

# Town of Cottonwood

## Council Meeting

### August 16, 2022

Members Present: Mayor James Coachman, Michael Capehart, Kellie Free, Van Granger and George Stringer

Members Absent: Angela Hackney

Mayor Coachman opened the meeting at 6:00 P. M. followed by a prayer then by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval to except the minutes from council meeting for July 19<sup>th</sup> and workshop on August 02<sup>nd</sup> as presented. Member Capehart made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from council meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup> and workshop on August 02<sup>nd</sup> as presented. There was a second by Council Member Stringer and the motion was approved unanimously.

Approval for the July financial reports were presented to the Council by the Town Clerk. Council Member Stringer made a motion to approve the reports as presented. A second by Council Member Granger and the motion was approved unanimously.

Colonel Smith presented the police reports for the month of July. There was a total of 166 calls for service, 09 reports written, 0 medical assists, 32 traffic warnings issued, 20 traffic citations issued, 4 traffic warrant, 0 drug arrest, 0 felony, 2 misdemeanor, 6 Arrests made and 04 auxiliary hours.

Trenton Hall presented the fire department reports for the month of July. There was a total of 14 calls for service, 03 building fires, 01 grass fire. 1 mobile property vehicle with injuries, 1 service call, 2 good intent call, 2 dispatched & cancelled in route.

Approval to sell property attached to Subway to Greg Smith. Roll call vote.

Michael Capehart – Nay

Kellie Free – Nay

Van Granger - Nay

Mayor Coachman – Nay

Motion was voted down all Nay's (Closed)

Discussion on five-year adjustment to Municipal Business License Issuance fee as of January 01, 2023, changed to \$14.00 issuance fee. Council Member Granger made a motion to except the five-year adjustment to Municipal Business License as of January 01, 2023 changed to \$14.00. A second by Council Member Stringer and the motion was approved unanimously.

We have a letter from Houston County Sheriff's Office with the intent to purchase two of the 2013 Tahoe for \$40,000.00.

Matt Darley as for a permit for a mobile office trailer (temporary). Council discussion what Matt Darley would have to do to the temporary office trailer. (Paint). Agree to let him bring

in a temporary office but must meet criteria with white coat of paint. Matt Darley said he would bring updated pictures after he painted. Council Member Stringer made a motion if he did the upgrade, he would permit the office coming into Town for 6 to 8 months. Council member Fee made a second and the motion was approved. Council Member Van Granger wanted it on record he voted nay.

James Whitehead gave his report 2021 Audit report/all looked good. Water rates still needs to go up. Sales taxes is up some.

We have two old pumps the have already been declared surplus and put on govedeal.com. The person that won the bid came to pick the pumps up and he was going to have to pull them, so he decided to no to get them. Town of Newton are needing the pumps and are willing to pull them. Council decided to let them go for what they sold for on gov.deals.com. Council member

There being no further business to come before this meeting, there was a motion by Council Member Granger to adjourn the meeting. A second by Council Member Capehart and the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

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James Coachman, Mayor

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Augusta Welch, Town Clerk