

NEW CORDELL CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes of Public Hearing

Monday, August 29, 2022

The New Cordell City Council met at the Cordell Community Center at 101 East Main behind City Hall on August 29, 2022 with six council members present including: Zetta Penner, Sheri Parsons, Jamie Bardwell, Tad Boone, Earlene Smith, and James Newman. Also present were Mayor Jerry Beech, City Attorney Johnny Beech, Interim City Administrator Vicki Hagerman, and Deputy City Clerk Karla Ferrero. Council Members Steve McLaughlin and Lowell Holman were absent. Others in attendance were Charlie Brown, Jeff Jackson, and Amy Riggs.

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM:

Mayor Beech called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Deputy City Clerk Ferrero called roll, and a quorum was declared to be present.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING:

Public comments will be heard after Council and Board discussion.

FOR CLOSING OF PUBLIC WAY (ALLEY) RUNNING EAST OF NORTH GLENN L. ENGLISH STREET AND LOCATED IN THE FORMER HILLCREST 2ND ADDITION NOW KNOWN AS THE MARLEY ESTATES ADDITION.

Mayor Beech stated and explained the purpose of the public hearing. The court date to confirm the closing is set for September 21st, 2022. Council asked why there had to be a court date and was advised it is how the Oklahoma Statutes are set up, to confirm the closure with the District Court. City Attorney Johnny Beech stated that he had received two statements of concern from Southwestern Bell and a second entity but that he had been unable to get in contact with them to discuss their concerns. When the alley is closed a “run with the land” easement will go into effect simultaneously. Coldbar has paid the city \$25,000 for a transformer for Family Dollar. The City will be the electric provider for the Family Dollar, there was some discussion with CK on who would be the electric provider. Council asked if that was up for debate and was advised that that was the new information that the City had received just before the last public hearing. The City Administrator and the City Attorney met with the Assistant Manager and Engineer of CK on Wednesday August 24th, and discussed who would be responsible for providing the electric and CK conceded the electric to Family Dollar to the City.

Jeff Jackson from JAMAC spoke on a related concern that he had regarding the sewer line to JAMAC’s property directly to the North of the proposed Family Dollar Building. Presently JAMAC’s sewer line runs under the old USDA building’s property, and he is concerned about its integrity and continued access when Family Dollar is built on that site. He wants the city to build a sewer line extension N-S from the current main to the edge of JAMAC’s property since there is not any public sewer line close to JAMAC’s property. Mayor Beech pointed out that this would be discussed in the City Council Meeting as an item.

ADJOURNMENT of PUBLIC HEARING:

Council Member Newman made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Council Member Boone.

Vote called: Aye: Penner, Parsons, Bardwell, Boone, Smith, Newman.

Nay: 0

Motion carried: Aye: 6

Nay: 0

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The public hearing was adjourned at 6:08 pm.

Jerry Beech/ Mayor

Karla Ferrero/ Deputy City Clerk