

**LOWELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 28, 2023**

INVOCATION: Councilman Whitehead

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Chris Moore

CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Meeting of the Lowell City Council was called to order at 6:32pm.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Chris Moore asked City Clerk for a verbal roll call. Council Members present were Steve Whitehead, Eric Schein, Lisa DeGifford, Bill Adams, Bryant Sands, Kendell Stucki. Roy Brunson and Adrian Flores were absent. Deputy City Attorney Kieklak was present. A roster of all others in attendance is on file with these minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Lowell City Council Minutes Regular Meeting – February 21, 2023
Financial Statement – February 2023

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion: Kendell Stucki

Second: Steve Whitehead

Vote Aye: B. Adams, DeGifford, Schein, Stucki, Whitehead, Sands

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda approved.

PRESENTATION: Chief Melnicki gave recognition and presented Badges to Fire Fighters Coleman Grubbs, Conner McCune and Saxon Scott.

PUBLIC FORUM: Open: 6:58PM Close: 6:59PM

Casey Kuth thanked City Council for approving two police resource officers for Lowell Elementary School.

PROCLAMATION: 2023 TREE CITY USA – Mayor Moore read proclamation making City of Lowell 2023 Tree City USA. Proclamation on file.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1 – RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS AND WAIVE COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) SPARTAN S180 FIRE TRUCK FOR THE LOWELL FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.

The Fire Chief has made inquiries with the vendors who can supply the firefighting apparatus required by the Lowell Fire Department and has determined that the quote from Delta Fire and Safety for the purchase of one (1) Spartan S180 provides the best price and the crucial supply to obtain the apparatus quickly.

Motion to approve Resolution as presented.

Motion: Eric Schein

Second: Kendell Stucki

Vote Aye: Schein, B. Adams, Sands, Whitehead, Stucki, DeGifford

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Resolution approved.

Resolution Assigned No. 23-07.

2 – RESOLUTION AMEND SECTION 3.10 TRAVEL POLICY OF THE PERSONNEL HANDBOOK AND PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.

In order to better clarify the personnel policies and procedures of the City with regard to authorized travel for business purposes, the City Council has determined it is in the best interest and benefit to the community to approve the amendment to Section 4.10 Travel Policy of the City of Lowell Personnel Policy Manual.

Motion to approve Resolution.

Motion: Bill Adams

Second: Kendell Stucki

Vote Aye: Schein, Sands, B. Adams, Whitehead, Stucki, DeGifford

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Resolution approved.

Resolution Assigned No. 23-08.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / DISCUSSION:

- 1 – April 1st Egg Hunt Preparation – 9:00am at Fire Station #1
- 2 – April 8 Easter Egg Hunt – Ward Nail Park 2:00pm
- 3 - April 22nd Clean up Lowell Litter Pick-up – Beginning 10:00am (71B and 264)
- 4 – April 22nd – Tree Giveaway – 8:00am – Street Department
- 5 – May 6th – Spring Cleanup – Street Department
- 6 – June 3rd- 4th – Mudtown Days

ADJOURNMENT: Entertain a motion to adjourn. **Motion:** Eric Schein. **Second:** Steve Whitehead.
There being no objections, the meeting adjourned at 7:11pm.

ATTEST:


City Clerk/Elizabeth Estes



APPROVED:


Mayor/Chris Moore