MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
7:00 PM - Tuesday, June 2, 2020
Board Chambers, City Hall

Invocation written by L. Lewin and read by Melisa Glenn
Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pat McCabe
Call to Order

A. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Present: Directors Erin Holliday - District 1 (remotely), Elaine Jones - District 2 (remotely), Becca Clark - District 3, Carroll Weatherford - District 4, Karen Garcia - District 5 (remotely), Randy Fale - District 6, Pat McCabe - Mayor

Not Present: none

Also Present: Bill Burrough - City Manager, Brian Albright - City Attorney, Lance Spicer - Deputy City Manager, Harmony Morrissey - City Clerk

B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to Amend the Agenda

Director Garcia made a motion; duly seconded by Director Jones to amend the agenda to move item #5, R-20-75 to be the first item under new business. Upon voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.

Motion to Approve the Agenda as Amended

Director Fale made a motion, duly seconded by Director Garcia to accept the agenda as amended. Upon voice vote, the motion unanimously carried 7-0.

C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

> Regular Meeting held on May 5, 2020.
Special Meeting held on May 26, 2020.

Motion to Approve the Minutes as Presented

Director Clark made a motion, duly seconded by Director Weatherford to approve the minutes as presented. Upon voice vote, the motion unanimously carried 7-0.
D. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

E. CONSIDER CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Bill Burrough reported on the following items:

- COVID Task Force
  - Even though the number of COVID-19 cases from across the state has been concerning, we are pleased to report that there are currently only three active cases in Garland County.
  - Dr. Gene Shelby has attributed our county’s low case numbers and positivity rate to our county’s early and robust testing efforts.
  - We currently have seven testing locations available throughout the county, and we’re working to be sure our residents and guests all know where they can get tested. For a list of testing sites and more information, visit www.cityhs.net/covid-19 or call 501-760-4307.

- Help for those struggling in our community
  - At the task force meeting this week, the United Way of the Ouachitas shared that they have been inundated with residents economically affected by the pandemic, with people at their office and calling as soon as they open their doors every morning at 8 a.m.
  - The United Way has received funds to assist those in need, and the application is online at www.unitedwayouachitas.org/covid-19-application.

- H2O Hot Springs
  - We at the City are partnering with Cooperative Christian Ministries & Clinic to increase promotion and awareness of our H2O Hot Springs (Help to Others) utility assistance program.
  - We’ve added information on our Utility Billing Services statements about the program and activated an online donation form at www.cityhs.net/H2O.

- HSPD giving out "Patrol Packs"
  - The Hot Springs Police Department (HSPD) has partnered with the Arkansas Foodbank and AT&T to provide each HSPD officer with a "Patrol Pack" of food. The packs contain non-perishable food items that officers can give out to those in need.

- Thanks to Alliance Rubber for face shields
  - The City of Hot Springs received 250 donated face shields from Alliance Rubber Company to be distributed to City employees who want one for extra precautionary measures.

- Peaceful protests in Hot Springs
- This was a demonstration of the relationship our Hot Springs Police Department has with the community, and we pride ourselves on the training of our officers in the value of policing with fairness and transparency and treating all citizens with respect and dignity; we will always hold our officers to a high standard of conduct and work diligently to ensure our citizens and visitors a safe and secure place to live and work.

- Pleased to announce hiring of Chief Chris Chapmond
  - Chief Chapmond will assume the position of Police Chief on July 1; he was selected as the top candidate following an extensive national search and we welcome his extensive institutional knowledge and already established relationships within the community; he previously served the Hot Springs Police Department for 22 years in numerous roles and ranks with the HSPD, including two years as the Assistant Chief of Police; most recently, he served as Chief of Police at Bluffton, South Carolina.
  - Captain Billy Hrvatin will serve as interim chief through June.

- Hot Springs' Green Initiatives recognized by the Arkansas Natural Sky Association
  - The group surveyed Arkansas' 25 largest cities.
  - We provided a copy of our 2020 Green Initiatives publication, which outlines the environmentally-friendly City programs, projects and initiatives; includes all 21 City departments, with initiatives varying in scope from daily recycling efforts to the City's exciting transition to solar power.
  - In the Association's report, they noted that the Green Initiatives document "demonstrated a substantial city-wide commitment to reducing its environmental footprint" and that the energy efforts by the City of Hot Springs "come closest to rivaling Fayetteville's," which has an environmental director and passed an Energy Action Plan in 2018.
  - To read the Hot Springs 2020 Green Initiatives publication, visit [www.cityhs.net/green](http://www.cityhs.net/green).

