Fayetteville Town Council met in Regular Session on February 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

Present were Mayor Sharon Cruikshank, Recorder Zenda Vance, Council Members Stanley Boyd, Lori Tabit, Okey Skidmore, Brian Good, and Gabe Peña. Also present were Chief of Police Glenn Chapman, Town Attorney Carl Harris, Town Superintendent Matt Diederich, Fire Chief John Vernon, and Treasurer Kathy Williams.

Prayer was offered by Sharon Cruikshank.

Mayor Cruikshank called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Cruikshank.

Reading and action on minutes from January 6, 2023. Okey Skidmore moved to approve and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Zenda Vance approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Reading and action on minutes from January 19, 2023. Okey Skidmore moved to approve and Stanley Boyd seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Lori Tabit and Zenda Vance approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Review and approval of financial report. Stanley Boyd moved to approve and Zenda Vance seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

GENERAL COMMENTS AND REMINDERS

Community Clean up second weekend of each month. Supplies are available at Town Hall.

APPOINTMENTS:

Ben Morgan to Food Truck Committee. Lori Tabit moved to approve and Brian Good seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd,

Zenda Vance, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Lewis Rhinehart to Food Truck Committee. Lori Tabit moved to approve and Stanley Boyd seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Zenda Vance, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

COUNCIL/BOARD COMMENTS:

Stanley Boyd said the Wizard Weekend and Dr Cook's book signing was a great success. Complemented the Street Department for how fast they got the Christmas decorations down. Glad to see the charging station complete.

Brian Good complemented Chief of Police Glenn Chapman for a situation and the swift attention his department used to address the issue. Street Crew does a great job.

Okey Skidmore said there will be high school basketball at the Memorial Building Tuesday if anyone would like to see a good game.

Lori Tabit thanked the CVB and Tabitha Stover for a great Wizard weekend.

Gabe Peña said it was an amazing weekend and with the basketball games going on Town was very busy. The Town definitely needs more parking.

Zenda Vance said she has had complaints about the Post Office not having a handicap accessible entrance. Some people are not able to climb the steps to get into the Post Office. The past weekend was great and Dr Cook signed about 100 books.

Fire Chief John Vernon said they had 18 calls in January and used 156 man hours.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief of Police Glenn Chapman said his department is down 1 position. Uncertified Officer can't do anything and another class won't be starting for a while. Coalition appreciation dinner recognized Officer Cindy Kennedy for the work she does with kids. Report on property looks good. The mobile trailer the department purchased will need further action from Council since it is owned by the Bank.

TOWN SUPERINTENDENT: See attached report

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Sarah from Thasher said they are still working on the Lively Street project. They are looking at ways the Town can get grants to help with the funding.

Unfinished Business:

Budget Revision General Fund. Zenda Vance moved to approve and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

New Business:

Discuss and act on setting 2024 Budget date between March 7-28, 2023. Council decided the date will be March 14, 2023 at 8 a.m. Zenda Vance moved to approve and Stanley Boyd seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on closing the K9 account at FCNB and move into Contingency Fund at FCNB (\$217). Stanley Boyd moved to approve and Okey Skidmore seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Zenda Vance, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss, update and act on the electric charging station free or fee (donation or parking meters) Mid December to mid January it used \$38.00. Matt checked with several towns who have the electric chargers and they have a donation box and takes care of the fee.

Stanley Boyd moved to install donation box for now to see if that handles the expense, if not Council can readdress, and Gabe Peña seconded the motion. Brian Good, Zenda Vance, Lori Tabit, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Lori Tabit asked to move #5 to end of agenda and Stanley Boyd seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Zenda Vance, and Okey Skidmore approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on purchasing CivicPlus Software to be used to digitalize meeting agendas and minutes. There will be a \$1,000.00 set up fee for training and \$3,900.00 yearly. The Council minutes and 1 other board will be scanned in first. Each additional board will cost \$300.00. Okey Skidmore moved to approve pending backup information and Lori Tabit seconded the motion. Brian Good, Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, and Zenda Vance approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Discuss and act on signing contract with American Ramp Company for construction Paved Pump Track. MOU, New River Regional Development Office is responsible for the money and it protects us and it is in place. Brian Good moved to approve and Okey Skidmore seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Stanley Boyd moved to go into Executive Session. Council went into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. and reconvened at 7:30 p.m. with no decisions rendered.

Discuss and act on 2022 Town employee evaluations and possible merit raises. Brian Good moved to approve a 3-5 percent increase and Okey Skidmore seconded the motion. Gabe Peña, Stanley Boyd, Zenda Vance, and Lori Tabit approved the motion. Motion carries 6-0.

Zenda Vance made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Mayor Sharon Cruikshank	Recorder Zenda L Vance