

**LOWELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 15, 2018 - 6:35PM**

CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Meeting of the Lowell City Council was called to order at 6:33PM by **Mayor Long** at the Lowell Council Chambers.

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by City Clerk Liz Estes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Eldon Long.

ROLL CALL: **Mayor Long** asked for roll call. City Clerk made a verbal roll call. Council Members present were **Thomas Evers, Shawn Cheney, Kendell Stucki, Linda Vannoy, David Adams, Lonnie Jones, and Dean Bitner**. **Todd Fenix was absent. 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 – April 17, 2018
Financial Statement – April 2018

Motion made to accept the Consent Agenda.

Motion: Dean Bitner

Second: Adams

Voice Vote Aye: Unanimous

Voice Vote Nay: None

Motion to accept Consent Agenda approved

PUBLIC FORUM: Open: 6:41PM Close: 6:45PM

David Boatright explained that his topsoil washed away when it rained and he felt it was due to chemical applications that were made. He submitted a soil sample to determine if the cause was chemical applications or some other reason and will work with the city to remedy the situation. He was invited to attend the next Ordinance Committee Meeting.

APPOINTMENTS: Kerri Roller nominated to fill vacancy created by resignation of Linda Clark on A & P Commission.

Motion to approve Keri Roller.

Motion: Dean Bitner

Second: Thomas Evers

Voice Vote Aye: Unanimous

Voice Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Kerri Roller approved.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

PROCEDURAL MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULE AND READ ALL ORDINANCES ONE TIME BY TITLE ONLY.

Motion made to suspend the rule and to read ordinances one time by title only.

Motion: Linda Vannoy

Second: Dean Bitner

Voice Vote Aye: Bitner, Stucki, Vannoy, Evers, Adams, Cheney, Jones

Voice Vote Nay: None

Motion to suspend the rule and to read ordinances one time by title only approved.

TABLED: Resolutions remained tabled. Ordinance tabled but will be sent back to Ordinance Committee for further consideration.

1. **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BLACK HILLS ENERGY UTILITY WORK AGREEMENT APROPRIATING FUNDING FOR ON-GOING PROJECTS FROM THE GENERAL FUND RESERVES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2018.**
2. **RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING AN UPDATED PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL FOR THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.**
3. **ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 642 ESTABLISHING PARKING RESTRICTIONS AND AMENDING CHAPTER 28 OF CODE.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS; AND MAKING SAME A PART OF THE CITY OF LOWELL, AND ASSIGNING SAME TO WARDS AND ZONED RESIDENTIAL (R-A).**

Ordinance was previously approved by city council except for this portion omitted on the previous paperwork submitted earlier.

Motion to approve Ordinance as presented.

Motion: Kendell Stucki

Second: David Adams

Vote Aye: Adams, Vannoy, Jones, Evers, Bitner, Cheney, Stucki

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Ordinance as presented approved.

City Clerk read Ordinance by title only.

Ordinance assigned No. 1014.

2. **ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2014 STATE OF ARKANSAS ENERGY CODE BY REFERENCE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES IN THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.**

State mandated and should have been passed in 2014.

Motion made to approve Ordinance as presented.

Motion: David Adams

Second: Kendell Stucki

Vote Aye: Bitner, Evers, Vannoy, Jones, Adams, Cheney, Stucki

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Ordinance was approved.

City Clerk read Ordinance by title only.

Ordinance assigned No. 1015.

3. **RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF LOWELL TO PARTNER WITH THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID MONIES FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE FOLLOWING PROJECT: HWY 264/BELLVIEW ST/SPRING CREEK RD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS.**

Project includes signalization of lights and Hwy 264 intersection improvements.

Motion made to approve Resolution as presented.

Motion: Dean Bitner

Second: Kendell Stucki

Vote Aye: Evers, Bitner, Vannoy, Adams, Jones, Adams, Cheney, Stucki

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Resolution was approved.

Resolution is assigned No. 18-13.

4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS PURSUANT TO STATE LAW.

City records are seven years old and taking up space we do not have.

Motion to approve Resolution as presented.

Motion: Kendell Stucki

Second: Shawn Cheney

Vote Aye: Adams, Vannoy, Jones, Evers, Bitner, Cheney, Stucki

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Resolution as presented approved.

Resolution assigned No. 18-14

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Personnel Committee – Notes filed with minutes.

Next Ordinance/Personnel Committee will meet May 24, 2018 at 6:00PM in Council Chambers to discuss changes in Employee Handbook, parking ordinance and chemical application ordinance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Mudtown Days – June 1-2, 2018.
2. New Fire Station will be in service May 31, 2018.
3. Ice Cream June 19, 2018 at Dairy Queen.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn; motion by Dean Bitner and second by Linda Vannoy. There being no objections, the meeting adjourned at 7:47PM.

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Elizabeth Estes



APPROVED

Mayor/Eldon Long

City of Lowell

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