the rules and read the ordinance by title only and accept the 2nd reading which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously. Alderman Sandra Garrett made a motion to suspend the rules and waive the 3rd reading of the ordinance and accept the 3rd reading which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the emergency clause which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.
- Counselor Margaret Dobson called to order a Public Hearing with regard to bonds which are be issued for the water department. She read the public notice as it was posted. There were no objections or comments. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to close the public hearing which was seconded by Alderman Larry O'Briant and passed 4 for and Alderman Darrell Hedden voting "no".
- Alderman Sandra Garrett made a to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 2015-06 by title only and waive the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd readings and accept

the ordinance which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed 4 for and Alderman Allison Beasley abstained. Alderman Sandra Garrett made a motion to accept the emergency clause which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed 4 for and Alderman Allison Beasley abstained.

Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Larry O'Briant and passed 4 for and Alderman Sandra Garrett against.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

Certified,

Harmon Carter, Mayor



...Where the South Begins CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 7, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Carol Eagle, Sandra Garrett, Allison Beasley, Larry O'Briant and Glen Flemmons.

Audience attendees included James & Diann Smith, Chris Liles, Steve McFatridge, Greg Farley, Cynthia Carter, Allison Turner, Donna Oates, Bobby Gillam, Todd Dobbins, Adell Newton, Dennis McFatridge, Jason Anzaldua, Brenda Oliver, Sherry Flemmons, and Jud Ashcraft.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the June City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Allison Beasley and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the June Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Mayor Carter thanked the Police Department, Fire Department, and everyone involved in the 4th of July Celebration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

- Fire Chief Dennis McFatridge stated the Act 833 packet did not get submitted in March like normal, but has been submitted and we should start receiving funds soon.
- He also stated that there will be a CPR class in August, Pump testing and recertification on the 17th, and fire hydrant testing will be in August.

Tree Board/Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that she had no report
- Brenda Oliver stated her opposition of a new side walk potentially being placed on a city easement that runs next to her property.

Planning Commission

No report.

Police Department - Report Included.

- Police Chief Steve McFatridge stated that the check from White Hall School District was received.
- He stated that the new car has been ordered and should be here in 10-12 days.
- He stated that after much research about trading in the 07 & 08 Dodge, he found that the most he could get on trade-in value was \$800. He then decided to sale the cars. He sold one for \$1,000 and \$2,000.
- He informed the council that Officer Todd Davis had to resign due to an illness and part time Officer Marilyn Roberson would be taking his position full time. He also said that the vacant part time position would be filled this week.
- On June 12 the Police Department arrested 2 men who were attempting
 to break into a house and had already burgled a string of houses on Hwy
 365 between Redfield and Little Rock. He advised that if you see
 something out of place, or something that looks suspicious, please call the
 PD.
- Mayor Carter asked Chief McFatridge who had purchased the cars and Chief stated that it was David and Tyler Patton. Greg Farley asked Chief McFatridge how the cars were sold. Auction? Sealed Bid? Chief McFatridge stated that after talking to our state auditor she sited ASC 14-28-306. She said as long as there is not a city ordinance in place, the vehicles could be sold without bids or auctions. Mayor Carter then informed that there was an old ordinance that stated items over \$100 in value must be auctioned or placed to bid. (Counselor Dobson addressed this issue later in the meeting and asked the council for direction on how to amend Ordinance 1978-01. The issue was discussed at length and Alderman Hedden stated that he would draft 2 new Ordinances and present them at the August meeting.)

Animal Control

Animal Control Officer Jud Ashcraft and Amanda Spivey stated that there
were many dogs that were about to be shipped to Maine and the kennels
should be empty soon.

Street Department-Report Included

Street Superintendent James Smith stated that he had no report.

 Alderman Darrell Hedden asked if there was an update on the James St Bridge situation. Counselor Dobson stated that the bonding company and our city engineer have had several conversations and we are waiting on the next step in the process.

Water Department - Report Included.

• Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that he didn't have anything to report, he just wanted to present the ordinance for the rate increase.

