

**CARAWAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY**

February 11, 2020
CITY COUNCIL MEETING ROOM

Meeting opened: 6:00 p.m.

Meeting closed: 6:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS:	PRESENT	ABSENT
MAYOR: BO JAMES	X	
RECORDER: RICK STEVENS	X	
ALDERMAN: DIANA POWELL	X	
ALDERMAN: MITCHELL TIPTON	X	
ALDERMAN: JORDAN ADCOCK	X	
ALDERMAN: ROGER WILLIAMS		X
ALDERMAN: MARVIN BROWNING	X	
ALDERMAN: JERRY MARTIN	X	

The group said the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Prayer was led by Rick Stevens.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Bo James.

The roll was called with the mayor, recorder and all alderman present except Roger Williams.

Minutes of the January 9th meeting were presented.

Marvin Browning made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Jordan Adcock.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

January Financial Statements for Water & Sewer, Street and General Fund were presented.

Mitchell Tipton made a motion to approve the financial statements,

second by Jerry Martin.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Jerry Martin made a motion to accept the Arkansas Legislative Audit's audit of the Caraway General, Street and Park Commission departments for the year 2018. Second by Marvin Browning.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Diana Powell made a motion to advertise for bids to mow the city cemetery in the Jonesboro Sun. The ad will run in print from Feb. 16-23, 2020. Second by Jordan Adcock.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Mitchell Tipton made a motion for the city council to go into executive session concerning hiring a police officer. Second by Jordan Adcock.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Marvin Browning made a motion for the city council to return to regular session. Second by Mitchell Tipton.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Mitchell Tipton made a motion to set Alex Edmonds pay at \$10.00 per hour with Alex getting a 25 cents per hour increase upon completing his training at the police academy.

This motion also includes a 50 cent per hour increase for Shannon Kelems and David Choate.

Shannon Kelems and David Choate effective next pay period.

Second by Dianna Powell.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes
Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes
Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes
Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes
Vote: Roger Williams -

Mitchell Tipton made a motion to pay Shannon Kelems for 56 vacation hours from 2019 totaling \$668.08. To also pay David Choate for 67.2 vacation hours from 2019 totaling \$669.31. Marvin Browning second the motion.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes
Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes
Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes
Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Others items discussed included:

Mayor James and the discussed the cost of the city website and the increase it will cost to continue with it. No action was taken at this time.

Mayor James informed the council that the city cemetery will be sprayed in the next few weeks.

Police Chief Shannon Kelems presented Alex Edmonds as a new hire for the police department. After his presentation of his desire to recommend the hiring of Alex Edmonds, Alex took the floor and informed the mayor and council of his desire for the opportunity to serve on the Caraway Police department.

Mayor James gave the floor to Justin Clay, the new Parks Director, who reviewed work he has already done and presented his plans in leading the parks work for the coming playing season. Discussion of how he will be paid for the work was discussed with no definite plan put in place. City employees will help along with volunteer workers to do the work with fields and games to be played.

Mayor James informed the council that Jeremy Garland, Brian Barnes, Travis Williams, Kyle Vaughn and Travis Emery resigned from the Park Commission.

Mayor James said he and Christy Tipton had looked at the city's insurance premiums and coverage's and made changes that resulted in approximately \$5,000.00 in savings.

The new computer company that will be replacing P.C.Doc is the Sky Blue company.

Properties brought up for attention of cleaning up included: Property on St. Louis, State and School St.

Work is continuing on the new pharmacy.

A pot hole on Asher street needs patched and Mayor James said they would take care of it.

Mitchell Tipton made a motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Jerry Martin.
Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Continued work on the old nursing home is being done as the ground firms up for equipment to get in and work on it.

APPROVED:

MAYOR Bo James

ATTEST:

RECORDER Pick