Bryant City Council Meeting
September 26, 2023 - 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

Motion by Council Member Martin to nominate Council Member Roedel to Chair the meeting in the absence of Mayor Scott. Second by Council Member Brown. Voice Vote. Passed 6-1.

Clerk Note: Since Council Member Roedel was Chairing, he chose not to vote during this meeting.

A prayer was given by Council Member Martin and Council Member Roedel led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Call to Order – Council Member Roedel at 6:30 pm

Roll Call – Council Members Present: Jason Brown, Star Henson, Jon Martin, Jack Moseley, Jordan O'Roark, Wade Permenter, and Rob Roedel. Council Member absent: Lisa Meyer. Quorum Present.

City Clerk Mark Smith and City Attorney Ashley Clancy were also present.

Clerk Note: Due to changes during the meeting, the Agenda numbers and the Minute numbers do not match.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. **Approval of the August 29, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Minutes** [YT 5:50]
   Motion to approve - Council Member Martin, Second - Council Member Brown.
   Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.

2. **Approval of the September 18, 2022 Special Council Meeting Minutes**
   Motion to approve - Council Member Permenter, Second - Council Member Henson. [YT 6:10]
   Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. **National Breast Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation** [YT 6:25]
   City Clerk Smith read the 2023 Proclamation.

4. **Greater Bryant Chamber of Commerce Report** [YT 8:30]
   Rhonda Sanders, President of the Bryant Chamber of Commerce presented a progress report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joseph McIntyre- Requests caution light on Hilltop near Crossing Loop neighborhood [YT 15:35]

NEW BUSINESS

Finance – Presented by Joy Black, Director

5. **August 2023 Ending Financial Report**
   Approval and acceptance of the August ending financial report. See attached. [YT 19:05]
   Motion to approve - Council Member Moseley, Second - Council Member Henson.
   Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.

6. **Ordinance - for Records Destruction** [YT 21:55]
   An Ordinance providing for the permission to destroy certain records per city policy in resolution 2015-5 and for other purposes. See attachment.
   Motion to suspend the rules and read 1st, 2nd, 3rd reading by title only - Council Member Martin, Second - Council Member Permenter.
   Title read by Clerk Smith.
   Roll Call Vote. YEA: Brown, Henson, Martin, Moseley, O'Roark, Permenter.
   Absent: Meyer. Motion Passed 6-2.
   - **ORDINANCE 2023-21**

7. **Budget Adjustments** - Resolution to Amend City Budget [YT 24:05]
   A Resolution to Approve as Amended the city budget for ending December 31, 2023.
   Motion to Approve - Council Member Martin, Second - Council Member Permenter.
   Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.
   - **RESOLUTION 2023-23**

Animal Control – presented by Jackie Skasick, Senior Officer [YT 26:05]

8. **Best Friends Animal Society Grant** - Approval of MOU
   Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with Best Friends Animal Society for a grant of $12,500 to provide free microchipping for pets in the City of Bryant, and for other purposes. See attached. Discussion followed.
   Motion to Approve - Council Member Moseley, Second - Council Member Brown.
   Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.
   Motion to allow Council Member Brown to sign the MOU- Council Member O Roark, Second- Council Member Permenter.
   Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.

Council

9. **Police & Fire Step & Grade Discussion**- Requested by Councilman Jon Martin. [YT 30:00]
   Both Chief Jordan and Chief Minden gave an update on the pay adjustments from earlier in the year and thanked the Council for making both departments more competitive. Both Chiefs indicated that a study would be completed yearly to sample the region and report pay rates. Chief Minden indicated his department is short four officers and Chief Jordan is down three. The Bryant Police Department is celebrating their 50th anniversary this year.

Police Department – presented by Chief Minden

10. **Approval of revised Police Department Standards of Conduct and Policies and Procedures** [YT 34:30]
    Chief Minden briefly explained the updated policies and procedures.
    See #13 for approval

Parks and Recreation – presented by Chris Treat, Director

11. **Bishop Repairs**
    This item was moved to the Budget Adjustment.

Public Works – presented by Tim Fournier, Director

12. **Gov Deals** - Request to purchase equipment from Gov Deals-generated revenue. [YT 36:45]
    See attached.
        Greenway - Compact Tractor
        Nationwide Trailers Cabot
        Red River - 2500 1
        Red River 2500 2.
    Motion to Approve - Council Member Moseley, Second - Council Member Henson.
    Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.

13. **Right-Of-Way Permits** [YT 37:35]
    An ordinance limiting the amount of open right-of-ways permits a company, contractor, or subcontractor may have open at one time.
    See attached. Short Discussion.
    Motion to suspend the rules and read 1st, 2nd, 3rd reading by title only - Council Member Martin, Second - Council Member Henson.
    Title read by City Clerk.
    Motion to adopt - Council Member Brown, Second - Council Member Henson.
    Roll Call Vote. YEA: Brown, Henson, Martin, Moseley, O'Roark, Permenter.
    Absent: Meyer. Motion Passed 6-2.
    Motion to Adopt Emergency Clause by Council Member O 'Roark, Second by Council Member Brown.
    Roll Call Vote. YEA: Brown, Henson, Meyer, Moseley, O'Roark, Permenter.
    Motion Passed 6-2.
    - **ORDINANCE 2023-22**

    Motion to add an Item to the Agenda by Council Member Martin, second by Council Member Brown.

Police Department – presented by Chief Minden

14. **Approval of revised Police Department Standards of Conduct and Policies and Procedures** [YT 40:45]
    Motion to suspend the rules and read 1st, 2nd, 3rd reading by title only - Council Member Permenter, Second - Council Member Henson.
    Title read by Council Member Roedel.
    Motion to adopt as Amended - Council Member O 'Roark, Second - Council Member Brown.

Roll Call Vote. YEA: Brown, Henson, Martin, Moseley, O'Roark, Permenter.
Absent: Meyer. Motion Passed 6-2.
Motion to Adopt Emergency Clause by Council Member Permenter, Second by Council Member Brown.
Roll Call Vote. YEA: Brown, Henson, Meyer, Moseley, O'Roark, Permenter.
Motion Passed 6-2.

- **ORDINANCE 2023-23**

15. **Approve Pafford Medical Services Franchise Agreement** [YT 43:20]

Motion to Approve - Council Member Martin, Second - Council Member Henson.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.
Motion for Council Member Brown to sign the Pafford document by Permenter, Second by Council Member Martin.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2.

Council Comments [YT 44:55]

Jon Martin- Thanks to Department Heads during Mayor during transition. Fall Fest with Car Show this weekend.
Jason Brown- Thanks to City Staff team during the transition.
Jack Moseley- Thank to City Employees for the work they do.
Rob- Thank Council Members for their work on transition.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Council Member Moseley, second by Council Member Brown.
Adjourned time: 7:34 PM