

Town of Cottonwood

Council Meeting

July 18, 2023

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

Members Absent: Angie Hackney and Michael Capehart

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

Approval to except the minutes from Council meeting for June 20th and workshop July 11th and except the minutes as presented. Council Member Granger made a motion to except minutes from the Council meeting for June 20th and workshop July 11th and except the minutes as presented. There was a second by Council Member Free and the motion was approved unanimously.

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

Fire Chief Randy Hall presented the fire report for the month of June. There was a total of 17 calls for service, 07 Service calls / Trees, 03 MVC, 03 Assist EMS, 02 Grass / Woods fire, 02 Building fire (Pansy/Lucy).

Tracy Adams discussed new bylaws for Fire Department will be passed and a new EMA Director will be voted in.

Colonel Smith presented the police reports for the month of June. There was a total of 164 calls for service, 08 reports written, 0 medical assists, 66 traffic warnings issued, 15 traffic citations issued, 00 traffic warrants, 01 drug arrests, 0 felony, 01 misdemeanor, Total Arrests made 02 and 08 auxiliary hours. Also discussed a new emergency entry bag.

Police Department also discussed getting a grant to help pay for several defibrillators. The match will be \$2,250.00. Defibrillators will be for the Police Department, Cottonwood Rescue and the Fire Department. Council Member Stringer made a motion to except the grant for the defibrillators and the match of \$2,250.00. A second by Council Member Granger and the motion was approved unanimously.

Discussion on new Town Clerk / Magistrate.

The Mahindra tractor is no longer running if agreed we need to approval to declare the old Mahindra tractor as surplus property and to sell it on GovDeal.com after discussion. Council Member Granger made a motion to approval to sell the old Mahindra tractor as surplus property and to sell it on GovDeal.com. A second by Council Member Stringer and the motion was approved unanimously.

Discussion on where the tree was removed need approval to have the bricks removed and fill the whole with dirt and packed down and have sod laid. We have a quote from Randy Henderson for \$1,650.00. Council Member Stringer approved the quote from Randy

Henderson for \$1,650.00 to have the bricks removed and fill the whole with dirt and have sod laid. A second by Council Member Granger and the motion was approved unanimously.

There being no further business to come before this meeting, there was a motion by Council Member Stringer to adjourn the meeting. A second by Council Member Granger and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

James Coachman, Mayor

Augusta Welch, Town Clerk