Old Business

Brenda Carmical spoke to the council about renewing the city website.
 She discussed the positive points of having the website and answered questions. She stated that it needed to be renewed by July 9 or it would be lost forever. No action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS

- Counselor Margaret Dobson stated that there were two pieces of business
 to discuss for the Water Department. The 1st was the Ordinance and the
 other was that a vote was needed for the mayor to sign the memorandum
 of agreement that is required by the ANRC in order to proceed with the
 loan process.
- Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion for the mayor to sign the memorandum of agreement which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.
- Counselor Margaret Dobson read the 1st reading of Ordinance 2015-03.
 Alderman Allison Beasley made the motion to approve the 1st reading which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously. Alderman Glen Flemmons made a motion to suspend to suspend the 2nd and 3rd reading which passed unanimously. Alderman Sandra Garrett made a motion to pass the ordinance as read which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.
- Alderman Sandra Garrett made a motion to accept the emergency clause which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.
- Mayor Carter stated that he met with Liberty Water and they were interested in purchasing the water system. He also stated that he is supposed to meet with them again on Monday or Tuesday to show them around the town.
- Counselor Dobson stated that at last month's city council meeting it was passed to put the \$20,000 from the Osbourne property lease into the city coffers. Counselor Dobson later had conversations with Jordan Haas from Rental Realty who stated that the money should be held by the brokerage company as security for the full and faithful performance of all agreements and traditionally they hold all deposits for land lord-tenant agreements. After much conversation, no further action was taken.

- Alderman Allison Beasley asked if the future improvements to the water system increase will capacities or just fix current problems. Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that it would project 20 years of population growth. He also stated that there are engineers hired to do a study on the sewer, but the weather has not permitted it.
- Alderman Sandra Garrett wanted to go on record that she is opposed to the sale of the water department.
- Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that until today, he had no knowledge of Liberty Water's interest in purchasing the Water Department. Mayor Carter stated that all he knows is that he was approached by Liberty, he spoke with them, and he will talk to them again to get more information.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Larry O'Briant and passed 4 for and Alderman Darrell Hedden against.

Alderman Carol Eagle made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Allison Beasley and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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Harmon Carter, Mayor

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...WHERE THE SOUTH BEGINS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 2, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Darrell Hedden led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Carol Eagle, Sandra Garrett, and Allison Beasley were present. Larry O'Briant and Glen Flemmons were absent.

Audience attendees included James & Diann Smith, Chris Liles, Steve McFatridge, Gary Case, Greg Farley, Danny Brickey, Jr., Cynthia Carter, Allison Turner, Donna Oates, Bobby Gillam, Vernon Williams, Tyler Seaton, Todd & Stacy Dobbins, Ray & Adell Newton, Dennis McFatridge, Dennis Flannigan, and Jud Ashcraft.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the May City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the May Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Old Business

- Danny Brickey from Rental Realty stated that he had given a \$10k check to Recorder/Treasurer Fults. He stated that the check would be used to cover taxes on the Osbourne Property.
- He also stated that the \$20k upfront money from the Johnsons had been put into an escrow account. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to move the money from the escrow account and place it into General Fund Savings as soon as possible. The motion was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

Fire Chief Dennis McFatridge stated that RVFD had 3 new members.

Tree Board/Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that they had a meeting on May 21st.
- She also stated that at the meeting, The Redfield Chamber of Commerce had requested that the rental fee for the Ball Park be waived for the 4th of July Celebration. She stated that after Amanda Spivey excused herself from the vote due to being a member of both the Chamber and Park Commission, they did not have enough members to vote on the issue. So it was decided to bring the issue before the Council. After much discussion from members of the Chamber, Council, Park Commission, Counselor Dobson, and Mayor Carter, Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion that since the Chamber has goals that are in allegiance with that of the city and they have events that promote growth of the city and are essentially a nonprofit, then it is ok for up to 2 times a year for their fees to be waived for 4th of July and Founders Day. The motion was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Planning Commission

No report.

Police Department - Report Included.

