

Bentonville City Council
Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2016

The City Council of Bentonville, Arkansas, met in regular session Tuesday, January 26, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., at the Community Development Building, 305 Southwest A Street, Bentonville, Arkansas.

Present were council members Stephanie Orman, John Skaggs, Chris Sooter, James Smith, Bill Burckart, Octavio Sanchez and Jim Webb, with Tim Robinson absent. Also present were Mayor Bob McCaslin, City Attorney George Spence, City Clerk Linda Spence, the press, city staff and the audience.

At 6:00 p.m., prior to calling the meeting to order, Mayor McCaslin invited public comments pertaining to items on the agenda. There was no response so the Mayor declared the comment period closed. The Mayor then invited questions or comments from the Council about items on the agenda and there were none.

Thereafter, Mayor McCaslin called the meeting to order. The Mayor then led everyone present in the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence in support of our armed forces.

Motion was made by Alderman Smith to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2016 meeting as presented, second by Alderman Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

Motion was made by Alderman Sooter to suspend the rules regarding the reading of all ordinances on three separate days and further that all ordinances and resolutions be read by title only, second by Alderman Smith. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

1a. Ordinance No. 2016-17: Ordinance accepting a property line adjustment of Lots 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29, Block 7, W.A. Burks Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: Sonia and Jared Faciszewski;
Location: Northeast Monroe Street]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Webb.
There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with
Alderman Robinson absent.

- 1b. Ordinance No. 2016-18: Ordinance amending the classification of property from commercial to high density residential on the Future Land Use Map for the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: Ronald L. Blackwell Trust;
Location: Southeast C Street and Southeast 28th Street]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Webb.
There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with
Alderman Robinson absent.

2. Ordinance No. 2016-19: Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into an agreement with Boyette Strategic Advisors for services related to the Bentonville Blueprint and waiving the requirement of competitive bidding.

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Alderman Webb, second by Alderman Sanchez.
There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with
Alderman Robinson absent.

3. Ordinance No. 2016-20: Ordinance amending Section 2.68.04 of the Bentonville Municipal Code to increase the composition of the Library Advisory Board from five members to seven members, adding an ex-officio City Council representative.

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.
Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Webb.
There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with
Alderman Robinson absent.

4. Approval to appoint Lee Culpepper to the City of Bentonville Advertising and Promotion Commission, said term to expire on December 31, 2019.

Motion to approve by Alderman Smith, second by Alderman Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

5. Approval to award Bid No. 15-58 to Long Lewis Ford, in the amount of \$93,556, for the purchase of two ambulance chassis.

Motion to approve by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Webb. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

6. Ordinance No. 2016-21: Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into an agreement for the purchase of chlorine for certain parks facilities and waiving the requirement of competitive bidding.

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Webb. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

7. Approval to award Bid No. 15-57 to Pick It Construction, in the amount of \$314,000, for construction of a new restrooms and concession facility at Citizens Park Soccer Complex.

Motion to approve by Alderman Sooter, second by Alderman Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

8. Ordinance No. 2016-22: Ordinance amending the pay plan for the City of Bentonville, Arkansas, to allow for part-time swimming instructors in Parks Department.

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Webb. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

9. Resolution No. 1-26-16 A: Resolution declaring certain property belonging to the City of Bentonville Police Department as surplus property. [firearms]

City Attorney Spence read the resolution by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Smith. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

10. Resolution No. 1-26-16 B: Resolution declaring certain property belonging to the City of Bentonville Police Department as surplus property. [vehicles]

City Attorney Spence read the resolution by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

11. Ordinance No. 2016-23: Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into an agreement with Ferguson Water Works for materials related to the emergency repair of a City waterline damaged due to flooding, waiving the requirement of competitive bidding and declaring an emergency.

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Webb, second by Alderman Orman. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

Motion to pass emergency clause by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.

12. Approval of a budget adjustment in the amount of \$202,046 to the Water/Sewer Department for repairs to a water main that was washed out by the last large rain event.

Motion to approve by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (7-0), with Alderman Robinson absent.


[Alderman Robinson now present at the meeting]

13. Mayor McCaslin presented his State of the City report.

Mayor McCaslin announced that on Monday, February 8th there would be a Committee of the Whole meeting followed by a tour of the Rogers Animal Shelter.

Mike Churchwell announced that there would be a retirement celebration for Suzanne Grider this Friday, January 29, from 10:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Smith.
Motion carried (8-0).



Linda Spence, City Clerk



Bob McCaslin, Mayor

