

MINUTES –April 22, 2025

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, April 22, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Hines.

PUBLIC HEARING:

An Ordinance Declaring A Nuisance Structure And Ordering The Razing And Removal Of Said Structure Within The City Of Rogers, Arkansas, Located At 1109 N. 9th Street

No comment.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Tiffany Colley, resident and elementary teacher in town. Concerns of not having the library open through another summer and asking for the city to put the reopening as a top priority.

ROLL CALL:

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

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek, Community Development Director John McCurdy, Community Development Director Joe Rexwinkle, Recycling Center Superintendent Jerrold Haley, Police Chief Russ Allen, Fire Deputy John Vanetta, Public Relations Manager Peter Masonis, and Records Administrator Jennifer Moore.

ACTION ON MINUTES:

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Motion by Townzen, second by Brashear to approve the minutes of the April 08, 2025 as presented.

Voice vote: Yes -Reithemeyer, Wolf, Townzen, Hayes, Kendall, Surly, Minor. Abstain – Brashear. **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.)

ORD. #25-16 Declaring A Nuisance Structure And Ordering The Razing And Removal Of Said Structure Within The City Of Rogers, Arkansas, Located At 1109 N. 9th Street

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 recognized Fire Deputy John Vanetta.

No questions from council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the Ordinance pass?” Roll call: Unanimous- Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?” Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #2.)

RES. R25-44 Amending The 2025 Budget To Appropriate \$80,000.00 From General Fund Reserves Into Account #100-68-70160 Equipment Maintenance

The resolution was introduced by Wolf 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 Recycling Center Superintendent Jerrold Haley.

No questions from council.

Motion by Hayes, second by Surly to approve the resolution.

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

(Agenda Item #3.)

RES. R25-45 Amending The 2025 Budget Appropriate \$59,945.00 From Account #100-09-80100.005 It Capital Cat B Into Account #100-09-70250.005 Computer Expense Cat B

The resolution was introduced by Wolf 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 Chief Russ Allen.

Brashear, the line item number is different. Wilhelm, there is a new appropriation in Section 2 for new Chromebooks missed during the budgeting process.

Motion by Reithemeyer, second by Wolf to approve

the resolution.

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

(Agenda Item #4.)

ORD. #25-17 Amending Appendix A, Article II, Division 1 Of The City Of Rogers Code Of Ordinances To Include Certain Language In The Carroll Electric Cooperative Franchise Agreement

Mayor, request to bundle items #4 & #5, motion by Hayes, second Wolf. Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes.

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

Minor, chair of Community Environment & Welfare Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do Pass” and recognized Community Development Director John McCurdy.

No questions from council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the Ordinance pass?” Roll call: Unanimous- Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?” Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #5.)

ORD. #25-18 Amending Appendix A, Article II, Division 2 Of The City Of Rogers Code Of Ordinances To Include Certain Language In The Southwest Electrical Power Company, Franchise Agreement

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

Minor, chair of Community Environment & Welfare Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do Pass” and recognized Community Development Director John McCurdy.

No questions from council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the Ordinance pass?” Roll call: Unanimous- Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?” Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

(Agenda Item #1.)

ORD. #25-19 Accepting The Final Plat Of NWA
Industrial Partners Warehouses,
Rogers, Benton County, Arkansas;
The Dedication Of Utility Easements
And Other Public Ways Therein

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

No questions from council.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the Ordinance pass?" Roll
call: Unanimous- Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

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

APPOINTMENTS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Reithemeyer, move to adjourn the meeting at 6:48pm
second by Wolf.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jessica Rush, City Clerk-Treasurer

C. Greg Hines, Mayor