

MINUTES
CITY OF CHEROKEE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, September 18, 2025, 6:00 P.M.,
CHEROKEE VILLAGE CITY HALL

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Rose Call the City Council Meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -Mayor Rose lead the pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE -A moment of silence was observed

ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM – Penny Trumpy, City Clerk called roll: Harrison yes, R. Tatum yes, Thompson yes, Martin yes, J. Tatum yes, Lowe yes, Ishmael yes, Rowland yes. Mayor, Clerk and Attorney in attendance. Quorum established (8 present)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mayor Rose noted to amend the agenda by removing New Business #3, #4, #5, #6. Council Member Rowland ask to add New Business #3 Clerk/Mayor Election. Motion to amend the agenda as stated by Council Member Martin, seconded by Council Member J Tatum. Motion passed (8 yes, 0 No's)

PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS (limit 3 minutes per person)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Council Member Ishmael motioned to approve the August 21, 2025 minutes as presented, seconded by Council Member Martin. Motion passed (8 yes, 0 no;s)

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

FINANCIAL REPORT: Discussion **Sales & Use Tax** **Street Dept Revenue** Mayor Rose reported the Property tax is down for the past 2 months.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- ARDOT – Early November is the target date to open the bridge to traffic. They are getting 4 to 5 days extra due to heat.

ADMINISTRATION UPDATES:

- **.GOV**
 - Web site is up and operational under .gov. The City will maintain ownership of CherokeeVillage.org to prevent fraud and misuse of the association with the City.
 - Email has been converted, with a few glitches. The .org will transfer into the.gov for 6 months at a minimal fee.
 - Council Member city emails. Example Heather.Harrison@CheroveeVillage.gov. Our goal is October 31, 2025.
 - Business Cards. We will be printing updated cards. Please review your card and make any corrections or initial that it is correct.
- **Laserfiche**
 - Scanner installed and updated.
 - Software has been updated to help in the transfer of information into the new cloud program. This has taken about 2 – 3 hours in working with Laserfiche. Activation, Migration and training are scheduled.

- **Act 505 – Public Meetings** – A public meeting AGENDA listing topics to be discussed must be published. City Council passed a Resolution requiring Council Packets to be published the Friday before the Council meeting. That is 6 days. These meeting should fall under the same stipulations. There is a form that MUST be completed and turned in (not called in) with that Agenda. Each Council Member has a Meeting Request form. Council Member Rowland asked if there was a place to get the forms after hours. The forms will be put in the desk in the lobby where you signed in for Council.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: See Cherokee Village Web site for reports on File.

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ANIMAL CONTROL: – Megan Mansfield – On File

COMMUNITY SERVICE: SGT. Jim Griffin – No Report

DISTRICT COURT: - Court Clerk – Amanda Brewer – On File

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Chief Kal Dienst – On File

PLANNING & ZONING: On File

- **Charlie Ackers** – City Inspector
- **CODE ENFORCEMENT:** - Robert Otts
- **Administration Assistant** – Angela Hendon

POLICE DEPARTMENT: - Chief Monte Lane – On File

OTHER REPORTS: **PLEASE SPEAK INTO THE MICROPHONE**

ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE: - No Meeting

A & P MINUTES: - No Report

AIRPORT MINUTES: - On File August 6, & September 3, 2025

P & Z COMMISSION, MINUTES: - On File

ECONOMIC EXPLORATION COMMITTEE: - No Meeting

TRI-COUNTY SOLID WASTE: - August 20, 2025

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Landscaping Bids** – The notice for Bids has been published and will be on the October's agenda.
2. **Fire Station update** – ALC has grant an easement to the city for the entrance to Baseheart Fire Station. The city will maintain the drive from Cherokee Road to the end of the Drive way apron to Baseheart Fire Station. The easement is good as long as the City Operates the fire station. The Attorney needs to update the signature page on the contract.
3. **Disposal of Old Computers** -At the Working Meeting it was discussed to destroy the hard drives by drilling them and recycle the rest. Council Member Martin motioned to destroy the hard drives and recycle the remaining parts, seconded by Council Member J Tatum. Motion passed (8 yes, 0 no's) Council Member Rowland ask of where the lap tops that were used for Council meeting. After some discussion it was asked if the 10 lap tops could be given to the police departments, or the fire department to use. Mayor Rose said he would work on that for October's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Special Use Permits** – (Vote on both 2025 – 14 and 2025-15 in one vote.)
 - a. **2025-14 – Music at the Gazebo – September 18, - October 16, 2025**
 - b. **2025-15 – Lions Club White Cane Day October 2, 2025.** Council Member Martin motioned to approve the Special Use Permits as listed, seconded by Council Member R Tatum. Motion passed (8 yes 0 no's)

