

**Searcy City Council – Special Session**  
**July 20, 2017 12:00 p.m.**  
**Minutes**

Mayor David Morris called to order a Special Session of the Searcy City Council. Alderman Don Raney gave the Invocation, with the Pledge of Allegiance following, led by Alderman Dale Brewer. City Clerk Jerry Morris called the roll with the following Aldermen answering “present”: Logan Cothorn, Mary Ann Arnett, J R Howard, Dale English, Don Raney, Dale Brewer and Mike Chalenburg. Alderman Steve Sterling and City Attorney Buck Gibson were not present.

Item (3) on the agenda was an ordinance granting a nonexclusive franchise renewal to Ritter Corporation, D/B/A Ritter Communications, its successors and assigns, to construct, operate, and maintain a cable system in Searcy, Arkansas; and setting forth conditions accompanying the grant of the franchise; and providing for regulation and use of the cable system. Mr. John Strode, Vice President of External Affairs for Ritter Communications, stated that the ordinance presented was acceptable to Ritter Communications and that Ritter Communications was willing to accept the terms and conditions as presented in the ordinance. A motion was made by Mr. Raney, seconded by Mr. Brewer, to suspend the rules and allow reading of the ordinance by title only. Motion carried with the following voting “yes”: Arnett, Howard, English, Raney, Brewer, Chalenburg, and Cothorn. City Clerk Jerry Morris read the ordinance by title only. A motion was then made by Mr. Cothorn, seconded by Mrs. Arnett, to adopt the ordinance. The ordinance passed with the following voting “yes”: Howard, English, Raney, Brewer, Chalenburg, Cothorn, and Arnett. Mr. Jerry Morris then read the emergency clause of the ordinance. Motion was made by Mr. Raney, seconded by Mr. Chalenburg, to adopt the emergency clause, with the following voting “yes”: English, Raney, Brewer, Chalenburg, Cothorn, Arnett, and Howard. **Ordinance 2017-17**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Minutes Approved: August 8, 2017

/s/ David Morris  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris  
CITY CLERK

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