

Council Proceeding's
Regular Meeting
February 21, 2024

The Regular Council Proceedings for the City of Rockwood was called to order by Mayor Troy Cox in the Council Chambers at 7:00 PM located at 32409 Fort Rd.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Cox, Council Members Bennett, Cramton, Farmer, Grzywacz, Joaquin, and Wasner

Absent: None

City Officials

Present: Police Chief Krause, Deputy Fire Chief Baumia, Administer Weekly, Treasurer McCoy, DPW Director Boron, Attorney Pelland, and City Clerk Oney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M-028-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to approve this evening's agenda as presented.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

PUBLIC DISCUSSION (Items not on Agenda)

Tanina Bodner
21750 Lincoln St.

Ms. Bodner stated that there are containers at the corner of Burton St. and Lincoln St. that are abandon and have trash laying around them all the time. They sit in the gravel parking lot of the laundry mat. She stated that she has called about 4-5 times within the last 2 years. She stated that she would help rectify this if she needs to, however, she does not want to be the one to pick up the trash all the time. The dumpster does not look like it is up to code. She thought that the dumpsters had to have a barrier around it. Ms. Bodner stated that she works at Ritter Elementary School, and they had to move a dumpster and posted a sign that it could not be blocked on trash pick up days. So maybe this is something that they can do. These are the same containers that were at the Save-a-lot parking lot, and they had a problem with them there and that's why they were moved.

Mayor Cox stated that he will send someone out to take pictures and try to get this taken care of.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION (Items on Agenda)

None

ACTION AGENDA

M-029-24 Motion by Wasner/Cramton to approve this evening's action agenda as presented.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENTS

Police Department:

Police Chief Krause discussed the monthly report, Request to Hire-Police Officer, and equipment rental.

M-030-24 Motion by Wasner/Joaquin to accept the Police Activity Report for the month of January 2024, dated February 13, 2024

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-031-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to authorize the hiring of Freddie Harshbarger as a full-time police officer effective February 12, 2024

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-032-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to pay the LensLock Inc. invoice in the amount of \$3,146.50 to be funded from the equipment rental fund.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Chief Krause stated that he did get in touch with Wayne County about the Woodruff/Fort St. intersection. They came out to do a study, the chief is not sure when they did this, but they did not find any cause to put a light or other signs at this intersection. Chief Krause did ask that if communities were to combine and purchase the signal and control box. They declined to entertain that option. Chief Krause stated that he had Sgt. Mitchell go over the crash reports and he will go over that with anyone that wants to know after the meeting.

Council Member Wasner asked if he was able to get in touch with Darrin Camilleri

Chief Krause stated that he decided to let the political part of the city tackle that avenue.

Mayor Cox stated that he is supposed to meet with him next week.

Fire Department:

Deputy Chief Baumia discussed the January monthly report, and purchase-replacement computer.

M-032-24 Motion by Wasner/Cramton to receive and file the Fire Department Monthly Report for January 2024

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Council Member Joaquin asked who writes the Fire Department Grants

Deputy Chief Baumia stated that Chief Mercure took a class, and he writes them on his own.

M-033-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to approve the purchase of a Microsoft Surface Pro 8, keyboard, and screen protectors with a total cost not to exceed \$964.76 to be funded from the Misc Equipment fund.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer McCoy discussed the Purchasing Policy, and Third Quarter 2023-2024 Budget Amendments

M-034-24 Motion by Farmer/Bennett to accept and approve implementation of the Purchasing Policy, as presented.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-035-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to approve the recommended budget amendments to the General Fund, Community Center, DPW, Major Streets, Water Fund, and Inspections, as recommended.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Mayor Cox wanted to thank the treasurer for taking the time to write this policy.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Director Boron discussed the purchase of new water meters and inspection for lift stations and EQ pumps.

M-036-24 Motion by Farmer/Wasner to approve the purchase of 20 one-inch water meters to replace dead or outdated meters.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-037-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to approve yearly inspection for the lift stations and EQ pumps.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Council Member Joaquin asked how they could tell that it needs to be replaced.

Director Boron stated that they don't know beforehand when they are going out. The meter just quits reading, and it needs to be replaced.

Council Member Joaquin asked if we could buy these in bulk to save money.

Director Boron stated that we have done that before and the meters just sat there for 2 years, and we lost that battery time.

CONSIDERATION ITEMS

None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

None

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Pelland discussed the amendments to Chapter 176, Article II and III in City Code and amendment to Sections 109-2 and 109-6 in City Code

M-038-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to adopt the first reading of Chapter 176 Amendment as listed in 10 A

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-039-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to adopt the first reading of ordinance to amend section 109-2 and 109-6

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cox discussed the new rates for the Rockwood Community Center

M-040-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to approve the new rates for the Rockwood Community Center as presented.

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Cox read a letter sent to him by a resident.

The letter reads as follows:

Good evening,

I just want to give a huge shout out to your staff. Today my daughters (4 and 1 ½ years old) came in to pay our taxes. We were greeted and taken care of by Amy, and she was so pleasant =. She learned that it was my 4 years olds birthday today and took us to see the fire trucks. Then the sweet lady working in the police station radioed for Officer Billy to come to the station so she could see him and the police car. He turned the lights on and let her check out the car. It Literally

made her birthday. It was sweet of them to treat her so sweet and make her feel extra special.

Thank you for having such wonderful humans serving and working for our community.

Many Thanks,
Alyse Timmons

Mayor Cox would like to thank Officer Baugh, Kathy Krause, and Amy Hutchison.

Council Member Wasner asked if there was any kind of recognition that would be going in their file.

Mayor Cox stated that he would come up with something.

ADJOURNMENT

M-041-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to adjourn this evening's Council Meeting at 7:22 PM

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

City Clerk, Colleen E. Oney

Mayor, Troy A. Cox