

COUNCIL MEETING

January 27, 2020

The Paragould City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall with Mayor Gaskill presiding.

The meeting was called to order with prayer led by Councilmember Farrell Gibson.

Those present were Jeremy Biggs, Jackie Branch, Farrell Gibson, Charles Long, Mark Rowland, Susan Williams, Randy Aden and Josh Agee
City Attorney Allen Warmath and City Clerk Andrea Williams were present.

Councilmember Branch moved minutes from previous council meeting of January 13, 2020 be approved as transcribed; seconded by Councilmember Williams. All in favor.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES:

Public Service - None

Finance - None

Parks and Recreation - None

Police - None

Public Health and Ordinances - None

Fire - None

Sanitation - Councilmember Aden stated the committee met at 5:30 this evening with Public Works Director Terry McAbee to discuss leasing a 2021 sanitation truck for 24 months for \$3,399.14 a month with a buy back option. Mr. McAbee stated that one of the sanitation trucks was involved in an accident and the motor has gone out on the backup.

Mr. McAbee stated that the lease is up on one sanitation truck and the finance company has agreed to let us continue making monthly payments until the new truck arrives.

Councilmember Aden stated the committee recommends leasing the 2021 sanitation truck. Motion may by Councilmember Agee to lease a 2021 sanitation truck; seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Roll call: Biggs, yes; Branch, yes; Gibson, yes; Long, yes; Rowland, yes; Williams, yes; Aden, yes; and Agee, yes.
Motion carried eight to zero.

Street/Cemetery - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PARAGOULD, ARKANSAS: APPLICATION OF GARY LEON WINN, SHERMA DICUS AND OLAN HANES– PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1704, 1706 AND 1708 WEST KINGSHIGWAY

Motion made that the ordinance be offered by Councilmember Agee; seconded by Councilmember Aden.

Roll call: Biggs, yes; Branch, yes; Gibson, yes; Long, yes; Rowland, abstain; Williams, yes; Aden, yes; and Agee, yes.

Attorney Brad Broadaway was present representing Gary Winn, Sherma Dicus and Olan Hanes. Kimberly Warmath, Ron Wiles, Wynona Clements and Angela Hoggard spoke in opposition of the rezone. Joey Austin and Sherma Dicus spoke in favor of the rezone.

Motion made that the ordinance be placed on the second reading by Councilmember Branch; seconded by Councilmember Long.

Roll call: Biggs, yes; Branch, yes; Gibson, yes; Long, yes; Rowland, abstain; Williams, yes; Aden, yes; and Agee, no.

Motion made that the rules be suspended and the ordinance placed on the third and final reading by Councilmember Branch; seconded by Councilmember Aden.

Roll call: Biggs, yes; Branch, yes; Gibson, yes; Long, yes; Rowland, abstain; Williams, yes; Aden, yes; and Agee, no.

Motion made that the ordinance be adopted by Councilmember Biggs; seconded by Councilmember Branch.

Roll call: Biggs, yes; Branch, yes; Gibson, yes; Long, yes; Rowland, abstain; Williams, yes; Aden, yes; and Agee, no. Motion carried six to one. Ordinance adopted. (Ordinance No 2020-04)

NEW BUSINESS:

ITEM #1

CENSUS INFORMATION

Mayor Gaskill handed out information and told the Council that the 2020 census will begin April 1, 2020. He explained to the council how important it is that we make sure every citizen of Paragould is counted.

He also explained that the census information is confidential information used to compile data and by law cannot be used against a person for any other government agency such as court, FBI, CIA, Department of Homeland Security or customs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the council, Councilmember Biggs moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Councilmember Williams. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 6:57 p.m.

Mike Gaskill, Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrea Williams, City Clerk