

Council Proceeding's
Regular Meeting
January 17, 2024

The Regular Council Meeting for the City of Rockwood was called to order by Mayor Troy Cox in the Council Chambers at 7:00 PM

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

City Officials

Present: Police Chief Krause, Fire Chief Mercure, Administrator Weekly, Treasurer McCoy, DPW Director Boron, Attorney Pelland, and City Clerk Oney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M-009-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to approve this evening's agenda as presented

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

PUBLIC DISCUSSION (Items not on Agenda)

None

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None

ACTION AGENDA

M-010-24 Motion by Wasner/Farmer to approve this evening's action agenda items A) Council Minutes – January 3, 2024, B) Accounts Payable C) Master Plan Workshop Minutes – January 16, 2024

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENTS

Police Department:

Chief Krause discussed the Police Department Monthly Report for December 2023

M-011-24 Motion by Bennett/Joaquin to receive and file the Police Department Monthly Report – December 2023 as presented

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

Chief Krause wanted to thank the officers, fire department, and DPW for all of their hard working during the super cold days that we have had, we all know that it is not pleasant out there but they have been out in the subzero wind chills keeping things going.

Fire Department:

Chief Mercure discussed the Fire Department Monthly Report for December 2023

M-011-24

Motion by Wasner/Bennett to receive and file the Fire Department Monthly Report for December 2023

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

Chief Mercure stated that the Goodfellows were able to help 28 families this year

Treasurer's Report:

No formal report

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Director Boron discussed the purchase of new water meter software and reading equipment

M-012-24

Motion by Wasner/Joaquin to approve the purchase of new water meter software and reading equipment from Ferguson Waterworks Meter & Automation Group in the amount of \$10,746.36

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

CONSIDERATION ITEMS

None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

No Formal Report

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No Formal Report

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cox discussed the increase in pay for the Fire Chief, New scanner for the Building Department, and Increase in pay for the Community Center Director

M-013-24 Motion by Wasner/Cramton to approve a wage increase for Daniel Mercure in the amount of \$4,000.00 annually as presented

Mayor Cox stated that comparing with all other local communities we are way below the annual salary for the Fire Chief. Chief Mercure has the extra money in his budget so this will not come out of the general fund

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

M-014-24 Motion by Grzywacz/Joaquin to approve the purchase of a scanner for the Building Department with the cost not to exceed \$625.00

Mayor Cox stated that this scanner will be right on the building clerks' desk which will make her work more efficient. The scanner that has been selected is compatible with the BS&A.

Council Member Joaquin asked if this included the warranty.

Mayor Cox stated that he did not check on that but he is sure it won't be much more to add a warranty

Council Member Joaquin stated that he would like the motion to reflect the \$59.99 for a 4-year warranty

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

M-015-24 Motion by Grzywacz/Joaquin to approve the wage increase of \$2.00 for Nataliya Musick. This will make her hourly rate \$17.00/hour

Mayor Cox stated that Nataliya was hired in 2015 at the rate of \$15/hour and at the present time she is still making \$15/hour. Mayor Cox stated that compared with the rest of the communities downriver this would be a fair increase in pay.

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Council Member Grzywacz wanted to remind the community about the upcoming election. She stated that Early voting would take place starting February 17 – 25 from 8 am to 4 pm at the Community Center. Then on February 27, 2024 at the Community Center from 7 am to 8 pm

City Clerk Oney stated that the information is a little off.

Early Voting will take place at Rockwood City Hall on the second floor in the community room starting February 17 – 25 from 8 am – 4 pm and regular voting will take place at the Rockwood Community Center on February 27, 2024 from 7 am to 8 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Wasner stated that we have 63 days until spring.

Mayor Cox stated that it can't come soon enough

Council Member Grzywacz wanted to discuss the opening positions on the Planning Commission and asked Council Member Wasner to give information on that

Council Member Wasner stated that we are seeking members for the Planning Commission and ZBA also has openings. If anyone is interested in volunteering they can call City Hall. The qualifications are that you are a resident of Rockwood.

ADJOURNMENT

M-016-24 Motion by Wasner/Bennett to adjourn this evening's meeting at 7:13 pm

Ayes are unanimous

Motion Carried

City Clerk, Colleen E. Oney

Mayor, Trot A. Cox