

# Bryant City Council Meeting January 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 Council Member Jon Martin.

**Call to Order-** Mayor Sanders at 6:30 pm

### Roll Call

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

Council Members Absent: Rob Roedel. Quorum Present.

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

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. **Approval of December 19, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Minutes** [YT 2:10]  
Motion to approve - Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member Brown.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

### PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. **Committee/Commission Liaisons - Mayor Sanders appointed the following Council Members to each of the City's Committees/Commissions.** [YT 2:45]  
Planning Commission - Jon Martin and Wade Permenter;  
Parks Committee - Star Henson and Rob Roedel;  
Water Sewer Advisory Committee - Lisa Meyer and Jack Moseley;  
Community Engagement Committee - Jordan O’Roark and Jason Brown.

### DIRECTOR’S REPORTS

3. **Animal Control-** Tricia Power- Director, presented the 2023 year in review. [YT 3:45]
4. **Public Comments**  
Brendon Sutherland- thinks \$15 sewer fee is unfair [YT 20:25]  
Adam Baker- gave an update on Salt County Lacrosse  
King David Aker- wants progress on flooding issues in Crossing Loop neighborhood  
Joseph McIntyre- thankful for Police presence at school and hoping for speed reduction  
Randy Bullock- concerned speed reduction on Hilltop Road will be too slow

### OLD BUSINESS

5. **Coral Ridge Property Update-** Director Treat announced that the Parks Committee [YT 41:55]  
does not wish to pursue a property donation in the Coral Ridge subdivision.

## City Attorney- Ashley Clancy

### 6. Ordinance to Reduce the Speed Limit on Hilltop Road - 2nd reading [YT 42:40]

An ordinance to reduce the speed limit on Hilltop Road in Bryant, AR from its present speed limit of 45 MPH to a maximum of 35 MPH; declaring an emergency; and for other purposes.

Motion by Council Member Martin to change the Ordinance to 40 MPH, Second by Council Member Moseley.

Discussion followed.

Voice Vote results were unclear and the Mayor called for a Roll Call Vote.

YEA: Brown, Henson, Martin, Moseley.

NEY: Meyer, O’Roark, Permenter. ABSENT: Roedel.

Vote total: YEAS 4 NEY 4

The Mayor did not vote. Motion Failed.

Motion to read on 2nd reading by Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member Brown.  
Mayor read Ordinance title.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Water/Wastewater Committee

[YT 52:30]

#### 7. Water Sewer Advisory Committee Secretary Appointment as required by by-laws.

Director Tim Fournier nominated Amanda Roe as the new Public Works Administrative Assistant.

Motion to Approve- Council Member Brown, second by Council Member O’Roark.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

*Clerk Note: Due to changes during the meeting, the Agenda numbers and Minute numbers do not match.*

### Finance – Presented by Joy Black, Director

#### 8. Monthly Financial Report – Ending December 31, 2023

[YT 53:30]

Acceptance and Approval of the Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2023.

Motion to approve - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Henson.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

#### 9. Resolution- Budget Amending the 2023 City Budget - A Resolution to amend the [YT 57:20]

City budget for the period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

Motion to approve - Council Member Permenter, Second by Council Member Meyer.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

##### RESOLUTION 2024 - 02

Motion by Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member O’Roark to label

[YT 59:00]

Item 9 Resolution as Resolution 2024-02

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

Motion by Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Meyer to change the [YT 59:40]  
Agenda and place the Council Meeting Resolution next on the Agenda.  
Voice Vote. Motion passed.

**10. Approval of 2024 Council Meeting Dates Resolution** [YT 1:00:25]

City Attorney Clancy presented the Council meeting dates and times.  
Motion to adopt by Council Member Permenter, Second by Council Member Henson.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

□ **RESOLUTION 2024-01**

**11. Resolution - Amending the 2024 City Budget** [YT 1:02:40]

A Resolution to amend the city budget for the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending  
December 31, 2024, Encumbrances ongoing projects from 2023 or before including one  
regular budget adjustment.

