Minutes of the 23rd Meeting of The Town Council of Fountain Lake, Arkansas April 30th, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rick Qualls

Kurt Belote

Donna Belote

Jerry Wright

Tracy Taylor

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Phillip Martin, John Edwards (active military duty)

Mayor Rick Qualls called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Jerry Wright gave the invocation.

Roll was called and a quorum was found to be in attendance.

The minutes from the April 2003 meeting were read by Kurt Belote and were approved

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Qualls brought up a subject of road standards. After discussion on the standards, a motion was made and seconded to accept the standards as written.

The subject of safes was brought up next. Kurt has looked and the safes that arre reasonably priced are not large enough to serve our purposes. Kurt will do more research

On the topic of road repair, Needham Road, and Bud McKinley Road were mentioned as being in line for repair. The weather has been too wet for repairs to Needham Road, but as soon as weather allows, it should be repaired. After the big rains in early June, Hillvale Garden Trail flooded in about three places. Work is in progress to rectify the problems and should be completed soon. There will also be some work on Baltzell Lane in the near future. Morrow Trail also has some flooding problems, but because of the low area, not much can be done by the town.

Kurt Belote gave a financial report for the month of June. It was approved as read.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Qualls gave a report on the Municipal League Convention and said he thought it was very beneficial. He said there was lots of grant money available for possible parks and equipment.

The problem of stray dogs was addressed. One of the town residents had a problem and contacted Mayor Qualls. Rick talked to Hot Springs City Manager Kent Myers and the city sent someone to pick up the dogs. Mayor qualls will try to meet with Myers and Judge Larry Williams to discuss having strays picked up under a city contract.

Mayor Qualls began a discussion of a possible town park. He said there were short-term loans available for land purchases for the purpose of a city park. He thinks it might benefit the town to purchase land soon while interest rates are low. The Long term planning committee will look into the land available and the possibility for future purchases. Donna Belote said that she wants to make sure the roads are in good shape before any land is purchased.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Kurt Belote, Clerk / Recorder / Treasurer

Rick Qualls, Mayor