Bryant City Council REGULAR City Council Meeting
May 31, 2022 - Time: 6:30 PM

Boswell Municipal Complex - City Hall Court Room
210 SW 3rd Street Bryant, Arkansas
YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/c/bryantarkansas

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Prior to the Council Meeting, a prayer was given by Council Member Butch Higginbotham. The prayer was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Council Member Higginbotham.

Call to Order by Mayor Scott at 6:32 pm

Roll Call – Council Members Present: Star Henson, Butch Higginbotham, Lisa Meyer, Brenda Miller, Wade Permenter, Rob Roedel, Rhonda Sanders. Absent: RJ Hawk.
City Clerk Mark Smith and City Attorney Clancy Ashley were also present.

Quorum Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. **Approval of the April 26, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.**
   Brief Discussion
   Motion to approve as amended by Council Member Rob Roedel, second by Council Member Sanders.
   Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 4:40]

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. **Recognition of Bryant 101 Graduates**
   Mayor Scott presented Graduation Certificates to:
   Candice Calhoun, Shatoria Daniels, Bobyn Davis, Wesley Dickinson, Michelle Hood, Linda James, Kayla James, Carlis Lawson, Jon Martin. [YT 12:00]

3. **Garver Update**
   City Engineer, Ted Taylor gave a quick up-date on the City Wide Drainage (Stormwater) Master Plan and introduced Kathryn McCoy with Garver Engineering who offered more detail and the progress made thus far. [YT22:20]
   Lengthy Discussion

   Todd Mueller with Garver gave an update on the Bryant Parkway Project and the Bid Opening on May 24, 2022 with McGeorge Contracting having the low bid of $20,777,919.21.
   Brief Discussion.
   Motion to award the Bryant Parkway Extension Phase 2 Construction to McGeorge Contracting by Council Member Henson, second by Council Member Permenter.
   Voice Vote: Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 31:15]

Mr. Mueller explained that ARDOT will need to sign-off on the project and he expects construction to start in July, 2022 and to take about two years.

DIRECTORS REPORTS

Legal – presented by Ashley Clancy, City Attorney

4. City Attorney Clancy reported that following Mediation a resolution was reached in the James Rowland vs. City of Bryant lawsuit awarding Mr. Rowland $44,000, saving the City time and money and dismissing the matter with prejudice. The Mayor will sign-off on the settlement. [YT 35:05]

NEW BUSINESS

Finance - presented by Joy Black, Director of Finance

5. **Year To Date Monthly Financial Report** – April Ending Monthly Report
Presentation and Approval of the regular monthly financial report.
Brief Discussion.
Motion to approve by Council Member Sanders, second by Council Member Henson.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 39:40]

6. **Resolution for Dissolution of Salem Fund/Act** – A Resolution for Dissolve the Salem Fund and bank account.
Resolution to Dissolve the Salem Fund 560 and corresponding bank account with attached letter of acknowledgement from Salem Water Users LLC.
Brief Discussion.
Motion to approve by Council Member Miller, second by Council Member Henson.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 41:10]
RESOLUTION 2022-17

7. **Resolution for IT Budget Adjustment** - IT Budget Adjustment for Backup Appliance and related items.
Resolution to Amend 2022 City Budget within the IT Budget section.
Motion to approve by Council Member Roedel, second by Council Member Meyer.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 43:15]
RESOLUTION 2022-18

Community Development – presented by Truett Smith, Director of Planning & Community Development

8. **Aria Oil Multi-User Trail Waiver** - This item was pulled from the Agenda.

9. **Medic Sleep Care Sign Variance Appeal** – This item was pulled from the Agenda.

10. **Metroplan STBG Grant Program** – A Resolution Expressing the Willingness of the City of Bryant to Utilize Federal-Aid Surface Transpiration Program Funds.
Resolution stating that the City is willing to commit matching funding towards a federal aid grant through Metroplan in order to further connect our City trail system. The project we are

requesting funding for is a connection from the existing Bryant Parkway Trail near Raymar Road to the corner of Parkway and HWY 5. This will provide a route for pedestrians and cyclists from the North side of Bryant to the South side by creating a safe passage over the I-30 corridor.
Brief Discussion.
Motion to approve by Council Member Roedel, second by Council Member Higginbotham.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 45:55]
RESOLUTION 2022-19

Fire Department – presented by JP Jordan

11. **Fire Department 14 Day Work Cycle** – An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance No. 2006-26, Establish a 14-Day Work Period For The City Of Bryant Fire Department; And For Other Purposes.
This Ordinance will allow employees engaged in fire suppression within the fire department to have the same 14 day work period for OT accrual as those employees engaged in law enforcement within the police department. Estimated budgetary impact of approximately $35,600 as shown in attached salary schedule.

Motion to suspend the rules and read 1st, 2nd, and 3rd reading by title only by Council Member Miller, second by Council Member Roedel.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 47:35]
Ordinance title read by Mayor Scott.

Motion to adopt by Council Member Sanders, second by Council Member Henson.
Roll Call Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 48:30]
ORDINANCE 2022-15

12. **Fire Department 2012 GMC 1500 Pickup** – Requesting permission to list 2012 GMC 1500 Pickup on EGOVDeals.
Selling pool vehicle reaching end of life cycle.
Motion to adopt by Council Member Miller, second by Council Member Sanders.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 49:50]

Parks and Recreation – presented by Chris Treat, Director of Parks

13. **Capital Improvement Requests**
Mills Park Pavilion Repairs / Aquatics flooring and exterior painting / Boone Road cross walk
Lengthy Discussion
Motion to adopt by Council Member Roedel, second by Council Member Higginbotham.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 57:10]

14. **Barracudas Swim Team Use Agreement**
Motion to adopt by Council Member Miller, second by Council Member Sanders.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed Unanimously. [YT 58:00]
Brief Discussion

Council Comments
Council Member Sanders – DNC Wings Over Bryant June 24-25

Council Member Meyer – Parks revenue down significantly and Thanks to Engineering for light on Bryant Crossing
Council Member Higginbotham – Thanks to Saline County Master Garners for work at City Hall
Star Henson – Looking forward to the new Bryant Historical Museum

Mayor Comments
Coffee with the Mayor at Midtown at 9AM Saturday

Adjournment
Motion to Adjourn by Council Member Higginbotham, second by Council Member Meyer.
Adjourned time: 7:32 pm.