

CITY OF KEISER
Council Meeting
June 17, 2024

The Keiser City Council met in regular session Monday, June 17, 2024 at 6 pm at Keiser City Hall. In attendance were Mayor Rick Creecy; Recorder/Treasurer Peggy Sellars; and Councilmembers Donna Bell, Laura Smith, and Lynn Skaggs. Councilmember Joey Jackson was absent.

After roll call, Mayor Creecy declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6pm. Minutes from the May 20, 2024, and May 29, 2024 meetings had been read and were approved with a motion from Bell, followed by a second from Skaggs; and all said aye.

Financial reports were reviewed and approved with a motion from Skaggs, followed by a second from Smith; and all said aye.

Bell, representing the Special Events Committee, stated that the annual Fall Festival has been scheduled for September 20th.

OLD BUSINESS

At 6:20 pm Mayor Creecy opened the floor to allow discussion from citizens regarding a proposed sewer loan. Those minutes are attached .

- a. Attorney Taylor Clark of Eldredge & Clark of Little Rock was in attendance to finalize issuance of bonds for the city's sewer system project. This included the adopting of Ordinance 2024-02 confirming the rates for services rendered by the water & sewer system of the City of Keiser, and Ordinance 2024-03, authorizing betterments and improvements to the City of Keiser's sewer system. Both ordinances are attached to these minutes, along with the voting procedure to enact them.
- b. Trash Pick-up Ordinance was tabled until July's meeting.
- c. Road construction from Bruce Wilson to Jefferson.
 - i. Mayor Creecy presented a quote for \$186,000 for construction.
 - ii. A decision was made to contact the county judge for possible assistance.
- d. City Park Plan & Park Lights update
 - i. Park plan is included in council packets
 - ii. A new light pole is to be installed in the parking lot outside the fence past the bathrooms. Two 1000 W lights, one pointing east, one pointing toward existing playground equipment.
 - iii. Power loops are to be installed to run power underground into the park.
- e. Credit Card payments for water bills
 - i. The city began taking credit card transactions June 5, 2024.
 - ii. 22 transactions totaling \$986.81 to date.

- iii. Plans are in the works to offer payment via City website and bank draft.

NEW BUSINESS

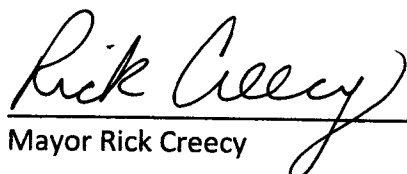
- A. Police Chief
 - i. Have had 3 inquiries on position
 - ii. One pulled his application
 - iii. One would require buying out his contract for the Academy.
 - iv. The position was offered to Hunter Taylor, but Sheriff Cook decided to not allow a deputy to also be police chief in a city.
- b. Park 2024 Timeline Goals – attached
- c. Building Permits
 - i. Murry Henderson Jr. – fence – approved
 - ii. Mark Henderson – fence – approved
 - iii. Rick Creecy -f fence – approved
- d. Municipal League Conference
 - i. Mayor Creecy attended the Summer AML Conference Wednesday- Friday.
 - ii. Verbal commitment for up to 90-day extension on sewer loan was granted by Director Chris Colclasure.
 - iii. In discussion with Jean Noble, Director of Grants Ark Economic Development Commission, our city was given the opportunity to survey only the Senter Addition for a \$500,000 drainage grant. Survey is underway.

OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Grants
 - i. A \$100,000 contract for Fun Park Grant has been signed. Check will be sent soon.
 - ii. A \$15,000 Park Grant for senior area paperwork has been signed. This project must be completed by 12/31/2024.
- b. Water Tank Project
 - i. Final payment has been made.
- c. 2022 Legislative Audit
 - i. Our city received no write-ups.
 - ii. An approval motion was voiced by Bell, followed by a second from Smith; and all said aye.

With no further business to discuss, Skaggs motioned to adjourn the meeting, followed by a second from Smith; and all said aye.

The next regular meeting will be July 15, 2024, at 6 pm at Keiser City Hall.



Mayor Rick Creecy



Recorder/Treasurer Peggy Sellars