

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Present were Mayor John Althoff and Council Members Morris Mattson, Bill Duncan, Derek Lundell, Mary Jill Bringgold, Matt Montgomery, and Steve Gesme. Also present were Dave Maroney, City Administrator; Lanell Endres, Finance Director/ Assistant City Administrator; and Jeffrey McCormick, Police Chief

Call to Order Mayor Althoff called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call All members were present.

Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Althoff led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda Mayor Althoff noted that information to be provided by Cannon Falls Area Chamber of Commerce President Kyle Paulson had been added to the Reports section of the meeting. A motion was made by Council Member Duncan, seconded by Council Member Mattson and unanimously carried, to approve the Agenda.

Consent Agenda ~~A. Just and Correct Claims—Accounting Period Ending August 29, 2019~~
This item was pulled by Council Member Mattson
B. Meeting Minutes for August 20, 2019, City Council Meeting
C. Meeting Minutes for August 20, 2019, City Council Work Session
D. Disposal of Unclaimed/Abandoned Bicycles
E. Resolution 2438, Designating Polling Places for 2020
F. Veterans Lane Street Closure
G. Hire Unscheduled Part-Time Employee for Ambulance Department
H. Resolution 2439, Accepting Donation of \$250 from Gemini, Inc. to Fire Department
I. Cannon Falls Lions Mobile Food Unit

A motion was made by Council Member Bringgold, seconded by Council Member Duncan and unanimously carried, to approve the Consent Agenda, minus item A.

Just and Correct
Claims – Accounting
Period Ending August
29, 2019

Council Member Mattson inquired regarding an expense for Legacy Kitchen and Design in the amount of \$10,700, asking whether that was for the museum house. Finance Director/Assistant City Administrator Endres clarified that was the case.

Finance Director/Assistant Administrator Endres noted that there was damage from the storm the previous year that had been repaired. Council Member Mattson asked about insurance coverage, and Finance Director/Assistant Administrator Endres provided additional

information.

A motion was made by Council Member Mattson, seconded by Council Member Bringgold and unanimously carried, to approve the just and correct claims for the accounting period ending August 29, 2019.

Council
Committees/
Commissions and
Nonprofit
Organizations
Reports

Kyle Paulson, President of the Cannon Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, discussed upcoming events. She provided details regarding the final Fun Fest, to be held on Thursday, September 12, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. She referenced the Events section of the Cannon Falls website and discussed Flavor of the Falls activities. She also discussed the Deck the Falls event on November 30. Trolley rides were discussed.

City Administrator Maroney noted that the agenda for the Personnel Committee included topics relating to the Public Works Department. He provided an update regarding the process for identifying an Interim Public Works Director along with the process for hiring a new Public Works Director as soon as possible. He discussed the hiring process for the Maintenance II position. He reported that Aftin Otto has accepted a position with the School District, which would create a Utility Billing Clerk opening.

Staff Reports

Police Chief McCormick reviewed information he received from the organizers of the Defeat of Jesse James Days rodeo, who indicated that on September 6 the rodeo would be dedicated to first responders and requested the attendance of members of the Police, Fire, and Ambulance Departments. He asked whether the City Council would be in favor of sending a squad car to this event, and Council Members expressed agreement with this plan.

Mayor and Council
Reports

Council Member Gesme commented that the public access channel was advertising for a technician and invited anyone interested in this position to apply.

Council Member Montgomery reported that the Park Board approved the formation of a pool committee. He stated that the next Park Board meeting was scheduled for September 11 at beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Public Input

Mayor Althoff reviewed the public input procedure.

Brenda Voshalike, Cannon Falls, commented regarding the budget planning process for the Public Safety Department. She reviewed

information from the 2019 budget from a cost-per-hour perspective. She suggested that Council Members not compare apples to oranges and consider the value that was received from these budgeted funds.

Adam Peters, Cannon Falls, commented that Cannon Falls wanted to be a tourist town. He suggested charging for parking or instituting a wine and tap tax, which could help fund parking lots, a new pool, or other infrastructure needs.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Duncan, seconded by Council Member Mattson and carried unanimously, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 17th day of September, 2019.

John O. Althoff, Mayor

ATTEST:

David Maroney, City Administrator