

# **Bryant City Council Meeting Minutes**

**July 29, 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 led by Council Member Roedel and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Treat.

**Call to Order-** Mayor Treat at 6:30 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 Attorney Ashley Clancy and City Clerk Mark Smith were also present.

### **Approval of Minutes**

#### **1. Approval of May 24, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes**

[YT 3:20]

Motion to approve - Council Member Meyer, Second by Council Member Jack Moseley.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

### **Presentations and Announcements**

#### **2. Animal Control Grants and Update – Presented by Tricia Power, Animal Control Director**

[YT 4:30]

Director Power gave an update on grants her department had been awarded including a “\$1000 Return to Owner” grant and a “\$5000 Partner Up” grant. The Bryant Shelter was also named “Best Animal Shelter” by Saline Courier readers.

#### **3. Municipal Funding Committee – Council Member Lisa Meyer**

[YT 6:00]

Council Member Meyer reported that the Committee has been listening to the citizens and they have concluded that the Storm Water project will need to be scaled back. Additional methods of funding will need to be secured. The funding portion has been tabled as the Committee continues their other work.

### **No Public Comments**

### **New Business**

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

#### **4. Finance Report - Month ending June 30, 2025**

[YT 8:10]

Approval and acceptance of the finance report for the month ending June 30, 2025.  
Director Black indicated that the budget is still on forecast.  
Motion to accept - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member O’Roark.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

#### **5. Resolution 2025-28 - A resolution providing for the adoption of an amended budget**

[YT 11:55]

for the City of Bryant for the twelve month period beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025.

Motion to adopt - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Moseley.  
Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**6. City of Bryant Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for 2024**

[YT 13:00]

Approval and acceptance of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

Motion to accept - Council Member Burgess, Second by Council Member Meyer.

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**City Attorney-** Presented by Ashley Clancy

**7. Resolution 2025-29-** A resolution to recognize the Arkansas 250 Commission as it begins its work to celebrate Arkansas's rich two-hundred-fifty-year history from the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, through July 4, 2026. [YT 27:40]

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**Human Resources-** Presented by Charlotte Rue, Director

**8. Ordinance 2025-5** - An ordinance to amend ordinance no. 2011-27 to provide that the salaries of elected officials shall be based upon the most recently adopted salary study rather than a JESAP study; and for other purposes. [YT 28:45]

Motion to suspend the rules and read first, second and third reading by title only - Council Member Martin, Second by Council Member Higginbotham.

Voice Vote. Motion passed.

Ordinance read by the Mayor.

Motion to adopt by Council Member Meyer, second by Council Member O’Roark.

Roll Call Vote. YES: Burgess, Higginbotham, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Permenter.

ABSENT: Roedel.

Motion Passed 7-1.

**9. Resolution 2025-30** - A resolution regarding an updated compensation policy handbook for the City of Bryant. [YT 32:35]

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**Parks and Recreation-** Presented by Matt Martin, Assistant Director

**10. Resolution 2025-31** - A resolution of the City Council of Bryant, Arkansas, accepting the donation of property from Joyce Boswell to be utilized by the Bryant Parks Department and designated as Joyce Boswell's desire to donate certain real property to the City of Bryant for public use and benefit. [YT 33:20]

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

Voice Vote. Motion Passed.

**Planning and Development** – Presented by Ashley Clancy

**11. Ordinance 2025-6** - An Ordinance to Establish and Lay Off Bryant Municipal Property Owners Multipurpose Improvement District No. 137 (Midland Road Estates Subdivision), and Declaring an Emergency. [YT 35:00]

**Open Public Hearing** 7:03 pm

No comments

**Close Public Hearing** 7:04 pm

Attorney Terry Jensen was present on behalf of the Improvement District.

Motion to suspend the rules and read first, second and third reading by title only - Council Member Higginbotham, Second by Council Member Meyer.

Voice Vote. Motion passed.

Ordinance read by the Mayor.

Motion to adopt by Council Member Higginbotham, second by Council Member Meyer.

Roll Call Vote. YES: Burgess, Higginbotham, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Permenter.

ABSENT: Roedel.

Motion Passed 7-1.

Motion to add an Emergency Clause by Council Member Higginbotham, Second - Council Member O’Roark.

Roll Call Vote. YES: Burgess, Higginbotham, Martin, Meyer, Moseley, O’Roark, Permenter.

ABSENT: Roedel.

Motion Passed 7-1.

## **Council Comments**

Council Meyer appreciates the Mayor and Public Works for the completion of the drainage project on LaCross Drive.

## **Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn- Council Member Burgess, Second by Council Member Martin at 7:09 pm.