- "Welcome to Hot Springs" mural on Cornerstone Water Tank is complete.

- The ADA Bridge at David Watkins Park is complete.

- Second elevator operational at Parking Plaza
  - The new elevator at the Exchange Street Parking Plaza was certified and cleared for operation in time for the Memorial Day weekend. The pandemic delayed the final stages of this second elevator coming online.

- Recent edition of the City employee newsletter pays tribute to fallen officer Bret Scrimshire
  - Scrimshire is on the cover of the recent employee newsletter, and we were happy to report the continued community support of his wife and children.

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with the latest fundraiser hosted by Chick-Fil-A raising more than $2,000 on May 18.
  o The newsletter is available at www.cityhs.net/newsletter.

F. BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCEMENTS REGARDING UPCOMING EVENTS
  • Mayor McCabe
    o Asked if the Farmer's Market was operational and open with guidelines.

CONSENT AGENDA SECTION
A Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Director Fale, duly seconded by Director Weatherford that the Consent Agenda be approved as amended.

Roll Call: Upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion carried 7-0.

1. **Consider Resolution R-20-71** A Resolution Appointing Brian White, Mike Dugan, Rick Ramick, Bart Newman, And Baker Jackson Goldsmith To The Hot Springs Planning Commission.

2. **Consider Resolution R-20-72** A Resolution Appointing George Garrett Schwobel, Henry Clyde Covington And Mary Frances Moore To The Hot Springs Historic District Commission.

3. **Consider Resolution R-20-73** A Resolution Appointing Brian White To The Hot Springs Board of Zoning Adjustments/ Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

4. **Consider Resolution R-20-74** A Resolution Authorizing The Filing And Acceptance Of Grant Funds Through The Federal Aviation Administration.

5. **Consider Resolution R-20-76** A Resolution Awarding A Bid To Goslee Construction Company, Inc. For Certain 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Projects Including But Not Limited To Construction Of A Bus Shelter And Improvements Along Park Avenue, Arbor, Cedar, Linwood And Hobson Streets.

6. **Consider Resolution R-20-77** A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of Approximately 52.45 Acres Of Real Property, ID # 94513, Located In Part Of The SE 1/4 Of SW 1/4, Lying East Of Wildcat Road, SW 1/4 Of SE 1/4, Section 19, Township 2 South, Range 19 West In Garland County, Arkansas; And For Other Purposes.

7. **Consider Resolution R-20-78** A Resolution Approving The Purchase Of Certain Real Property Located Along Water Street, Parcel ID# 55338, And Located In The Northwest 1/4, Of The Southeast 1/4 Of Section 32, Township 2 South, Range 19 West In Garland County, Arkansas; And For Other Purposes.

8. **Consider Resolution R-20-79** A Resolution Approving The Purchase Of Certain Real Property Located Along Ozark Street, Parcel ID# 55345, Located In The

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Northwest 1/4, Of The Southeast 1/4, Of Section 32, Township 2S, Range 19 West In Garland County, Arkansas; And For Other Purposes.

9. **Consider Resolution R-20-80** A Resolution Approving The Purchase Of Certain Real Property Located Along Water Street, Parcel ID# 55342, And Located In The Northwest 1/4, Of The Southeast 1/4, Of Section 32, Township 2 South, Range 19 West In Garland County, Arkansas; And For Other Purposes.

