

Bryant City Council Meeting Minutes

February 25, 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 Lisa Meyer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Treat.

Call to Order- Mayor Treat at 6:32 pm.

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

Quorum Present.

City Clerk Mark Smith and Ashley Clancy was also present.

Motion by Council Member Martin to add the February 13, 2025 Minutes to the Agenda second by Council Member Permenter.

[YT 4:50]

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of January 28, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

[YT 5:15]

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

2. Approval of February 13, 2025 Special Council Meeting Minutes

[YT 5:30]

Motion to approve - Council Member Higginbotham, Second by Council Member Burgess.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

Presentations and Announcements

3. Appointment of Community Engagement Committee Member –

[YT 5:50]

Cpt. Anthony James, Ward 1.

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

4. Appointment of Planning Commission Member - Terri Thompson, Ward 2.

[YT 6:40]

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

Director’s Report - Ted Taylor, Director

5. Planning & Development - Ted Taylor, Director

[YT 7:00]

Discussion of electrical inspection costs

Public Comments

[YT 13:30]

Patricia Joiner- compensation for yard and taking of property.

Angela Barnett- yard not restored, retaining wall on her property and other issues.

New Business

Finance- Joy Black, Director

- 6. Finance Report - Month ending January 31, 2025** - Approval and acceptance of the [YT 20:55]
Finance report for month ending January 31, 2025.
Director Black answered Council Members questions.
Motion to approve - Council Member Roedel, Second by Council Member Martin.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
- 7. Resolution 2025-05** - A resolution providing for the adoption of an amended budget [YT 23:50]
for the City of Bryant for the twelve-month period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending
December 31, 2024.
Director Black answered Council Members questions.
Motion to approve - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Higginbotham.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
- 8. Resolution 2025-06** - A resolution providing for the adoption of an amended budget [YT 27:20]
for the City of Bryant for the twelve-month period beginning January 1, 2025 and ending
December 31, 2025.
Director Black answered Council Members questions.
Motion to approve - Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member O’Roark.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
- 9. Resolution 2025-07** - A resolution regarding an updated Purchasing Policy for the [YT 29:20]
City of Bryant.
Director Black answered Council Members questions.
Motion to approve - Council Member Higginbotham, Second by Council Member Roedel.
Mayor Treat called for a Roll Call Vote.
YES: Burgess, Higginbotham, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Roedel, Permenter.
Motion Passed.
- 10. Resolution 2025-08** - A resolution accepting proof of record destruction authorized [YT 35:50]
by Ordinance 2025-02.
Motion to approve - Council Member O’Roark, Second by Council Member Martin.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

City Attorney – Ashley Clancy

- 11. Resolution 2025-09** - A resolution establishing a committee to review and evaluate [YT 37:10]
funding plans for key municipal services.
Motion to approve - Council Member O’Roark, Second by Council Member Burgess.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.
- 12. Resolution 2025-10** - A resolution endorsing Bryant's Strategic Plan for 2025-2026. [YT 38:00]
Motion to approve - Council Member Roedel, Second by Council Member Martin.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

13. Westpointe Property Survey Request

[YT 39:00]

Attorney Clancy asked for permission to negotiate with Ms. Joyner and Ms. Burnett and answered Council Members questions.

Motion to approve - Council Member Higginbotham, Second by Council Member Permenter.
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

Planning & Development - Rebecca Kidder, Grants Coordinator

14. Resolution 2025-11 - A resolution expressing the willingness of the City of Bryant to apply for and participate in the Metroplan Climate Pollution Reduction Grant: Central Arkansas Green Network Grant.

[YT 42:00]

Ms. Kidder explained that the Resolution needed to be updated due to minor changes that had occurred in the last few days.

Motion to amend Resolution by Council Member Roedel, Second by Council Member O 'Roark.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

Public Works – Tim Fournier, Director

15. Bryant Parkway Lights - Discussion

Director Fournier explained that new lights on the Parkway will be installed south of the Raymar overpass to Shobe Road and also answered questions.

[YT 45:00]

16. Woodland Hills Contract

[YT 46:55]

Director Fournier explained that Bryant supplies water to Woodland Hills and answered Council Members questions.

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

17. Water Deposit and Service Fee Requirement for Apartment Units

[YT 47:50]

Director Fournier answered Council Members questions.

Motion to approve - Council Member O'Roark, Second by Council Member Martin.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

Council Member Comments

Council Member Meyer would like to see the city promote the Waterscope water monitoring software. Council Member Higginbotham congratulated Council Member Burgess on his appointment to "75 Strong" by the Arkansas Economic Development Commission.

Mayor Comments

Encouraged everyone to contact their legislators regarding Senate bills SB 201 and SB 268 for more funding for meals for seniors.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn- Council Member Higginbotham, Second by Council Member Burgess at 7:23 pm.