

# **Bryant City Council Meeting Minutes**

**January 28, 2025 - 6:30 PM**

Boswell Municipal Complex - City Hall Court Room 210 SW 3rd Street Bryant, Arkansas

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## **UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

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

**Call to Order-** Mayor Treat at 6:31 pm.

**Roll Call** - Present: Walter Burgess, Butch Higginbotham, Jon Martin, Lisa Meyer, Jack Moseley, Jordan O’Roark, and Wade Permenter.

Absent: Rob Roedel.

Quorum Present.

City Clerk Mark Smith and Ashley Clancy was also present.

*Clerk Note: Due to changes during the meeting, the Minutes numbering sequence is different from the Agenda.*

### **Approval of Minutes**

**1. Approval of December 17, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

[YT 3:10]

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

### **Presentations and Announcements**

**2. Appointment of Parks Committee Member** - Tony Williams, Ward 2

[YT 4:35]

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**3. 2025 State of the City** - Presented by Mayor Chris Treat

[YT 5:05]

**Public Comments** – none

### **New Business**

**Finance** – Presented by Joy Black, Director

Council Member Martin made a motion to move item ten to item four, second by Higginbotham.

[YT19:50]

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**City Attorney-** Ashley Clancy

**4. Resolution 2025-01** - A resolution setting meeting dates for City Council for the calendar year 2025.

[YT 20:10]

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**Finance- Joy Black, Director**

- 5. Finance Report - Month ending December 31, 2024.** Approval and acceptance [YT 21:30]  
of the finance report for month ending December 31, 2024.  
Motion to approve - Council Member Higginbotham, Second by Council Member Moseley.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
- 6. Resolution 2025-02** - A resolution providing for the adoption of an amended budget [YT 23:10]  
for the City of Bryant for the twelve-month period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending  
December 31, 2024.  
Motion to approve - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Moseley.  
Director Black answered Council Members questions.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
- 7. Resolution 2025-03** - A resolution providing for the adoption of an amended budget [YT 26:00]  
for the City of Bryant for the twelve-month period beginning January 1, 2025 and ending  
December 31, 2025.  
Motion to approve - Council Member O’Roark, Second by Council Member Martin.  
Director Black answered Council Members questions.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
- 8. Resolution 2025-04** - A resolution regarding an updated purchasing policy for the [YT 35:10]  
City of Bryant.  
After lengthy discussion, Council Member Martin made a Motion to Table, Second by Council  
Member Higginbotham.  
Voice Vote. Motion to Table Passed.
- 9. Ordinance 2025-01** - An ordinance providing for permission to destroy certain city [YT 1:08:05]  
records per city policy in Resolution 2015-05; and for other purposes with an emergency  
clause.  
Motion to suspend the rules and read first, second and third reading by title only - Council  
Member Higginbotham, Second - Council Member Meyer.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.  
Ordinance title read by Mayor Treat  
Motion to adopt - Council Member Meyer, Second - Council Member O’Roark.  
Roll Call Vote. YES: Burgess, Higginbotham, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Permenter.  
ABSENT: Roedel.  
Motion Passed 7-1.  
Motion to adopt Emergency Clause - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member  
Higginbotham.  
Roll Call Vote- YES: Burgess, Higginbotham, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Permenter.  
ABSENT: Roedel.  
Ordinance Passed 7-1.

**Animal Control – Presented by Tricia Power, Director**

- 10. Coalition of Animal Rescue Transports (CART) Agreement** - Approval of [YT 1:11:05]  
agreement to continue the City’s hosting membership with CART.  
Motion to approve - Council Member Higginbotham, Second by Council Member Meyer.  
Director Power answered Council Members questions.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**Council Member Comments**

Council Member Meyer requested an update on her inquiry regarding costs of Electrical Inspections.

**Mayor Comments**

Past Mayor Memorandums and Agenda Item Histories are available on-line.

Candidates for the Planning Commission are being interviewed.

Plans on being more consistent with Council Members one on one meetings.

**Adjournment** by Council Member Martin and Council Member Permenter at 7:49 pm.