

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

November 2, 2020

5:30 P.M.

The Haleyville City Council met for refreshments and fellowship on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. This was the organizational meeting of the new 2020-2024 administration. At 5:30 p.m., Mayor Sunseri called the meeting to order and asked the Haleyville Elementary representatives to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. City Attorney Jeff Mobley provided the invocation.

Winston County Judge Mike Newell administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected officials Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmembers Julie "Boo" Brooks, Drew Thrasher, Blue Russell, Jonathan Bennett, and Brian Berry.

Mayor Ken Sunseri called the meeting to order and stated the following members were present: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Acting City Clerk Christy Harbin and Attorney Jeff Mobley were also present.

Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion for immediate consideration of Ordinance 2020-03, approving the order of procedure of meetings of the council of Haleyville and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None. Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion for approval of Ordinance 2020-03, approving the order of procedure of meetings of the council of Haleyville and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.

Councilmember Blue Russell made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution 2020-37 appointing Drew Thrasher as Mayor Pro Tempore to perform the duties as mayor when is he absent or unable to perform his duties and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – Councilmember Drew Thrasher. Councilmember Blue Russell made a motion for approval of Resolution 2020-37 appointing Drew Thrasher as Mayor Pro Tempore to perform the duties as mayor when is he absent or unable to perform his duties and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – Councilmember Drew Thrasher.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution 2020-38 appointing Christy Harbin as Acting City Clerk/Treasurer and Councilmember Blue Russell seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilman Drew Thrasher and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None. Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for approval of Resolution 2020-38 appointing Christy Harbin as Acting City Clerk/Treasurer and Councilmember Blue Russell seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilman Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie "Boo" Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.

Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution 2020-39 appointing the law firm Lowe, Mobley, and Lowe as city attorney and

Councilmember Blue Russell seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None. Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion for approval of Resolution 2020-39 appointing the law firm Lowe, Mobley, and Lowe as city attorney and Councilmember Blue Russell seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution 2020-40 appointing Jonathon Lowe as City Judge and Councilmember Blue Russell seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None. Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution 2020-40 appointing Jonathon Lowe as City Judge and Councilmember Blue Russell seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.

Winston County Judge Mike Newell administered the Oath of Office to the newly appointed City Judge Jonathon Lowe.

Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution 2020-41 appointing Scott Hunt as City Prosecutor and his term to run consecutively with this administration and Councilmember Drew Thrasher seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None. Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion for approval of Resolution 2020-41 appointing Scott Hunt as City Prosecutor and his term to run consecutively with this administration and Councilmember Drew Thrasher seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.

Councilmember Blue Russell made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution 2020-42 approving the current depositaries for the City Funds and giving the mayor the authority to place City funds in any local bank, as he deems necessary and Councilmember Jonathan Bennett seconded the motion. . Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None. Councilmember Blue Russell made a motion for approval of Resolution 2020-42 approving the current depositaries for the City Funds and giving the mayor the authority to place City funds in any local bank, as he deems necessary and Councilmember Jonathan Bennett seconded the motion. . Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.

Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion for immediate consideration of Resolution 2020-43 appointing Mayor Ken Sunseri to the NWA Gas Board and Councilmember Brian Berry seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to

indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – Mayor Ken Sunseri. Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion for approval of Resolution 2020-43 appointing Mayor Ken Sunseri to the NWA Gas Board and Councilmember Brian Berry seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – Mayor Ken Sunseri.

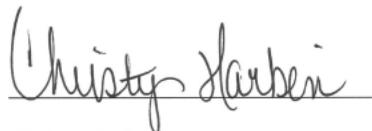
Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion to approve the appointment of Blue Russell to the Water and Sewer Board for a term of 4 years and his motion was seconded by Councilmember Brian Berry. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – Councilmember Blue Russell.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion to approve the appointment of Mayor Ken Sunseri and Christy Harbin to the Planning Commission Board, terms to run concurrently with this administration and Councilmember Blue Russell seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.


Councilmember Jonathan Bennett made a motion to approve retaining the Police Chief, Fire Chief, and Department Heads, as well as city employees, in their respective duties and Councilmember Brian Berry seconded the motion. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.

Councilmember Drew Thrasher made a motion to approve the Regular Council Meeting minutes of October 19, 2020 and his motion was seconded by Jonathan Bennett. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.

There being no further business to come before the council, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Jonathan Bennett and his motion was seconded by Councilman Blue Russell. Mayor Sunseri asked all members of the council in favor to indicate by saying yea and all members voting were: Mayor Ken Sunseri, Councilmember Brian Berry, Councilmember Jonathan Bennett, Councilmember Blue Russell, Councilmember Drew Thrasher, and Councilmember Julie “Boo” Brooks. Voting nay – None. Abstain – None.



Christy Harbin
Acting City Clerk



Ken Sunseri
Mayor