CITY OF WARD



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Council Meeting Minutes – 12/20/21 Council Chambers

- I. <u>Call to Order:</u> was called to order by Mayor Gastineau @ 6:30.
 - Prayer
 - Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Roll Call: by City Clerk Ruble. Council Members Rummel- Present, Morris-here, Harbort here, Hefner –absent, McMinn -absent, and Shetron –absent. We have a quorum with the Mayor present
- III. Review/approval of November 15, 2021 Council Minutes: Mr. Harbort made a motion to approve the November 15, 2021 Council Minutes, second by Mr. Morris. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote
- IV. <u>Department Reports and Financials:</u> Mr. Harbort made a motion to approve the department reports as presented, second by Mr. Morris. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote.
- V. <u>Planning Commission Report</u>: Mr. Morris made a motion to approve the Commission reports as presented, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote.
- VI. <u>Unfinished Business:</u>
 - a. BIG SLAB DISCUSSION: No action taken.

VIII New Business:

- a. RESOLUTION 2021-33: A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022: Mr. Harbort made a motion to approve R-2021-33, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea
- **b. RESOLUTION 2021-34:** A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE ANNUAL WARD WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM OPERATING BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022: Mr. Morris made a motion to approve R-2021-34, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea

- C. ORDINANCE 2021-15: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2018-04, SETTING FORTH THE DUTIES OF THE CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS; ESTABLISHING THE SALARY OF CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES: Mr. Harbort made a motion to put O-2021-15 on its first reading, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to set the Salary at \$24,500.00 per year, second by Mrs. Rummel. Motion passes with a 4-0 voice vote. Mr. Harbort made a motion to suspend the rules and put O-2021-15 on its second and third reading, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Morris-yea, Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to adopt O-2021-15 second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion approved with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to enact an emergency clause for O-2021-15, second by Mr. Morris. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea.
- d. ORDINANCE 2021-16: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE O-2021-12; CLARIFYING THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE OF MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS; ESTABLISHING THE SALARY OF MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES: Mr. Harbort made a motion to put O-2021-16 on its first reading, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to set the Salary at \$45,370.00 per year, second by Mrs. Rummel. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to suspend the rules and put O-2021-16 on its second and third reading, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to adopt O-2021-16 second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion approved with a 4-0 roll call vote. Morris-yea Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to enact an emergency clause for O-2021-16, second by Mr. Morris. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Morris-yea, Rummel-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea.
- e. RESOLUTION 2021-35: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF WARD TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LIFE SAFETY SYSTEMS TO PURCHASE A NEW SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM FOR CITY HALL AND THE STREET DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE FACILITY: Mr. Harbort made a motion to approve R-2021-35, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea
- f. RESOLUTION 2021-36: A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDS: Mr. Harbort made a motion to approve R-2021-36, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea

- g. RESOLUTION 2021-37: A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A REGIONAL GREENWAYS PARKWARY INITIATIVE AS A WHOLE, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR CITY CLERK TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR CONTINUED ENGINEERING OF THE WARD TO AUSTIN TO CABOT SEGMENT: Mrs. Rummel made a motion to approve R-2021-37, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea
- h. RESOLUTION 2021-38: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR CITY CLERK TO EXPEND ADDITIONAL FUNDS IN THE 2016 SRTS/TAP SIDEWALK PROJECT: Mr. Morris made a motion to approve R-2021-38, second by Mr. Harbort. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Morris-yea, Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea
- i. RESOLUTION 2021-39: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH KIRBY'S TELEPHONE SERVICE FOR A NEW DIGITAL PHONE SYSTEM FOR CITY HALL COMPLEX: Mr. Morris made a motion to approve R-2021-39, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea
- j. ORDINANCE 2021-17: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND UPDATING THE CITY OF WARD MASTER STREET PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES: Mr. Harbort made a motion to put O-2021-17 on its first reading, second by Mrs. Rummel. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Rummel-yea, Morris-yea, Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to suspend the rules and put O-2021-17 on its second and third reading, second by Mr. Morris. Discussion. Motion passes with a 4-0 roll call vote. Morris-yea, Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea. Mr. Harbort made a motion to adopt O-2021-17 second by Mr. Morris. Discussion. Motion approved with a 4-0 roll call vote. Harbort-yea, Mayor-yea, Rummel-yea, Morris-yea.
- K. PROCLAMATION NATIONAL DAY OF RACIAL HEALING: Read by City Clerk Ruble
- IX. Mayor's Report: Presented by Mayor Gastineau
- X. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: No Comments
- XI. <u>Announcements (COVID-19 Protocols Apply, as needed)</u>
 - Planning Commission: December 27, 7:00 pm
 - City Offices Closed: December 23rd 24th
 - City Offices Closed: December 31st
 - City Council: January 17, 6:30 pm
 - City Offices Closed: January 17th MLK Day

XII. <u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at with a motion by Mr. Harbort, second by Mrs. Rummel. Motion to adjourn passed with a 4-0 voice vote.

We, the undersigned Mayor and City Clerk for the City of Ward, do hereby verify the foregoing to be true and correct record of proceedings of the City of Ward Council Meeting held on Monday, December 20th, 2021 at 6:30pm.

APPROVED DATE: January 17, 2021

MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY SEAL