

AUGUST 21, 2023
5:30 PM
LAKE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
406 COURT STREET
LAKE CITY, AR

A regular council meeting of the Lake City Council was brought to order by the honorable Mayor Cameron Tate.

The meeting opened with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll having been called and the following members answered their names: BRENDA HUTCHESON, KATE WELLS, TOMMY EAKINS, HARMONY CASH, JAKE EMERY, JAY DAVIS. The meeting continued with the above members and the city Clerk Lisa Sitz present. (6/0).

GUESTS: Rep. Jon Milligan, Jack Critcher, Chris Walker, Rick Davis, Chad & Valarie Moody, Kayla Sain, Ted Qualls, Bryan Wells, Daniel Haynes

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Emery to approve the minutes from the last council meeting held July 17, 2023. Motion passed (6/0).

Mayor Tate discussed the financial statements and the liabilities of the City.

Mayor Tate explained the counter-offer of \$85,400.00 from Harmoni Towers to buy out the AT & T tower lease agreement. A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Davis to accept the counteroffer from Harmoni Towers of \$85,400.00 for the buy out of the AT & T lease agreement. Motion passed (6/0).

Jack Critcher with the Arkansas Municipal League presented Representative Jon Milligan with The Arkansas Municipal League Distinguished Legislator Award. Rep. Jon Milligan demonstrated exemplary service that benefited cities and towns of Arkansas. Congratulations Jon!

Mayor Tate discussed with the council about the purchase of a new police truck. A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Cash to give Mayor Tate the authority to order the 2023 Ram Crew Cab 1500 4x4 from Red River Dodge for \$36,929.00. Motion passed (6/0).

Mayor Tate discussed with the council the wastewater plant requirements. The city has options to consider. We can use ARPA money for the asset purchase and debt reserve and raising a 1 (one) cent sales tax to be put on the ballot in March 2024. The Council was in agreement about continuing with the 1 cent sales tax to help with the cost.

Riverside Coach Kevin Hall expressed his appreciation for the work the city did on Rebel Drive.

Next council meeting will be September 18, 2023, at 5:30 pm.

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Emery to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

CAMERON TATE, MAYOR

LISA SITZ, CITY CLERK/TREASURER