- Police Chief Steve McFatridge asked for approval from the City Council to purchase a new School Resource Officer Vehicle. He stated that in the contract with the White Hall School District, it says that every 3years WHSD will pay for half of a new vehicle for the SRO. He stated that the other half would be paid out of the Police Savings. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay for half of the new SRO vehicle which was seconded Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.
- Counselor Dobson stated that she has not been able to resolve the issue with the plumber who did work at the Police Department and he has filed a lawsuit against the city and she is filing an answer.

Animal Control

 Animal Control Officer Jud Ashcraft stated that the kennels were full and had nowhere to put any new dogs.

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith stated there is about \$50k worth of paving that needs to be done. He stated that Michael Drive has to be fixed and he has received 2 estimates both in the \$26k range and he asked the council for permission to fix it. No action was taken
- MR. Smith introduced City Engineer Vernon Williams to speak about the James Street Bridge project. Mr. Williams spoke about the project and stated that the contractor lost his contractor's license on May 13th. He stated that he contacted the bonding company and requested their help to make things right since their bonded contractor was no longer able to do

the job. He also stated that the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program gave a deadline of July 31st to have someone on site or there is a possibility of losing the grant. He told the bonding company that if we weren't able to meet these deadlines that we would reserve the right to come to them to get this project done.

 Mr. Smith stated that he changed his opinion about the drainage on Huck Finn Blvd and thinks the job should be done.

Water Department – Report Included.

- Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that JC long was hired as an operator.
- He also stated that ANRC has approved the water loan with the contingency of a flat \$9.02 rate increase for everyone.
- Alderman Sandra Garrett made a motion to prepare an ordinance to modify the water rates to reflect what is necessary in order to accomplish the loan which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle which passed unanimously.
- Counselor Dobson stated that she has been working with Mr. Liles on policies that will address specific issues that arise and to help the water department run efficiently and impartially.

NEW BUSINESS

None

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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Harmon Carter, Mayor



...Where the South Begins CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 5, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Carol Eagle, Glen Flemmons, Sandra Garrett, and Allison Beasley were present. Larry O'Briant was absent.

Audience attendees included James & Diann Smith, Chris Liles, Steve McFatridge, Gary Case, Greg Farley, Danny Brickey, Jr., Jordan Haas, Amanda Tuck-Spivey, Cynthia Carter, Allison Turner, Donna Oates, Bobby Gillam, Ann Tuck-Rowan, Amy Strawn, Jessie Garrett, Sherry Flemmons, Brittany McFatridge, and Jud Ashcraft.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the April City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the April Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

Special Guest

Jefferson County Assessor Yvonne Humphery

Discussed assessing options in Jefferson County

COMMITTEE REPORTS — all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

- Fire Chief Dennis McFatridge stated that all equipment maintenance had been completed.
- He also stated that Station #3 was having repairs done because of ice damage to the roof.

Tree Board/Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that they had a meeting on April 16th.
- She stated that Stephanie Koonce from Hardin Elementary has requested to use the Park for the school's Field Day.
- She also stated that East End Elementary would be holding their annual Fishing Derby on the 1st lake on Friday the 8th.

Planning Commission

No report.

Police Department - Report Included.

• Police Chief Steve McFatridge stated Sergeant Jason Anzaldua had completed training that would make him a certified firearms instructor.

Animal Control

• Ann Tuck-Rowan and the Redfield Friends of the Animals (RFOAR) presented the council with a packet concerning the need to get a new shelter. They stated that they have had many verbal donations for materials, labor, and money. The council was also told that if they had somewhere to put the shelter and a physical address, the organization could apply for grants. The RFOAR asked the council if there is city owned property available. After discussions about possible locations Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion that after a review of the property north of the water tower on Hwy 365, the RFOAR move forward with obtaining an address for the shelter. It was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith stated that we are still waiting on the railroad bridge crew to tell us when they will be here.
- He also stated that AHPP really wants this job completed by June 30th.
- He stated that it has been a really wet month and street work has gotten behind, but with the help of some community service workers, they are almost caught up.
- He stated that the street and police department purchased a used auto lift to service city vehicles.
- Mr. Smith informed that he and Larry Reynolds finished and submitted the grant application for the Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Project.
- Mr. Smith asked for approval on a \$4,500 drainage project on Huck Finn in the city right away that was requested to the city by the property owner. Alderman Darrell Hedden asked if there was a drainage issue prior to being contacted by the new property owner. Mr. Smith replied, "No". There was no more discussion and no action was taken.

