

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
April 10, 2012

Mayor Gerald Sands called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Council member's Present:** Marie Chuinard, John Nordine, Birdie Hensley, Lonna Bussert and Bob Rupe

**Council member's Absent:** None

**April 10, 2012, Council Minutes:**

Motion was made and seconded to approve the March 27, 2012 minutes with the correction to the **Pre-Authorizing Minor Changes**, Delete per occurrence, add Total.

m/s (Rupe/Bussert)CU

**Police Report:**

Officer Tufts gave the monthly police report. There was a correction to Officer Cook's statement on disclosure of Police Reports. Officer Tufts explained to the council that these reports can only be disclosed through the Police Department and are not available through the City.

**Public Discussion:**

There was no public discussion.

**Award Construction Material Testing & Special Inspection Services Bid:**

Council Member Hensley asked why this contract was not included in the original contract. Mayor Sands explained that because of changes to the laws, Gray & Osborne is no longer able to include this type of contract in their bid. Council Member Bussert asked why they were not made aware of this additional cost at the time of the original contract. Mayor Sands will check with Grey & Osborne.

Mayor Sands explained that he and Council Member Rupe had a phone conference with Jeff at Gray & Osborne to discuss the contracts. Gray & Osborne feel that the Strata contract, though higher in price, is the better contract. Mayor Sands explained that the Strata Contract includes 20 site visits, where North Central Testing only put in 16. Based on per visit basis, and figuring the cost for additional visits by North Central Testing, Strata would be the lower of the two. Motion was made to accept the Strata Contract contingent on the attorney's approval.

m/s (Rupe/Nordine)CU

**Unfinished Business:**

- **Council Retreat**

Mayor Sands reported that there are two locations we are looking at. Big Bend College has a room available for \$24.00 per hour; they have a projector and a technician on hand. The other location is the building where the Health District meets and is free of cost. The council unanimously elected to go with the Health District location. The time set will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. To date, the agenda would include our attorney at a cost of \$120.00 per hour and a representative from Canfield and Associates for one hour at no cost. Mayor Sands explained we would like to find someone to facilitate the meeting and asked the council for their suggestions on other topics they would like to have on the agenda. Council Member Nordine provided a list of topics he is interested in: roles & responsibilities, how to fill committee positions, overview of employee job descriptions, City organization of supervisory responsibilities and how to keep the City out legal troubles. Council Member Hensley provided her list of recommendations: guidelines from the Mayor and Clerk on council responsibilities, future plans for web site and logo, what index to use for employee's cost of living increases, citizens on committees and EDC, what they need from us and how we can help. Council Member Bussert suggested block watch, crime prevention for the City. Other Council Member's will bring in their suggestions to City Hall this week.

- **Council Committee's:** Council Member Hensley had questions on how citizens would be selected, what would be their responsibilities and if we need them on all our Council Committees. She suggested waiting on this until we get clarification from the attorney.

**Reports/Misc:**

No reports to discuss.

**Council Received:**

- Letter from Gray & Osborne, Review of Construction Testing Proposals
- Strata Proposal
- North Central Testing Proposal

**Voucher Approval:**

Motion was made and seconded to approve expenditures for following vouchers. Council Member Hensley would like to be on record stating she is protesting the .2 hrs reported on March 27, 2012, from Katherine Kenison's Law Office. She would like an explanation to why the attorney was not there on the day she delivered papers for the attorney to sign. She feels that the City Clerk knows something.

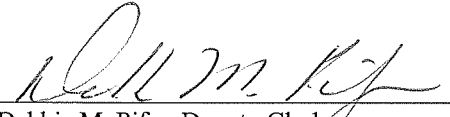
- EFT's and Vouchers #9124-#9135 dated 03/30/2012 for a total of \$19,451.13
- EFT's and Vouchers #9136-#9156 dated 04/03/2012-04/10/2012 for a total of \$23,465.98.

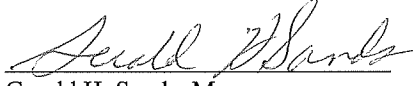
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**Adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

m/s (Rupe/Bussert)CU

  
Debbie M. Pifer, Deputy Clerk

  
Gerald H. Sands, Mayor