

MINUTES – January 24, 2023

The Rogers City Council met in *regular session* in the Council Chambers of the Maurice H. Kolman City Hall Building and via ZOOM on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Hines.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Josh Chanery, of the First Assembly of God provided an invocation.

ROLL CALL:

Mark Kruger, Betsy Reithemeyer, Gary Townzen, Marge Wolf, Barney Hayes, Clay Kendall, Mandy Brashear, and April Legere were present.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek, Finance Director Casey Wilhelm, Community Development Director John McCurdy, Community Development Director Shawn Grindstaff, Parks & Recreation Director Jim White, Airport Supervisor David Krutsch, Planning Services Administrator Lori Ericson, Planning Commissioner Mandel Samuels, Rogers Fire Chief Tom Jenkins, Rogers Police Chief Jonathan Best, , Public Relations Manager Peter Masonis, and Executive Assistant to the Mayor Jennifer Moore.

ACTION ON MINUTES:

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Motion by Townzen, second by Wolf to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 as presented.
Voice vote: Yes, unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Approves the suspending of rules for the meeting.

Motion by Kruger, second by Wolf to suspend the rules to consider all items on the agenda on a single reading.
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. **Motion carried.**

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES:

(Agenda Item #1.)

ORD. #23-06 Declaring A Nuisance Structure On Certain Property Located In Rogers, Arkansas; Ordering The Razing And Removal Of Said Structure

The ordinance was introduced by Wolf and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Wolf, chair of Public Safety Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

No questions from the council.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the ordinance pass?"
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the emergency clause pass?"
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. The ordinance is adopted.

(Agenda Item #2.)

RES. R23-05 Amending The 2023 Budget To Appropriate \$56,217.00 From Ice Fund Reserves Into Account #355-55-84002 Fleet Expenditures; Appropriating \$56,217.00 From Federal Sharing Fund Reserves Into Account #340-40-84002 Fleet Expenditures; Waiving Competitive Bidding For The Purchase Of Two 2023 Chevrolet Tahoes From Superior Chevrolet Of Siloam Springs, Arkansas For Use By The City Of Rogers Police Department; Allowing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into A Contract For Said Purchase

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to "Do pass" and recognized Rogers Police Chief Johnathan Best.

No questions from the council.

Motion by Kruger, second by Reithemeyer to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #3.)

RES. R23-06 Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into An Agreement With Burns And McDonnell Of Springdale, Arkansas To Provide Permeable Paver Guidelines; Amending The 2023 Budget To Appropriate Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) From General Fund Reserves Into Account #100-18-70830 Contract Services

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to "Do pass" and recognized Director of Community Development John McCurdy.

Reithemeyer, seeing more pavers around town and want to express my appreciation and proactive guidelines created by Community Development.

No questions from the council.

Motion by Hayes, second by Wolf to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #4.)

RES. R23-07 Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into A Contract With Crowne Group, LLC Of Fayetteville,

The resolution was introduced by Brashear and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Arkansas, For Event Marketing, Promotion, And Programming Services Of Butterfield Stage And The Victory Theater

Brashear, chair of Community Services Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Director of Community Development John McCurdy.

Reithemeyer, ensuring the APT calendar and live music calendar will work in coordination to make for no overlapping and maintain a healthy calendar for the community.

McCurdy, absolutely there is open conversation between the parties to ensure the best calendar is created for the community to participate.

Motion by Brashear, second by Kruger to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #5.)

RES. R23-08 Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into An Agreement With Play By Design, Inc. Of Tulsa, Oklahoma For The Purchase Of Park Benches And Trash Containers; Waiving Competitive Bidding For This Purchase

The resolution was introduced by Brashear and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Brashear, chair of Community Services Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Parks & Recreation Director Jim White.

No questions from the council.

Motion by Brashear, second by Wolf to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #6.)

RES. R23-09 Amending The 2023 Budget By Establishing Capital Project Account #315-15-81143 Reconstruct Taxiway Lighting And Airfield Electrical Vault; Appropriating Ninety-Eight Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$98,125.00) From Airport Fund Reserves Into Account #315-15-81143

The resolution was introduced by Kruger and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Kruger, chair of Transportation Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Airport Superintendent David Krutsch.

No questions from the council.

Motion by Reithemeyer, second by Wolf to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Reithemeyer, Wolf, Townzen, Kendall, Hayes, Brashear, Legere – Yes. Kruger – Abstain. The resolution is adopted.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINTMENTS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor, committee assignments will remain as is for the 2023 calendar year.

Reappointment of Nancy Swearingen to the Museum Commission; term to expire December 31, 2026. Motion by Hayes, second by Kruger. Reappointment is approved.

Reappointment of Richard Bland to the Library Board of Trustees; term to expire December 31, 2028. Motion by Kruger, second by Wolf. Reappointment is approved.

Hayes, good luck to Frankie and the street crew with the winter weather arriving.

Reithemeyer, encourages everyone to be safe with the winter weather moving into the area.

Kruger, move to adjourn the meeting at 6:52pm second by Wolf.

ATTEST:

Jessica Rush, City Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED:

C. Greg Hines, Mayor