Water Department - Report Included.

 Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that he did not have anything water related to report, but he did want to recognize Water Clerk Jeanne Cooper who recently received an honorary doctorate from Arkansas Baptist College.

OLD BUSINESS

- Jordan Haas with Rental Realty addressed the council again about the Osbourne property.
 - He stated that they worked with Counselor Dobson to get a more uniform contract.
 - He brought forth 2 offers and explained both.
 - Tisdale Offer: \$280,000, taxes paid for 2 years
 - Johnson Offer: \$220,000, \$20,000 down, non-refundable, taxes paid for 2 years, \$100,000 performance bond.
 - Both offers require work to be done to the property.
 - Mr. Haas openly endorsed the Johnson offer.
 - o Mr. Haas, Counselor Dobson, and the Council discussed the offers.
 - Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the offer of \$220,000 from Johnson with a modification of the performance bond which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle. The motion passed with 4 in favor and Alderman Hedden abstained from the vote.

NEW BUSINESS

o None

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

-Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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...WHERE THE SOUTH BEGINS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 7, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Carol Eagle, Glen Flemmons, Sandra Garrett, and Allison Beasley were present. Larry O'Briant was absent.

Audience attendees included James & Diann Smith, Chris Liles, Steve McFatridge, Gary Case, Greg Farley, Ray & Adell Newton, Danny Brickey, Jr., Amanda Tuck-Spivey, Cynthia Carter, Allison Turner, Donna Oates, Jason Anzaldua, Todd Dobbins, Martha Jackson, Bobby Gillam, and David Hunter from PB Commercial.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the March City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the March Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

No Report

Tree Board/Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that they had a meeting on March 19th.
- She also stated that the new park flyer has been circulated and a Facebook page for the park is in the works.
- She stated that there will be a youth fishing derby on June 6th.

- She asked that it be considered for the park bathrooms to remain open during the day and most of the evening. Police Chief McFatridge said that he could have an officer lock the restrooms every evening.
- She stated that changes have been made to the RAA's user's agreement and is awaiting signatures from the RAA.
- No parking signs have been put on the fence of the Babe Ruth Field to prevent people from parking on the trail.

Planning Commission

No report.

Police Department – Report Included.

Police Chief Steve McFatridge stated that he had nothing to report

Animal Control

- Amanda Tuck-Spivey stated that there were currently 4 dogs sheltered.
- She also stated that they have material and labor being donated for a new shelter, but are looking for a location to put it.

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith stated City Engineer Vernon Williams thinks that we have the Construction Permit for the James Street Bridge Project.
- He also stated that due to all the ice and snow, the street department shop's roof collapsed. The city paid the \$1,000 deductible and insurance paid the remaining \$8,200 to repair it.

Water Department – Report Included.

- Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that Water Operator Brad Dobbins is resigning and will be very hard to replace.
- He also asked for City Council to approve the removal of the water tower on River Road. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to remove the tower which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- Danny Brickey with Rental Realty addressed the council again about the to the Osbourne property.
 - He stated that copper has been stolen out of the house, which is a huge expense for a potential buyer.
 - O He also stated that through conversations with Pulaski County Assessor, the City of Redfield qualifies for tax exemption, but is not signed up through the county. The Assessor also stated that even with tax exemption, Redfield will more than likely be liable for taxes since the property is not being used for city specific purposes.
 - o He also stated that there are currently 3 offers for the property.

- Alderman Darrell Hedden stated that he wants to be sure that all offers satisfy the obligation of the contract that was signed by the mayor when the property was donated.
- Mayor Carter, Counselor Dobson, and Mr. Brickey agreed to meet and go over the contracts.