10. **Consider Resolution R-20-81** A Resolution Approving The Purchase Of Certain Properties Located On Leonard Street, Parcel ID# 94380 And Located In The Northwest 1/4, Of The Northeast 1/4 Of Section 18, Township 3 South, Range 19 West In Garland County, Arkansas; And For Other Purposes.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

- To Conduct A Public Hearing On The Proposed Issuance Of Waterworks Revenue Bonds For The Purpose Of Financing All Or A Portion Of The Costs Of Aquiring, Constructing And Equipping Betterments And Improvements To The City's Waterworks System, Paying Costs Of Issuing And Insuring The Bonds And Funding Capitalized Interest.
  - Mayor McCabe called the hearing to order at 7:25 p.m.
  - There were no public comments.
  - Meeting closed at 7:26 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Consider Resolution R-20-75**

   A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of Approximately 2.5 Acres Of Real Property And A Right Of Way, Part Of Property ID # 105813, Located In The Northern Portion Of 159 Catherine Heights, Section 13, Township 3 South, Range 19 West In Garland County, Arkansas; And For Other Purposes.

   **Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter, a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Jones, duly seconded by Director Weatherford.

   **Discussion:** Karen Garcia - District 5
   **Speaker:** none
   **Staff:** Bill Burrough - City Manager

   **Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call the following voted "aye", Directors Holiday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

2. **Consider Ordinance O-20-27**
A Motion to Suspend the Rules and Read by Title Only: A motion was made by Director Weatherford, duly seconded by Director Clark, that the rules be suspended and the Ordinance be read once by title only; and upon voice vote the motion unanimously carried 7-0.

A Motion Entitled, "An Ordinance Authorizing The Issuance Of Wastewater Revenue Bonds For The Purpose Of Refunding Outstanding Bonds And Financing All Or A Portion Of The Costs Of Betterments And Improvements To The Wastewater System Of The City Of Hot Springs, Arkansas; Providing For The Payment Of The Principal Of And Interest On The Bonds; Prescribing Other Matters Relating Thereto; And Declaring An Emergency," was taken from the agenda and read by title only (City Attorney).

A Motion to Adopt as Read: Thereafter, a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford and duly seconded by Director Clark.

Discussion: none
Speaker: none
Staff Report: Consultant Bob Wright, Financial Advisor of Cruz and Associates

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the Motion to Adopt; upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

Emergency Clause: City Attorney Brian Albright then read the Emergency Clause. Upon completion Director Weatherford made a motion, duly seconded by Director Jones to approve the Emergency Clause. Upon voice vote, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

3. Consider Ordinance O-20-28

A Motion to Suspend Rules and Read by Title Only: A motion was made by Director Jones, duly seconded by Director Weatherford, that the rules be suspended and the Ordinance be read once by title only; and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously 7-0.

A Motion Entitled, "An Ordinance Authorizing The Issuance Of Waterworks Revenue Bonds For The Purpose Of Financing All Or A Portion Of The Costs Of Betterments And Improvements To The City's Waterworks System; Providing For The Payment Of The Principal Of And Interest On The Bonds; Prescribing Other Matters Relating Thereto; And Declaring An Emergency," was read by title only (City Attorney).
A Motion to Adopt as Read: Thereafter, a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford and duly seconded by Director Fale.

Discussion: none
Speaker: none
Staff: Consultant Bob Wright, Financial Advisor of Cruz and Associates

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the Motion to Adopt; upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

Emergency Clause: City Attorney Brian Albright then read the Emergency Clause. Upon completion Director Fale made a motion, duly seconded by Director Weatherford to approve the Emergency Clause. Upon voice vote, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

4. Consider Ordinance O-20-29

A Motion to Suspend Rules and Read by Title Only: A motion was made by Director Clark, duly seconded by Director Weatherford, that the rules be suspended and the Ordinance be read once by title only; and upon voice vote the motion unanimously carried 7-0.

A Motion Entitled, "An Ordinance To Establish Boundaries For An Entertainment District In The City Of Hot Springs, And For Other Purposes," was taken from the agenda and read by title only (City Attorney).

Motion to Adopt as Read: Thereafter, a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Fale and duly seconded by Director Weatherford.

Discussion: Bill Burrough - City Manager
Speaker: none
Staff: Lance Spicer - Deputy City Manager

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the Motion to Adopt; upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

G. BOARD COMMENTARY
- Director Holliday spent time downtown with people during the Black Lives Matter
rally and wanted to commend the public as well as the City in their response.
  o Alex Stafford started the rally

H. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Director Jones, duly seconded by Director Clark, that the meeting be adjourned; and upon voice vote, the motion was unanimously carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

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DATE:

Harmony H. Morrissey, City Clerk

Pat McCabe, Mayor