Motion to adopt by Council Member Permenter, Second by Council Member Henson.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

□ **RESOLUTION 2024-03**

**12. Ordinance - Ordinance for Record Destruction** [YT 1:04:10]

An Ordinance requesting the destruction of city records per 14-59-114 and 1-237-112.

Motion to suspend the rules and read 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> reading by title only by Council Member  
Martin, Second by Council Member Henson.

Title read by Mayor.

Motion to adopt - Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member Henson.

Roll Call Vote. YEA: Brown, Henson, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Permenter. Roedel  
absent. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

□ **ORDINANCE 2024-01**

**Community Development** – presented by Interim Director Colton Leonard

**13. Resolution – Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Grant 2024** [YT 1:06:05]

A Resolution Expressing the Willingness of the City of Bryant to Utilize Federal-Aid Funds for  
the Following Project: Debswood Park to Evans Loop Trail Connector.

Grants Coordinator Rebecca Kidder explained that the Community Development Department  
is seeking permission to apply for the \$400,000 80/20 grant that is available through  
Metroplan. The City would be responsible for \$80,000 and Street Department has set the  
funding aside. This trail has been on the City Master Plan for several years.

Discussion followed.

Motion to approve by Council Member O’Roark, Second by Council Member Henson.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

□ **RESOLUTION 2024-04**

**Parks and Recreation** – presented by Chris Treat

**14. Drew Martin appointed to Parks Committee** [YT 1:12:30]

Mayor Sanders recommends Drew Martin serve as Parks Committee representative for  
Ward 4 (2028).

Motion to approve by Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member O’Roark.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

**15. Reappointment of Parks Committee Members**

[YT 1:13:25]

Ward 1: Amanda Jolly (2026); Renee Curtis (2028);

Ward 2: Richard McKeown (2026); Lynn Farmer (2028);

Ward 3: Jason Whittington (2026); Cody Crist (2028).

Motion to approve by Council Member Brown Second by Council Member Permenter.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed 7-1, (1 absent).

**Public Works** – presented by Director, Tim Fournier

**16. Amend Ordinance Section 6 of Ordinance No. 2020-04**

[YT 1:14:20]

An Ordinance to Amend Section 6 of Ordinance No. 2020-04 and Adopting Flood Damage Prevention Code Dated February 1, 2024 for the City of Bryant, Arkansas; and prescribing other matters relating thereto.

Darren Robertson, the City certified Flood Plane Manager recommends two technical changes to the Flood Plane Ordinance that have been approved by Planning Commission.

Discussion followed.

Motion to suspend the rules and read 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> reading by title only by Council Member Henson, Second by Council Member Permenter.

Title read by Mayor.

Motion to adopt - Council Member Permenter, Second by Council Member Meyer.

Roll Call Vote. YEA: Brown, Henson, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Permenter. NEA: Roedel (absent). Motion Passed 8-0.

Motion to Adopt Emergency Clause by Council Member Permenter, Second by Council Member Brown.

Roll Call Vote. YEA: Brown, Henson, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Permenter. NEA: Roedel (absent). Motion Passed 7-1.

☐ **ORDINANCE 2024-02**

**Council Comments**

[YT 1:27:55]

Lisa Meyer- Thanks to Joy Black and staff for Budget Workshop. Thanks to Public Works for work during bad weather.

Wade Permenter- ARDOT is repairing Interstate 30 service roads. Old rezoning signs need pickup.

Jon Martin- Thanks Public Works for work during bad weather.

**Mayor Comments**

[YT 1:31:05]

Community Engagement Committee has met and there are openings for new members.

Thanks city employees for work during bad weather days.

Shout out to City Crews who saluted a funeral procession that passed by their work site.

**Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn by Council Member Brown, second by Council Member Permenter.

Adjourned time: 8:02 PM