NEW BUSINESS

- Counselor Margaret Dobson read Resolution 2015-06. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to pass the resolution which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.
- Counselor Margaret Dobson read Ordinance 2015-02. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to suspend the rules and accept the Ordinance as read the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd time and pass the Ordinance. Alderman Sandra Garrett seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.
- Alderman Carol Eagle informed the public that the White Hall School District will be holding a special election in hopes to pass a millage increase of 5.7 mils.
 - The mils will be used for a new fine arts facility, handicap accessibility entrance, new concessions stands, and a new indoor practice facility.
 - Alderman Darrell Hedden, as a citizen of Redfield, asked everyone to show up on April 14th to vote against this millage.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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Harmon Carter, Mayor



...WHERE THE SOUTH BEGINS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 3, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Carol Eagle, Glen Flemmons, Sandra Garrett, and Allison Beasley were present. Larry O'Briant was absent.

Audience attendees included James & Diann Smith, Chris Liles, Steve McFatridge, Gary Case, Greg Farley, Ray Newton, Ron Meredith, Jordan Haas, Danny Brickey, Jr., Ramona Donatelli, Cynthia Carter, Allison Turner, Ann Tuck-Rowan, Billie Branch, Jason Anzaldua, and Bobby Gillam

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the February City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the February Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

No Report

Tree Board/Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that they had a meeting on February 19th.
- At the Meeting they discussed the upcoming Ball season with RAA members.

 She also spoke about trying to increase Park usage using Facebook, flyers, Etc.

Planning Commission

No report.

Police Department – Report Included.

- Police Chief Steve stated that the audio/video surveillance system has been installed at the police department.
- He also stated that Sergeant Anzaldua will be going to Taser education class in May.

Animal Control

• Ann Tuck-Rowan reported there were 5 dogs at the shelter and hoped to be transported to Maine in March.

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith stated that everything in in place to begin work on the bridge. The contractor is waiting on clearance from the railroad before they can start.
- Counselor Margaret Dobson read Resolution 2015-03. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the resolution which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Water Department - Report Included.

- Counselor Margaret Dobson read Resolution 2015-04. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the resolution which was seconded by alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.
- Counselor Margaret Dobson read Resolution 2015-05. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the resolution which was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.
- Water Superintendent Chris Liles asked the city council to approve Williams & Anderson PLC for the Water Department's bond counsel. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to approve which was seconded by Alderman Allison Beasley and passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Danny Brickey and Jordan Haas with Rental Realty addressed the council
again about the possibility of providing their services to the city in regards
to the Osbourne property. After a lengthy discussion and viewing some
recent pictures of the property, Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion
to hire Rental Realty to manage the property with the stipulation that
Counselor Margaret Dobson does not find any conflict with the donation
agreement. The motion was seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and
passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- Recorder/Treasurer Dane Fults informed the Council that although the 2014 Amended Budget is on the agenda, he needed more time to finish and should have it ready for the April Meeting.
- Recorder/Treasurer Dane Fults informed the Council that starting in July, LOPFI will only accept payment electronically. He asked the Council's permission to go ahead and start the process in March. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay LOPFI electronically which was seconded by Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Alderman Carol Eagle made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Alderman Carol Eagle made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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...Where the South Begins CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 3, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Darrell Hedden, Larry O'Briant, Glen Flemmons, Sandra Garrett, and Allison Beasley were present. Carol Eagle was absent.

Audience attendees included James & Diann Smith, Chris Liles, Steve McFatridge, Dennis McFatridge, Jim Ferguson, Gary Case, Greg Farley, Ray & Adell Newton, Ron Meredith, Danny Brickey, Jr., Sherry Flemmons, Ramona Donatelli, Cynthia Carter, and Sonny & Eileen Johnson

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the January City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to accept the January Financial Report, which was seconded by Alderman Larry O'Briant and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

- Chief Dennis McFatridge stated that maintenance on vehicles was in progress.
- He also informed that on Friday the new antenna will be put up on the water tower. He expects it to cost \$1,500-\$2,000.