2. **Resolution No 2025-07 – Levy AD Valorem Taxes for The Counties of Sharp and Fulton, Arkansas for The City of Cherokee Village.** These needs reaffirmed each year for counties to collect taxes. Council Member Martin motioned to approve Resolution No 2025-07, seconded by Council Member R Tatum. Roll Call Vote: Harrison yes, R Tatum yes, Thompson yes, Martin yes, J Tatum yes, Lowe yes, Ishmael yes, Rowland yes. Motion passed (8 yes, 0 no's)
3. ~~Resolution No 2025-08 The City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas for a project entitled Fire Equipment Purchase.~~
4. ~~Resolution NO. 2025-09 – A resolution establishing a Non-Violent Civil Rights Policy for the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas.~~
5. ~~Resolution No 2025-10 A Resolution establishing a Residential Anti-Displacement Plan in Connection with the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas~~
6. ~~Resolution No 2025-11 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of Cherokee Village, Arkansas to Enter into an Administrative Agreement with the White River Planning and Development District.~~

These Resolutions pertained to a Fire Department Grant that had been applied for. The Grant was withdrawn due to Cherokee Village is split by 2 counties with the City seat being in Sharp County, where the grant needs to be applied from. The vehicle had to be used in the County it was applied for. Chief Dienst and the Mayor will continue to work on this grant in the coming years.

3. **Clerk/Mayor Election – Pamula Rowland** – Council Member Rowland explained that when the Clerk Treasurer was split it should have been address to stagger the election terms. Right now, If the Mayor and the City Clerk do not run starting January 1, 2007 there would be no experience in either position. The City Attorney was asked what it would take to change terms by one being a 2-year term, then convert back to a 4-year terms. Council Member Martin motioned for the attorney to explore what needs to be done to make it legal. Seconded by Council Member J Tatum. Roll Call vote: R Tatum yes, Thompson yes, Martin yes, J Tatum yes, Ishmael yes, Rowland yes, Harrison yes. Motion passed (8 yes, 0 no's)

Public Comments:

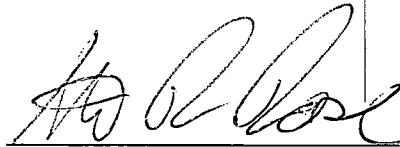
Pam Davis –

- ATV using roads/ fast and no helmets. Discussion on what is aloud on the road. What is a side by side and the new laws on side by sides. Mayor Rose will talk with Chief Lane regarding this subject.
- Isn't a Council Member to be setting an example in general for the Community. Mrs. Davis address Council Member Thompson, Mayor Rose stated that we hare here to discuss City Business, not personal. Council Member Thompson insisted in replying to her comments. Mayor Rose stopped the conversation because it was personal not City business.

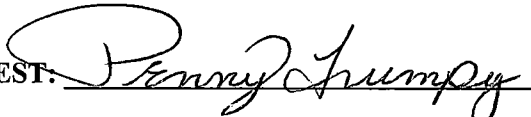
Sherry H. has a neighbor at 70 Lakeshore Dr. that has not cleaned up for 17 years. There are animals living in her yard. The city has been called several times but it seems that nothing is getting done. Council Member Thompson suggest that the lady come to court on Friday to talk to the judge about citations. Council Member Rowland noted that Council changed some of the Ordinances to help in this matter.

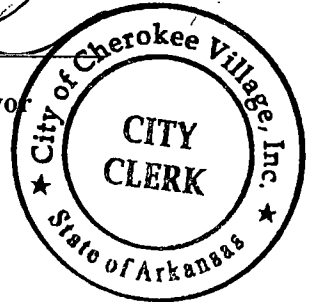
ADJOURNMENT – Council Member J Tatum motioned to adjourn at 6:52 PM, seconded by Council Member Martin. Meeting adjourned.

DATE: 10/16/25

APPROVED: 

Steven R. Rose, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Penny Trumpy, City Clerk



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