

**LOWELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 18 - 6:30PM**

CHAMBER NIGHT AT LOWELL CITY HALL began at 5:30pm. At 6:30pm Raymond Burns congratulated all elected and city officials for all they have done to make City of Lowell great. He also recognized the various sponsors.

STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS: Mayor Moore gave his State of The City Address and a copy of his speech is included in the City Council Minutes Book.

This was the first City Council Meeting to be livestreamed on Facebook. All future City Council and Planning Commission meetings will be livestreamed to the public.

INVOCATION: Rev. Brian Cark

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 6:56pm by **Mayor Chris Moore** at the Lowell Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Chris Moore asked the City Clerk for a verbal roll call. Council Members present were Linda Vannoy, David Adams, Chasity Taylor, Dean Bitner, Thomas Evers, Todd Fenix, Lisa DeGifford and Eric Schein. Deputy Attorney Kieklak was present, also. There was quorum. A roster of all others in attendance is on file with these minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA:
Lowell City Council Minutes Regular Meeting – January 21, 2020
Financial Statement – January 2020

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion: Dean Bitner

Second: David Adams

Vote Aye: Evers, Adams, Vannoy, Taylor, Fenix, DeGifford, Schein, Bitner

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Consent Agenda approved.

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

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPROVE A MATCHING GRANT FUND REQUEST OBTAINED THROUGH THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARK & TOURISM FOR ADVERTISING OF MUDTOWN DAYS IN THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.**

Funds from this grant will be used to advertise the annual Mudtown Days Festival.

Motion to approve Resolution as presented.

Motion: Linda Vanoy

Second: Eric Schein

Vote Aye: Fenix, Adams, Vannoy, Evers, Taylor, Bitner, Schein, DeGifford

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Resolution passed.

Resolution assigned No. 20-04.

2. RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO THE 2020 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.

A donation of \$1,000,000.00 has been promised to the City of Lowell to purchase new equipment for the City of Lowell Fire Department. Some councilmen objected to approving this resolution before the money has been deposited in our city coffers; however, at the proper time, the donor will be announced. Mayor and Fire Chief have promised that no contracts will be signed without having the money in our budget.

Motion to approve Resolution as presented.

Motion: Eric Schein

Second: Dean Bitner

Vote Aye: Adams, Vannoy, Taylor, Fenix, DeGifford, Schein, Bitner, Evers

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Resolution as presented was approved

Resolution was assigned 20-05.

3. APPOINTMENT – TONY KACZOROSKI TO PLANNING COMMISSION REPLACING CARLA BUTLER – TERMINATING 6/13/21.

Mayor Moore recommended Tony Kaczoroski, 606 Concord St., Lowell, be appointed as Planning Commissioner to replace Carla Butler (term will end 6/13/21).

Motion to approve Resolution as presented.

Motion: David Adams

Second: Todd Fenix

Vote Aye: Fenix, Adams, Vannoy, Taylor, Evers, Bitner, Schein, DeGifford

Vote Nay: None

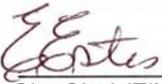
Motion to approve appointment passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Proclamation National Association of Women in Construction March 1-7, 2020.
- A & P Meeting Thursday, February 27th, at Lowell Chamber of Commerce. Councilman Bitner requested that 1) Christmas Lights Festival Walking Tour and 2) Ball/Bat Complex be built either in Ward Nail Park or Kathleen Johnson Memorial Park be put on their agenda.
- A & P Packets were given to councilmembers to review.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Eric Schein and second by Dean Bitner. There being no objections, the meeting adjourned at 7:12pm.

ATTEST:



City Clerk/Elizabeth Estes



APPROVED:



Mayor/Chris Moore