Tree Board/Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that they had a meeting on January 22.
- She also stated that the reimbursement check for the Park Trail has been received.
- She informed that the park building has already been rented 2 times with a possible 3rd soon.
- Mrs. Smith gave a copy of the Outdoor Recreational Grant to Mayor Carter. He had requested this information at the last Park Commission meeting.

Planning Commission

 Planning Commissioner Jim Ferguson stated that there was no meeting last month.

Police Department - Report Included.

Police Chief Steve had nothing to report.

Animal Control

No report

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith stated that they have finished the Cara Jane Project.
- He informed that there will be a preconstruction meeting about the James Street Bridge at 3pm on Thursday.
- He also stated that the State Aid Program has let bid to pave streets. Red Stone was awarded the bid.
- Alderman Glen Flemmons asked about the sidewalk program. Mr. Smith responded by saying the program had changed and he was waiting on more details and was not sure when funds would be available.

Water Department - Report Included.

 Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated he would like to cash out the Water Revenue CD and redeposit it into the newly formed ANRC Account. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to approve the transaction which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

 Mayor Carter asked that all departments inventory lists for 2014 be turned in by February 24. He also stated that 2015 Inventory lists would be due around September-October.

NEW BUSINESS

 Danny Brickey with Rental Reality spoke to the council about possible services he could provide the city concerning the Osbourne Property. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Brickey agreed to gather more information and come back to the March City Council Meeting.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

Certified,

Harmon Carter, Mayor



...WHERE THE SOUTH BEGINS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 6, 2015

Mayor Harmon Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Carter thanked everyone for coming. He also said he looked forward to working with everyone and thank all those who supported him.

Alderman Glen Flemmons led the group in prayer.

Mayor Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Aldermen Carol Eagle, Darrell Hedden, Larry O'Briant, Glen Flemmons, Sandra Garrett, and Allison Beasley were present.

Audience attendees included James & Diann Smith, Chris & Tracy Liles, Steve McFatridge, Dennis McFatridge, Jim Ferguson, Bobby Gilliam, Donna Oates, Gary Case, Allison Turner, Greg Farley, Don Lampkin, Ray & Adell Newton, Jason Anzaldua, Justin Ashcraft, Cynthia Carter, Sherry Flemmons, Ron Meredith, Sonny Johnson, Terry Peckham, James Eagle, Todd, Stacy, and Brad Dobbins.

Recorder/Treasurer Dane Fults informed the council that there was an error in December City Council Minutes and he said he would amend it. Alderman Glen Flemmons made the motion to accept the amended December City Council Minutes, which was seconded by Alderman Larry O'Briant and passed unanimously.

Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to accept the November Financial, which was seconded by Alderman Larry O'Briant and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – all Committee Reports will be included in the minutes

Fire Department-Report Included

- Chief Dennis McFatridge stated that Brent Carr was doing truck maintenance.
- He also stated that the plan to put the antenna on the old phone tower was going to cost too much money. He said he was going to meet with Douthit's to see if it could be put on the water tower.

Tree Board/Park Commission-Report Included

- Park Commissioner Diann Smith stated that they had a meeting on December 18th.
- She also went over some of the projects and activities that are planned. (included in report)

Planning Commission

 Planning Commissioner Jim Ferguson stated that there was no meeting last month.

Police Department - Report Included.

- Police Chief Steve McFatridge stated that through the holidays they had no reported burglaries.
- He also stated that Officer Donald Tucker was replaced with Part Time Officer Todd Davis.

