

Bentonville City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
October 28, 2014

The City Council of Bentonville, Arkansas, met in regular session Tuesday, October 28, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., at the Community Development Building, 305 SW A Street, Bentonville, Arkansas.

Present were council members Mary Baggett, John Skaggs, Chris Sooter, Bill Burckart, Burton Head and Jim Grider, with Roger Thomas 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.

Mayor McCaslin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Mayor 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 Grider to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2014 meeting as presented, second by Alderman Sooter. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Thomas and Alderman Smith absent.

1. Presentation of a proclamation designating October 2014 as Community Planning Month in the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

Mayor McCaslin recognized Troy Galloway, Community Development Director, and expressed his appreciation for the work done by Mr. Galloway and his team and presented the proclamation.

Mr. Galloway stated that the City of Bentonville was recently again recognized by Arkansas Business as a Community of Excellence again this year, specifically for its tree planting blitz in 2013. He added that a winner to the poster contest for junior and senior high art students had been selected and would probably be unveiled in November.

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

- 2a. Ordinance No. 2014-121: Ordinance accepting a lot split of Lots 3 and 4 Whitehead Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: Richard Whitehead;  
Location: 1601 Greenhouse Road]

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

- 2b. Ordinance No. 2014-122: Ordinance accepting a lot split of Lots 18, 19 and 20 of Block 6 Clark's Addition to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: James Martin;  
Location: 407 Southwest 3rd Street]

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

- 2c. Ordinance No. 2014-123: Ordinance accepting a final plat of Windwood Subdivision Phase VI to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas.

[Applicant: ARC Construction;  
Location: Southwest 18th Street]

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

3. Approval for appointment of Chad Alligood to the City of Bentonville's Public Art Advisory Committee.

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

4. Resolution No. 10-28-14 A: Resolution declaring a certain residential structure in the City of Bentonville, Arkansas, a nuisance pursuant to the Bentonville Municipal Code Section 11.24.10 and setting a public hearing.

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

5. Approval of a reconciliation change order in the amount of \$44 as a result of the completion of the Stonehenge Fire Access Road reconstruction.

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

6. Approval to award Bid No. 14-54 to Environmental Process Systems in the amount of \$21,021 for the purchase and installation of new weirs and baffles in the grit chamber at the wastewater treatment plant.

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

7. Approval to award Bid No. 14-55 to General Construction Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$293,644 for the construction of a parking lot at Merchants Baseball Park.

Motion to approve by Alderman Grider, second by Alderman Baggett. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Thomas and Alderman Smith absent.

8. Approval for the Street Department to use approximately \$16,800 from its Capital Equipment line item to purchase two snow plows and one spreader box from HilBilt Sales Corporation.

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

9. Resolution No. 10-28-14 B: Resolution setting public hearings concerning the placement and amount of liens to be secured against certain real property in the City of Bentonville, Arkansas, in order to recover City resources expended in removing unsightly and unsanitary conditions thereon.

[Lots 55, 66 through 70, 81 through 85, 93, 99 and 100 of Stoneburrow Addition Phase 1 to the City of Bentonville, Arkansas]

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

Mayor McCaslin noted that the second Tuesday in November would fall on Veteran's Day, that City offices would be closed, and asked if the Council would consider moving the regular meeting to Monday the 10th of November.

Alderman Burckart made a motion to change the date of the next meeting from Tuesday the 11th of November to Monday the 10th of November, second by Alderman Grider. There was no discussion. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Thomas and Alderman Smith absent.

Mayor McCaslin also announced that the budget for 2015 would be sent out the following week and would be presented and reviewed for the first time on Monday the 10th. He indicated there would also be a Committee of the Whole meeting planned for Monday the 24th to talk about the budget. Mayor McCaslin also stated that

the COLA information had been determined to be a 1.7 percent increase, which would amount to about \$450,000 in budget terms.

Alderman Grider moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Alderman Burckart. Motion carried (6-0), with Alderman Thomas and Alderman Smith absent.

  
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Linda Spence, City Clerk

  
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Bob McCaslin, Mayor