

NITRO CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 6, 2021
7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Dave Casebolt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in Nitro Church of Christ. The following Councilmembers were in attendance with Mayor Casebolt: Recorder Rita Cox, Ward 2 Councilwoman Cynthia Rice, Ward 3 Councilman Joe Murphy, Ward 4 Councilman Michael Hill, Councilwoman at Large Emily Barr, Councilmen at Large Bill Javins and Andy Shamblin, City Attorney Johnnie Brown, and City Treasurer John Young. Ward 1 Councilwoman Donna Boggs was not present.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Invocation was given by Councilman Shamblin and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Recorder Cox.

FUTURE DATES OF COUNCIL: Mayor Casebolt said the future dates of Council are April 20 and May 4 and 18.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: RECORDER RITA COX MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 2 AND COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS MADE A SECOND TO THE MOTION. VOTE WAS FOR THE MOTION.

RECORDER COX MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 16 WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILWOMAN BARR. THE MOTION CARRIED.

SWEARING IN NEW FIREFIGHTERS: Mayor Dave Casebolt administered the Oath of Service to two new firefighters: Jacob Hernandez and Zachary Witt. They were welcomed by member of Council, Chief Mathes, other firefighters, and city employees who were present.

OLD BUSINESS

INCREASING AMOUNT FOR STOCKING FISH IN RIDENOUR LAKE FROM \$1000 TO \$1500: COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS MADE THE MOTION TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT FOR STOCKING FISH IN RIDENOUR LAKE ON A MONTHLY BASIS FROM \$1000 TO \$1500. THERE WAS A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN MICHAEL HILL AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

RIVERFEST: COUNCILMAN ANDY SHAMBLIN MADE THE MOTION TO HOLD THE RIVERFEST ON JUNE 16 THROUGH JUNE 19, 2021. COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS MADE A SECOND TO THE MOTION. Mayor Casebolt said the Riverfest will be downsized this year due to the pandemic and several other factors but there will be some activities including a carnival. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL OF COUNCIL VOTING FOR THE MOTION.

NEW BUSINESS

SOFTWARE PURCHASE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT: A. J. Shinn informed Council of software that is available that will enable both the Building Department and Fire Department to merge reports and information into one database. City Attorney Johnnie Brown recommend that the software purchase be put out for bid.

REQUEST TO COMPLETE EXTERIOR WORK ON FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Casey Mathes said he would like to have the Nitro Fire Department building completely covered like to front of the building is with the

stucco and stone finishes. He said it should cost about \$9000 to finish the side and back of the building Attorney Johnnie Brown said that due to the proposed amount of work the city is required to solicit bids for the work.

BROADBAND INVESTMENT: Mayor Casebolt said he met recently with a person who is interested in bringing broadband to Nitro. COUNCILMAN JOE MURPHY MADE THE MOTION TO FORM A COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF COUNCILWOMAN BARR, COUNCILMEN MURPHY AND HILL, KIM REED, AND JOE STEVENS WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILWOMAN EMILY BARR TO CONSIDER BROADBAND INVESTMENT AND REPORT BACK TO COUNCIL.

ADDITIONAL PICKLEBALL COURTS: Mayor Casebolt said he would like to put additional pickleball courts in at the Nitro City Park because of the interest and participation in the sport. He said these is an active intramural pickleball program at Nitro High School.

RESOLUTION FOR HUNTINGTON BANK ACCOUNT TRACKING FEDERAL MONEY: COUNCILMAN ANDY SHAMBLIN MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR A BANK ACCOUNT FOR FEDERAL MONEY WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION TO CARRY.

LEASING SANITARY BOARD EQUIPMENT: John Young said this item will be discussed at a later date.

BUDGET REVISIONS AND RESOLUTIONS: RECORDER RITA COX MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION FOR COAL SERVERANCE FUND 1, REVISION 1 WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN MICHAEL HILL. THE MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCILWOMAN EMILY BARR MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION FOR GENERAL FUND 1, REVISION 5, WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN ANDY SHAMBLIN. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

EXECUTIVE SESSION/PROPERTY PURCHASE CONSIDERATION: COUNCILMAN MURPHY MADE THE MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSIDER PROPERTY PURCHASE AND THERE WAS A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:55 PM
EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED: 8:30 PM

COUNCILMAN ANDY SHAMBLIN MADE THE MOTION TO MAKE AN OFFER ON THE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE HAIKAL FAMILY IN THE RIDENOUR LAKE AREA WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN BILL JAVINS. VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS FOR THE MOTION.

TREASURER REPORT: COUNCILMAN JAVINS MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORTS FROM THE TREASURER. THERE WAS A SECOND BY COUNCILMAN HILL AND A VOTE FOR THE MOTION TO CARRY.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Johnnie Brown did not have a report for Council.

MAYOR COMMENTS: Mayor Casebolt said the work on the Little League fields installing turf is almost complete.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: There were no comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments

ADJOURNMENT: COUNCILMAN MURPHY MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN. THERE WAS A SECOND BY COUNCILWOMAN BARR AND A VOTE FOR THE MOTION.

DAVE CASEBOLT, MAYOR

RITA COX, RECORDER