Animal Control

No report

Street Department-Report Included

- Street Superintendent James Smith stated that the lighting of the James Street Bridge went well and everyone enjoyed it.
- He also stated that the Cara Jane Curb & Gutter Project is almost complete except for some asphalt work.
- He informed that the letter from Union Pacific has been signed and received. Counselor Margaret Dobson stated that the letter meets all the grant requirements so we can move forward in the process. Mr. Smith added that the only thing needed now is a letter of award to the contractor and he stated that he is not sure if the mayor is going to sign

the letter. Mayor Carter said he wanted to wait until he could talk to the new commissioner of the transportation department Mike Hill when he goes into office on January 14th. He stated that he would like to address the questions about the title and the ownership of the bridge. Mr. Smith stated that the contractors bid has already expired but they are willing to honor the bid if the award letter was signed within the week. Planning Commissioner Jim Ferguson stated that most contractors will honor a bid past the 45 days stated in the contract. Mayor Carter re-stated that he would like to wait until he is able to do more research before moving forward. Counselor Dobson stated that the Arkansas Code says that the city council shall have the care of the public bridges and shall cause those to be kept open, in repair, and free from nuisance. She also said she visited with a state engineer and they said it is our responsibility to repair any damage to the bridge. Alderman Glen Flemmons stated that we have been discussing this project for 2 years now. After much more discussion about the subject Alderman Darrell Hedden asked Counselor Dobson to read the before mentioned Arkansas Code again. After she read the code Alderman Hedden stated that it is Arkansas Law. He also stated that this is a public safety issue. After more discussion Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion that city council authorize getting the bridge fixed, a letter be developed awarding the bid to the contractor, and that work begin as soon as possible. The motion was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons. Alderman Darrell Hedden Requested a roll call vote. Recorder/Treasurer Fults performed a roll call vote:

Alderman Hedden: Aye, Alderman O'Briant: Aye, Alderman Eagle: Aye, Alderman Flemmons: Aye, Alderman Garrett: Aye and Alderman Beasley: Present. The motion carried.

 Mr. Smith requested a policy for what the Street Department can do on private property. Counselor Dobson informed that the Constitution states that no public resources can be used for private purposes.

Water Department – Report Included.

- Water Superintendent Chris Liles stated that he did not have anything to present.
- Alderman Darrell Hedden stated that the Water Department had been audited and there was only one finding which was a software problem.
 Mr. Liles also stated that the problem is being addressed and should be fixed soon. Alderman Darrell Hedden made the motion to accept the Water Audit which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

 Counselor Dobson read Resolution 2015-01. Alderman Sandra Garrett made the motion to accept the resolution which was seconded by Alderman Glen Flemmons and passed unanimously.

- Counselor Dobson read-Resolution 2015-02. Alderman Darrell Hedden made a motion to accept the resolution which was seconded by Alderman Larry O'Briant and passed unanimously.
- Counselor Dobson read Ordinance 2015-01. Alderman Glen Flemmons made a motion to suspend the rules and waive final two readings of the ordinance which was seconded by Alderman Larry O'Briant and passed unanimously. After the topic was discussed Alderman Sandra Garrett made a motion to accept Ordinance 2015-01 which was seconded by Alderman Darrell Hedden and passed unanimously. Alderman Carol Eagle made a motion to accept the emergency clause in Ordinance 2015-01 which was seconded by Alderman _______. Recorder/Treasurer Fults performed a roll call vote:

Alderman Hedden: Aye, Alderman O'Briant: Aye, Alderman Eagle: Aye, Alderman Flemmons: Aye, Alderman Garrett: Aye, Alderman Beasley: Aye. Emergency Clause passed unanimously.

- Recorder/Treasurer Fults asked the council to decide who will be authorized check signers. Alderman Larry O'Briant made the motion for Mayor Carter, Recorder/Treasurer Fults, and Alderman Hedden to be the 3 authorized signers which was seconded by Alderman Sandra Garrett and passed with 5 votes for. Alderman Hedden abstained from the vote.
- Greg Farley had questions about water quality issues. He and Superintendent Liles discussed the issues.
- Mayor Carter was approached by someone who wanted to cut loose wood near the water tower. Superintendent Liles stated that he talked to a Municipal League Attorney who advised against it.

Alderman Glen Flemmons made the motion to pay invoices, seconded by Alderman Carol Eagle and passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully-Submitted,

Dane Fults, Recorder/Treasurer

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Harmon Carter, Mayor