Pea Ridge City Council Regular Meeting December 19, 2023

The Pea Ridge City Council met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Room at the City Hall Administration Building.

Those present were: Mayor Nathan See, City Clerk Sandy Button, Council Members Nadine Telgemeier, Matt Blood, Cody Keene and Jeff Neil. Also present was City Attorney Shane Perry. Absent were Council Members Ginger Larsen and Steve Guthrie.

Others present were: Annette Beard, Ken Hayes, Stephanie Henson, Shane Henson, Monte Keene, Joshua Johnson, Dustin Phy, Jessica Heard, Clint Bowen, Jessica Grady, Lynn Hahn, Karen Sherman, Wendy Martin and Sheila Wilkerson.

Mayor Nathan See called the meeting to order.

Mayor Nathan See opened the meeting in prayer and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: None

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Blood to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2023, Regular Meeting. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 824 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye.

Mayor See read Ordinance Number 824 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO CORRECT A SCRIVENER'S ERROR CONTAINED IN THE FINAL PLAT OF WELLINTON HILLS PHASE ONE SUBDIVISION TO THE CITY OF PEA RIDGE, ARKANSAS, ACCEPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 17, 2023, BY ORDINANCE NO. 822; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Neil, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance by title only on three different days be suspended. Mayor See put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Thereupon Mayor See declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council have voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule. The motion was carried, and the rule suspended. Mayor See then read the Ordinance by title only.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved that the Ordinance be adopted The question was put by Mayor See on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Neil, seconded by Alderman Keene, moved that the Emergency Clause be adopted. The question was put by Mayor See on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

The Mayor thereupon declared the Ordinance and Emergency Clause were adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder and sealed with the Seal of the City.

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Blood to approve an Easement for Pea Ridge Commons; Parcel Number 13-03570-000 on Ryan Road. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Neil, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 829 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye.

Mayor See read Ordinance Number 829 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PEA RIDGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECION 14.04 ZONING ORDINANCE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Neil, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance by title only on three different days be suspended. Mayor See put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier

voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

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Thereupon Mayor See declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council have voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule. The motion was carried, and the rule suspended. Mayor See then read the Ordinance by title only.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved that the Ordinance be adopted The question was put by Mayor See on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved that the Emergency Clause be adopted. The question was put by Mayor See on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

The Mayor thereupon declared the Ordinance and Emergency Clause were adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder and sealed with the Seal of the City.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderwoman Telgemeier, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 828 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye.

Mayor See read Ordinance Number 828 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PEA RIDGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECION 10.08.01, TITLED "WATER RATES; SPECIAL ASSESSMENT"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance by title only on three different days be suspended. Mayor See put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Thereupon Mayor See declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council have voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule. The motion was carried, and the rule suspended. Mayor See then read the Ordinance by title only.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved that the Ordinance be adopted The question was put by Mayor See on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

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The Mayor thereupon declared the Ordinance adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder and sealed with the Seal of the City.

Alderman Neil moved, seconded by Alderman Blood to transfer the 2013 Dodge Ram 1500 from the Street Department to the Fire Department. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Blood to surplus the following vehicles from the Street Department:

2004 Chevy C3500 1 Ton 1992 Chevy Kodiak 2 Ton 2003 Dodge Dakota SXT 2004 Chevy 1500 W/T

The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 826 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye.

Mayor See read Ordinance Number 826 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PEA RIDGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECION 2.20.09; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Neil, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance by title only on three different days be suspended. Mayor See put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Thereupon Mayor See declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council have voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule. The motion was carried, and the rule suspended. Mayor See then read the Ordinance by title only.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved that the Ordinance be adopted The question was put by Mayor See on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote

was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

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The Mayor thereupon declared the Ordinance adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder and sealed with the Seal of the City.

Alderman Neil moved, seconded by Alderman Blood to approve an 18-day Fire Department FLSA period. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

The 2023 Amended Budget was presented with the Total Receipts/Expenditures for each department as follows:

CITY GENERAL	9,970,902.00
CITY PARK	167,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT ACT 833	31,000.00
IMPACT FEES	1,200,000.00
LIBRARY	75,440.00
NEW 1% SALES TAX	1,176,027.00
STREET DEPARTMENT	1,452,000.00

TOTAL BUDGET AMOUNT \$14,072,369.00

Mayor See read Resolution Number 521, which is entitled:

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR OPERATION OF THE CITY OF PEA RIDGE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023.

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Blood to approve Resolution Number 521 as read. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor See read Resolution Number 520, which is entitled:

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF PEA RIDGE, ARKANSAS

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderwoman Telgemeier to approve Resolution Number 520 as read. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor See read Resolution Number 519, which is entitled:

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CITY PROSECUTING FOR THE CITY OF PEA RIDGE, ARKANSAS

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Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Neil to approve Resolution Number 519 as read. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Neil to give all employees an \$1.50 per hour increase this year keeping in line with the COLA percentage of 3.2%. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Blood to increase Mayor See's salary to \$100,000.00 per year. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Neil, moved to introduce Ordinance Number 827 by title only. The roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye.

City Clerk Button read Ordinance Number 827 by title only, which is entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2.24.03 OF THE PEA RIDGE MUNICIPAL CODE SETTING THE SALARY OF THE MAYOR

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Neil, moved that the rule requiring the reading of an ordinance by title only on three different days be suspended. City Clerk Button put the question on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

Thereupon City Clerk Button declared that at least two-thirds of all members of the council have voted in favor of the motion to suspend the rule. The motion was carried, and the rule suspended. Mayor See then read the Ordinance by title only.

Alderman Keene, seconded by Alderman Blood, moved that the Ordinance be adopted The question was put by City Clerk Button on the adoption of the motion and the roll being called, the vote was as follows: Nadine Telgemeier voted aye; Matt Blood voted aye; Cody Keene voted aye; and Jeff Neil voted aye. Motion passed.

The City Clerk thereupon declared the Ordinance adopted and signed the Ordinance, which was attested by the City Recorder and sealed with the Seal of the City.

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Announcements:

- The 2023 Annual City Christmas Parade was really great and well attended by our citizens.
- We received the ARDOT Tap Grant for the North Davis Sidewalk Project in the amount of \$126,000.
- Thank you to Neal Nelson for \$500 donation for a bench at the new City Park in memory of his late wife.
- Thank you to all City Planning Commissioners and City Council for a great and productive year.
- Thank you to all City Staff and Departments it is an honor to work and serve with such amazing people.
- Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Alderman Keene moved, seconded by Alderman Neil to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

	Nathan See, Mayor	
Sandy Button, City Clerk		