

**COTTER CITY
COTTER COUNCIL MINUTES
November 18, 2021
6:00 p.m.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

The regular meeting of the Cotter City Council was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Caradine. He asked for roll call by Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray. Present were: Council Members Chuck Sugg, Carolyn Gill, Cameron Ross, Mertice Kray, and Linda McCarthy. Councilman Mark Johnson was absent.

The invocation was given by Councilman Cameron Ross followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance by all present.

REPORTS

Approval of the October 28, 2021, regular minutes was the first item of business. Councilwoman Mertice Kray moved to accept the minutes as written from Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray with a second provided by Councilman Chuck Sugg. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Public Works Department Report was given by Mayor Caradine
Fire Department Report was given by Chief Lyle Jack
Police Department Report was given by Chief Travis Hopson
Building Permit Report was given by Andrea Kray
Planning & Zoning Commission Report- No report was given
Cotter/Gassville Sewer Commission was given by Carolyn Gill
Tree Advisory Board was given by Marcia Taylor

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

In the first order of New Business, Mayor Caradine presented a more equalized representation of citizens per ward. He demonstrated the census program that he is working with. New wards must be presented to election commission in a timely manner to make the ballot. At this time, Councilman Cameron Ross moved to table the consideration of the presented wards as more work needs to be done on them at this time. Councilwoman Linda McCarthy seconded the motion and **Motion passed unanimously.**

In the second order of New Business, Mayor Caradine read into minutes the presentation of the 2022 Draft #1 Budget on November 9, 2021. He will be bringing a Resolution of the Budget for passage at the December 2021 meeting.

INFORMATION

During information, Mayor Caradine shared that the Planning and Zoning Board will have two vacancies to fill. A five-year term for Secretary being vacated by Susan Lanning expiring December 31, 2021. The other vacancy is to fill the remaining term vacated by Misty Burdick's which does not expire until December 31, 2023. Contact the Mayor by November 12, 2021, to be considered. December's Council Meeting is set for 12/16/21. The Christmas Tree Contestants need their trees installed in the Park by November 27th, and the Christmas Lights in the Park will be on from December 1st to December 31st. The ceremony to dedicate the turning on the new Bridge Lights will start at 5:30 pm on December 1st, and the CVFD CERT training will start on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 from 6-9 pm. The City of Cotter did receive the Blue and You grant for playground equipment at the NAYC.

SIGN-UP SHEET REQUESTS

No sign-ins at this time.

ORIGINAL

AUDIENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Audience Announcements at this time.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Chuck Sugg states that there is a lot going on in the City of Cotter and thanked everyone for all that they are doing.

Councilwoman Carolyn Gill had no comment.

Councilwoman Mertice Kray thanked everyone for attending and loves the support that people are demonstrating.

Councilman Cameron Ross announced that his church will be having their Thanksgiving Dinner on 11/20 and invited everyone to their service starting at 11:00 am.

Councilwoman Linda McCarthy thanked everyone for their support of the Fire Department's Chili Supper and Silent Auction Fundraiser.

Mayor Caradine encouraged citizens to attend the dedication of the Peitz River Lights starting at 5:30 on Dec. 1, 2021.

Councilman Cameron Ross moved to adjourn with a second provided by Councilwoman Mertice Kray.
Motion passed unanimously. Meeting ended at 6:47 p.m.

APPROVED:



Mayor MacGeorge Caradine

ATTEST:



Recorder/Treasurer Andrea Kray

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