

MINUTES – September 10, 2024

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, September 10, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Hines.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Monsieur David LeSure, Priest at St. Vincent de Paul provided an invocation.

ROLL CALL:

Betsy Reithemeyer, Marge Wolf, Gary Townzen, Barney Hayes, Clay Kendall, Mandy Brashear, and Roger Surly were present.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek, RWU Superintendent Brent Dobler, Finance Director Casey Wilhelm, Finance Administrator Jennifer Slingsby, Facilities Manager David Hook, Parks & Recreation Director Quinton Harris, 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 Surly to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2024 as presented.

Voice vote: Yes -unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Approves the suspending of rules for the meeting.

Motion by Reithemeyer, 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.)

RES. R24-70 Amending The 2024 Budget To Recognize An Insurance Reimbursement In The Amount Of \$3,860.23 Into Account #100-04-49195 Insurance Reimbursement; Appropriating That Same Amount Into Account #100-04-70165 Vehicle Maintenance

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Finance Director Casey Wilhelm.

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 #2.)

RES. R24-71 The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into Agreements With Paragon Architecture, LLC And Demx Architecture, Both Of Fayetteville, Arkansas And Hight Jackson And Associates Of Rogers, Arkansas, For Design Services Related To Rebuilding Various Locations Damaged By The May 2024 Tornado

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Facilities Manager David Hook.

Brashear, is the objective & goal to rebuild exactly as it was before the tornado? Hook, there is potential for mitigation on a few of the properties. This is a process we are working through with FEMA.

Brashear, the need for design implies we are redesigning what we have already designed. Hook, that isn’t completely correct. Example at Victory Theater applies as roof leaking and basement flooding does require a new design as it was not apart of the previous design work.

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

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

(Agenda Item #3.)

RES. R24-72 Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into Agreements With Flintco, LLC And Milestone Construction Company Both Of Springdale, Arkansas And Nabholz Construction Of Rogers, Arkansas For Construction Management Services Related To Rebuilding

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Facilities Manager David Hook.

Various Locations Damaged By The
May 2024 Tornado

No questions from the council.

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

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

APPOINTMENTS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Senior Staff Attorney, commercial properties updates surrounding the tornado disaster. Risk reduction is in contact with these properties listed below.

8th & Walnut, reaching out to the property owner located in Florida.

2nd Street & Olive St, demolition permit pulled.

24th & Walnut (Popeyes), in conversation with the property owners to get debris cleaned up.

24th & Walnut (NE), property owner is in progress of beginning clean up process.

24th & Walnut (SW), demolition permit pulled.

24th & Walnut (NW), in conversation with the property owners to get debris cleaned up.

13th & Walnut, risk reduction has reached out to the property owner to assist anyway possible.

Reithemeyer, move to adjourn the meeting at 6:40pm second by Brashear.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jessica Rush, City Clerk-Treasurer

C. Greg Hines, Mayor