

City of Luthersville

Council Minutes

May 9, 2023

Council Members Present:

Mayor Donald Cuttie,
Concetta Amey, Ricky Amey, Vallarie Cuttie, Paul Parker

Work Session:

The work session began at 5:45 p.m. with the Mayor and City Council discussing the items on the agenda; the work session ended at 6:00 p.m., followed by the regular monthly council meeting.

Call to Order:

Mayor Cuttie called the May 2023 council meeting to order.

Invocation

Council Member Concetta Amey gave the invocation.

Pledge Allegiance

Mayor Cuttie led everyone present at the meeting with the pledge to the American flag.

Adopt Agenda

Vallarie Cuttie made a motion, seconded by Paul Parker, and passed unanimously, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Public Hearing

Routine Business

Approval of Minutes:

Ricky Amey made a motion, seconded by Vallarie Cuttie, and passed unanimously, to approve the April minutes.

Financial Reports:

Paul Parker made a motion, seconded by Concetta Amey, and passed unanimously, to approve the General and Administrative, and the Water System financial reports for the month of April.

Departmental Report:

Mayor's Report

Mayor Cuttie Reported the Following:

1. That the county cleanup day was a success. The city had five dumpsters that were filled and two additional dumpster loads on the ground surrounding them. Crawford Grading and Pipeline assisted the city by providing the dumpsters and two of its employees, Ricky Thomas and Leighanna Dodds.
2. That the Headstart program ran into an asbestos issue in the classrooms and that an asbestos removal company will be at the complex next week to eliminate the issue.
3. That this past monthly utility billing cycle was the first time having had all the meters read by the AMI radio reading program.
4. That the weather alert siren has been tested, and routine testing is to begin on the 3rd Saturday of each month.
5. That Meriwether County, with the help of the Three Rivers Commission, will be working to update the comprehensive plan. This meeting will be the 2nd one of a series of meetings and will be held tomorrow/Wednesday at 2:00 pm.

Unfinished Business

1. Ordinance for the Control of Livestock within the City Limits:

Mayor Cuttie mentioned that the agenda item above says livestock, but he is mainly referring to chickens. That he with Safebuilt will work together to provide guidelines/codes for having chickens in the city limits, but the chickens will need to be fenced in and not running free in residents' front lawns.

New Business

1. Request by Shalonda Mayner, to use the City's Baseball Field to Hold a Kick Ball Tournament Event:

Ms. Maynor explained about the event being held for kids and adults alike to play kickball. And that there would be vendors/food trucks present giving away free food etc. Also, there will be no parking on the city's right-of-way.

Next, Vallarie Cuttie made a motion, seconded by Ricky Amey, and passed, with one abstention, to allow Ms. Maynor to use the city's baseball field to hold the event.

2. Resolution No. 2023 – 3, the Speed Limit for Local Streets, p. 19

Mayor Cuttie explained to the city council that the speed changes would be for local streets only and not the Mains or Oaks Streets. And that the speeds would be reduced from 35 mph to 25 mph. And by doing this it will enable the placement of speed dampers in needed areas. He mentioned that he would create an ordinance that names the streets of change and called for a motion.

Next, Paul Parker made a motion, seconded by, Vallarie Cuttie, and passed unanimously.

3. Review of the Operational Budget through 4/30/2023:

During the council work session, the Mayor reviewed the budgets with the council and answered questions and concerns. He mentioned that this is the city's line items balance through April 2023 and that he would like to call a work session for May 31, at 6:00 pm to work on the fiscal year 2024 budgets.

Next, he called for a motion to hold the work session.

Then, Vallarie Cuttie made a motion, seconded by Concetta Amey, and passed unanimously.

4. Review of the Water System Budget through 4/30/2023:

This agenda item was also reviewed during the work session, and once again the FY 2024 Water System Budget will be composed during the May 31st council work session.

Public Comments:

Limited to Three Minutes

Attorney Comments:

Council Member Comments:

Paul Parker mentioned that he had received several complaints concerning the grass-cutting on the city streets.

And Mayor Cuttie stated that it was the first cutting by the new company and that he would have a discussion with them.

Executive Session:

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, Vallarie Cuttie made a motion, seconded by Concetta Amey, that passed unanimously to end the meeting.