

City Council Meeting Minutes August 1, 2022

Sammy Hartwick, Mayor	Present
Stephen Ferguson	Present
Mark Hardin	Present
Ty Kelso	Present
Larry Johnson	Present
Richard Snuggs	Present
Matt Reynolds	Present

Roll call indicated a quorum was present.

Ty Kelso made a motion to approve the minutes from the July meeting, Richard Snuggs seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

Chamber of Commerce Report

The Greenbrier Chamber of Commerce welcomed five new members over the last month. The community survey that was distributed throughout Greenbrier finished in July and the next steps are coming up soon. Graham Brothers Electric was the business of the month. The AR Biz Assist event in July went very well with over 70 people in attendance. August will have the Back to School Breakfast and Expo, and the New Employee Lunch with the school district. August 25 will be a Back to School Bash for the community.

Resolution #2022-04 – To Apply for a Grant for an Amphitheater at Matthews Park City Attorney Dustin Chapman presented the resolution to apply for a grant through the Arkansas State Parks to help fund an amphitheater at Matthews Park. Architects have drawn renderings of a proposed project, and the City has sought out community feedback. It is a 50/50 grant. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mark Hardin, seconded by Stephen Ferguson, and passed unanimously.

Fireworks at Football Games – Mattie Clark

The Greenbrier Booster Club requested an approval to shoot fireworks at all home high school football games for the 2022 season. They will shoot the fireworks after

the national anthem and after the home team scores. Matt Reynolds made a motion to approve the request. Richard Snuggs seconded and all voted in favor.

Wastewater Impact Fees

Dustin Chapman addressed the current state of the collection of wastewater impact fees. The ordinance addressing impact fees was last updated in 2006, and in his opinion, is very vague. There is no definition of who qualifies as a "developer", which would affect who has to pay the impact fee. There is also no clear indication of when the impact fee must be paid. The fees are being collected, but on large developments there is not a set time when the fees must be paid – whether that be when the development is completed or when the lots are sold. There was a concern that a change in the collection of the fees that would require developers to pay the impact fees in one lump sum at the conclusion of a project may de-incentivize building larger subdivisions in the city. There was no action taken.

Act 605 Water Training

Dustin Chapman informed the council that the previous legislative session passed Act 605, requiring the city to have a Water Providing Governing Board made up of the council members plus two members from outside the City limits. Each member of that board must have at least eight hours of training by the end of the 2022 calendar year. Members of the board with 10 years or more of service are exempt from the training.

Matt Reynolds made a motion to adjourn. Richard Snuggs seconded and all voted in favor.

Sammy Hartwick, Mayor

Hunter Thrasher, City Clerk/Treasurer