

**LOWELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2023**

INVOCATION: Brian Clark

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 6:31PM

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Lowell City Council Minutes Regular Meeting – November 14, 2023
Financial Statement – November 2023

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion: Bill Adams

Second: Roy Brunson

Vote Aye: B. Adams, DeGifford, Schein, Stucki, Whitehead, Flores, Bryant, Brunson

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda approved.

PUBLIC FORUM: Open: 6:32PM Close: 6:33PM

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

Motion to approve Procedural Motion as presented.

Motion: Lisa DeGifford

Second: Steve Whitehead

Vote Aye: Flores, Schein, DeGifford, Whitehead, Stucki, Sands, Brunson

Vote Nay: B. Adams

Motion to approve Procedural Motion as presented approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1 – ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 28-4 SOLICITING FROM PUBLIC ROADWAYS PROHIBITED OF THE LOWELL MUNICIPAL CODE.

City Council proposed amending Section 28-4 Soliciting from Public Roadways Prohibited in order to provide updated regulations in accordance with state and federal law.

Motion to move Ordinance from table for discussion.

Motion: Bill Adams

Second: Kendell Stucki

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

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve moving Ordinance from Table for discussion approved.

Motion to approve Ordinance.

Motion: Bill Adams

Second: Steve Whitehead

Vote Aye: Flores, Stucki, Brunson, Adams, DeGifford, Sands, Whitehead

Vote Nay: Schein

Motion to approve Ordinance approved.

City Clerk read Ordinance one time by title only.

Ordinance Assigned No. 1133.

NEW BUSINESS:

1 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDED CONTRACT WITH CRAFTON TULL & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE ROUNDABOUT PROJECT AT HWY 64 AND BELLVIEW ROAD IN THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.

It has become apparent that an amendment to the contract for engineering services with Crafton Tull & Associates, Inc. is necessary to expand the scope of services required for completion of the project in compliance with the ARDOT plan format.

Motion to approve Resolution.

Motion: Bryant Sands

Second: Steve Whitehead

Vote Aye: Schein, Sands, Flores, Whitehead, Stucki, DeGifford, Brunson

Vote Nay: B. Adams

Motion to approve Resolution approved.

Resolution Assigned No. 23-45

2 – RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2023 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR ACTUAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES IN THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.

There is an immediate need to amend the 2023 General Fund Budget to reconcile the actual expenditures and receipts with the 2023 budget predictions.

Motion to approve Resolution.

Motion: Bill Adams

Second: Roy Brunson

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

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Resolution approved.

Resolution is assigned No. 23-46.

3 – RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LOWELL, ARKANSAS.

The City Council believes that it is in the best interest of and benefit of the community to approve the proposed 2024 budget for the City of Lowell, Arkansas.

Motion to approve Resolution.

Motion: Bill Adams

Second: Steve Whitehead

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

Vote Nay: None

Motion to approve Resolution approved.


Resolution assigned No. 23-47.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / DISCUSSION:

Statement of Financial Interest Reports for 2023 are due in the City Clerk's office by January 31, 2023.
Thank you to everyone who made the Christmas Tree Lighting successful.

ADJOURNMENT: Entertain a motion to adjourn. Motion: Eric Schein. Second: Bryant Sands. There being no objections, the meeting adjourned at 7:03PM.


ATTEST:



City Clerk/Elizabeth Estes



APPROVED:



Mayor/Chris Moore

City of Lowell

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

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