

Bryant City Council Meeting

April 30, 2024 - 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

A prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Treat.

Call to Order- Mayor Treat at 6:31 pm

Roll Call

Council Members Present: Star Henson, Jon Martin, Lisa Meyer, Jack Moseley, Jordan O’Roark, and Rob Roedel. Absent: Jason Brown, Wade Permenter. Quorum Present.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of March 26, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

[YT 4:15]

Motion to approve - Council Member O’Roark, Second by Council Member Henson.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. Shane Knight was unable to attend

PUBLIC COMMENTS

[YT 5:15]

Joseph McIntire stated the Oak Hill Property Owners Association spent \$3000 to cleanout the culvert and asked for more City help.

NEW BUSINESS

Finance

3. Monthly Financial Report– Ending March 31, 2024

[YT 8:25]

Acceptance and Approval of the Financial Report for the period ending February 29, 2024.
Motion to approve - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Henson.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

4. Resolution 2024-14 Amending the City Budget

[YT 9:15]

A Resolution to amend the City Budget for the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024.

The Mayor reported that he has spoken with partners, Bryant Schools as well as the Saline County officials regarding the additional costs related to the Parkway tie-in with Improvement Area 3 and County Road 1.

As the elements become known he expects that all the partners will work to cover this cost.
Motion to approve - Council Member Roedel, Second by Council Member O’Roark.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

□ **RESOLUTION 2024 - 14**

City Government

- 5. Ordinance 2024-06 Establish the Community Engagement Committee** [YT 11:40]
An Ordinance to restructure and establish an eight-member Community Engagement Committee, appoint community engagement committee members for the city of Bryant, and for other purposes.
Motion to suspend the rules and read 1st, 2nd, 3rd reading by title only by Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member O’Roark.
Title read by Mayor.
Motion to adopt - Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member O’Roark.
Roll Call Vote. YEA: Henson, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Roedel.
NEA: Brown, Permenter (absent).
Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

- 6. Appoint Eight members to the Community Engagement Committee** [YT 13:30]
Ward 1- Randy Robinson and Glencora Withers
Ward 2- Christopher Ramsey and Yesenia Solis
Ward 3- Roderick Daniels and Dustin Fullerton
Ward 4- Rene Moseley and Daniel Daily
Motion to approve - Council Member Henson, Second by Council Member O’Roark.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

Community Development– Presented by Colton Leonard, Interim Director

 [YT 14:25]

- 7. Resolution 2024-15 to utilize federal-aid Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) or Recreational Trails Program Funds**
Debswood Park to Evans Loop Trail Connector Phase 1 will be 0.5 mile long and connect subdivisions to Reynolds Road.
Motion to approve - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Moseley.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

Human Resources- Presented by Charlotte Rue, Director

- 8. Approval to Unfreeze Part-Time, Non-Public Safety Positions** [YT 15:50]
Director Rue explained these positions include part time life guard, labor and staff positions.
Motion to approve - Council Member O’Roark, Second by Council Member Henson.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

Parks and Recreation - Presented by Keith Cox, Director

- 9. Master Plan Approval - Recommendation from the Parks Committee** [YT 16:50]
Director Cox explained that this Master Plan which has been over two years in the making, comes with the recommendation of the Parks Committee and staff as well as the steering committee and the hundreds of citizens that have participated in the planning meetings. Their request is to proceed with the scope of the plan- the individual elements will be presented separately to the Council as time and funding permits.
Motion to approve - Council Member Moseley, Second by Council Member Martin.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

Public Works- Tim Fournier, Director

10. Resolution 2024-16

[YT 18:25]

A resolution of intent regarding the upsizing of Springhill Gravity Sewer Main.
Motion to approve - Council Member Roedel, Second by Council Member Henson.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

11. RFP Review for Comprehensive Rate Study

[YT 19:00]

Water and Sewer rate study per Act 605, Ordinance 2021-7 and Ordinance 2021-6.

12. Purchase of 2024 Dodge Ram 1500 Crew Cab

[YT 20:55]

Purchase will be used in the Street Department for the Assistant Mechanic with trade-in.
Motion to approve - Council Member Roedel, Second by Council Member Henson.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

13. Ordinance 2024-7 Amends Ordinance No. 2012-17

[YT 21:50]

An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 2012-17 to collect late fees for Water and Sewage Bills, To Declare an Emergency, and for other Purposes.
Motion to suspend the rules and read 1st, 2nd, 3rd reading by title only by Council Member Roedel, Second by Council Member Meyer.
Title read by Mayor.
Motion to adopt - Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member Henson.
Roll Call Vote. YEA: Henson, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Roedel.
NEA: Brown, Permenter (2 absent).
Motion to Adopt Emergency Clause Council Member Martin, Second Council Member Roedel.
Roll Call Vote. YEA: Henson, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Roedel.
NEA: Brown, Permenter (2 absent).
Motion Passed 6-2 (2 absent).

14. Purchase of Jeep Cherokee

[YT 23:40]

Purchase of Jeep Cherokee for the Inspector- Storm Water Department.
Motion to approve - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Moseley.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

Motion by Council Member Roedel, Second by Council Member Meyer to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 6-2, (2 absent).

[YT 25:00]

Council and Mayor returned from Executive Session with No Report.

[YT 47:45]

Council Comments

[YT 48:10]

Jordon O’Roark- Congratulations to Keith Cox on his promotion to Parks Director.
Lisa Meyer- Likes new communication forms. Other Council Members agreed.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn by Council Member Meyer, second by Council Member Moseley.
Adjourned time: 7:17pm.