

Bentonville City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
August 25, 2015

The City Council of Bentonville, Arkansas, met in regular session Tuesday, August 25, 2015, 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, Bill Burckart, Octavio Sanchez and Jim Webb, with Tim Robinson and James Smith 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. 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 Sanchez to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2015 meeting as presented, second by Alderman Burckart. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

Mayor McCaslin recognized Police Chief Jon Simpson. Chief Simpson then introduced Audrey Thompson, Nicholas Raymond, Andrew Max Burger and Colin Shrum, who were then sworn in as police officers by Mayor McCaslin.

1. Mayor McCaslin recognized Denise Land, Finance Director, and thanked her for her outstanding budget work and excellent management of City finances. Mrs. Land was once again awarded with a Certificate of Recognition for Budget Presentation from the Government Finance Officer's

Association. Mrs. Land expressed her thanks and gave credit to her department for all their work.

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 Burckart. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 2a. Ordinance No. 2015-93: Ordinance accepting a lot split of Lots 3 and 4 Schulz Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: Hope Church of Northwest Arkansas;  
Location: 1700 Southeast Moberly Lane]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Orman. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 2b. Ordinance No. 2015-94: Ordinance accepting a property line adjustment of Lot 26 Block 10 of W.A. Burks Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: Robert and Kelly Farno;  
Location: Northeast Park Street and Fillmore Street  
(Northwest corner of intersection)]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Sooter. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 2c. Ordinance No. 2015-95: Ordinance accepting a property line adjustment of Lot 9 Block 4 of Deming's Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: Jeff and Julie Fackler;  
Location: Northwest A Street and Northwest 4th Street  
(Northwest corner of intersection)]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.  
Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by  
Alderman Sooter. There was no discussion. Motion carried  
(6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 2d. Ordinance No. 2015-96: Ordinance accepting a property line adjustment of Lots 4 and 5 of A&T Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: Troy Link Enterprises, LLC and Arvest Bank;  
Location: South Walton Boulevard and Southwest 8th Street  
(Southeast corner of intersection)]

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 (6-0), with  
Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 2e. Ordinance No. 2015-97: Ordinance accepting a lot split of Lot 1 of Campbell Subdivision to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: Brent Campbell; Location: Northeast C Street  
and Northeast Blake Avenue)]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.  
Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by  
Alderman Sooter. There was no discussion. Motion carried  
(6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 2f. Ordinance No. 2015-98: Ordinance changing real estate in the City of Bentonville, Arkansas from its present classification to D-E, downtown edge.

[Applicant: Carlson, Davisson, MSB Holdings, LLC and  
Drummond Industries; Location: 204 and 206 Northwest 3rd  
Street and 310 Northwest A Street]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.  
Motion to pass by Alderman Burckart, second by  
Alderman Sooter. There was no discussion. Motion carried  
(6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 2g. Ordinance No. 2015-99: Ordinance changing real estate in the City of Bentonville, Arkansas from its present classification to RC-2, central residential-moderate density property.

[Applicant: Bike Rack Group, LLC;  
Location: 909 North Main Street]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Sooter. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 2h. Ordinance No. 2015-100: Ordinance changing real estate in the City of Bentonville, Arkansas from its present classification to C-2, general commercial.

[Applicant: Cottonwood Development, LLC;  
Location: Southeast 22nd Street and Southeast G Street]

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

3. Resolution No. 8-25-15 A: Resolution setting a public hearing for September 8, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., on a petition filed by Troy Link Enterprises, LLC, requesting a utility easement vacation within the A&T Addition of the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

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 (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

4. Resolution No. 8-25-14 B: Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with the FAA for an Airport Improvement Program grant for runway south end obstruction removal at Bentonville Municipal Airport.

City Attorney Spence read the resolution by title only.  
Motion to pass by Alderman Sanchez, second by  
Alderman Burckart. There was no discussion. Motion carried  
(6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

5. Ordinance No. 2015-101: Ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with Evans Enterprises, Inc. for the repair of a pump for the wastewater treatment plant, waiving the requirement of competitive bidding and declaring an emergency.

City Attorney Spence read the ordinance by title only.  
Motion to pass by Alderman Orman, second by Alderman Sooter.

Alderman Sanchez asked if the pump was worth repairing.  
Mike Bender, Public Works Director, stated that it was.

Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and  
Alderman Smith absent.

Motion declaring an emergency by Alderman Burckart, second by  
Alderman Webb. There was no discussion. Motion carried  
(6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 6a. Approval to award Bid No. 15-42 to Seven Valleys Concrete, LLC, in the amount of \$224,008 for repair of the corroded concrete and gates in the influent channel at the wastewater treatment plant.

Motion to approve by Alderman Sanchez, second by  
Alderman Orman. There was no discussion. Motion carried  
(6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 6b. Approval of a budget adjustment in the amount of \$224,008 for the repair of the wastewater treatment plant.

Motion to approve by Alderman Burckart, second by  
Alderman Sanchez. There was no discussion. Motion carried  
(6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

7. Resolution No. 8-25-15 C: Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a professional services

agreement with Garver for engineering services to perform a biosolids master plan for the wastewater treatment plant.

City Attorney Spence read the resolution by title only. Motion to pass by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Webb. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

8. Resolution No. 8-25-15 D: Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a land exchange agreement with Keeling Company.

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 (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 9a. Approval to award Bid No. 15-39 to EVS Mid-South for the amount of \$44,489.90 to purchase one self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) compressor unit to be installed at Bentonville Fire Station No. 6.

Motion to approve by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Webb. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

- 9b. Approval of a budget adjustment in the amount of \$44,489.90 to purchase a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) compressor unit to be placed at Bentonville Fire Station No. 6.

Motion to approve by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Orman. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

10. Approval for the appointment of Shara Fisher to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to fill an unexpired term to expire December 31, 2017.

Motion to approve by Alderman Sanchez, second by Alderman Sooter. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Robinson and Alderman Smith absent.

Mayor McCaslin noted that information on sales tax collections showed a 2 percent decrease at \$897,000, but was still more than the budgeted amount of \$750,000.

Alderman Burckart announced that a Youth Suicide Awareness Walk would be held at Orchards Park on Sunday, September 20, 2015, with registration beginning at 1:00 o'clock.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Alderman Burckart, second by Alderman Sooter. Motion carried (6-0).

*Linda Spence*

Linda Spence, City Clerk

*Bob McCaslin*

Bob McCaslin, Mayor

