

# June 12, 2023 Regular Meeting

## Meeting minutes

### 1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Marla Thompson 5:30pm.

### 2. Roll Call

Roll call was conducted by Mayor Marla Thompson: Aldermen Allen Bumgarner, Mayor Pro Tempore/Alderman Randall Mays, Alderman Phyllis Pennington, and Alderman Gary Lingfield were present along with Mayor Marla Thompson.

### 3. Invocation

The invocation was led by Alderman Phyllis Pennington, asking for guidance in making decisions and requesting prayers for David's family. A moment of silence was held in honor of Alderman David Elder who had passed away. A moment of silence was observed in Alderman Elder's honor.

### 4. Approval of Minutes

#### 4.1. May 1, 2023 Special Meeting

The minutes for the special meeting held on May 1, 2023, were approved. The motion was made by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt and seconded by Alderman Phyllis Pennington.

#### 4.2. May 8, 2023 Regular Meeting

The minutes for the regular meeting held on May 8, 2023, were approved. The motion was made by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt and seconded by Alderman Phyllis Pennington.

#### 4.3. May 15, 2023 Special Meeting

The minutes for the special meeting held on May 15, 2023, were approved. The motion was made by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt and seconded by Alderman Phyllis Pennington.

#### 4.4. May 22, 2023 Special Meeting

The minutes for the special meeting held on May 22, 2023, were approved. The motion was made by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt and seconded by Alderman Phyllis Pennington.

### 5. Items for Discussion

#### 5.1. Public Hearing for 2023/2024 Budget

Interim Town Manager/Finance Director James Cozart gave an overview of the 2023/2024 fiscal year budget totaling \$10,913,921.00. A public hearing was held to discuss the budget. No public comment or concern was raised. The public hearing was then closed.

Motion to open public hearing by Alderman Allen Bumgarner Second by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt.

Motion to close public hearing by Alderman Phyllis Pennington Second by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt.

#### 5.2. Adoption of 2023/2024 Budget

The 2023/2024 budget was adopted. The motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore/Alderman Randall Mayst and seconded Alderman Gary Lingerfelt.

### 5.3. Finance Report

Finance Director James Cozart presented Budget Transfer #2. Mayor Pro Tempore/Alderman Randall Mays made a motion to approve Budget Transfer #2. Seconded by Alderman Allen Bumgarner.

Also presented was Budget Amendment #9. Alderman Gary Lingerfelt made a motion to approve Budget Amendment #9. Seconded by Alderman Phyllis Pennington.

### 5.4. Managers' Report

Interim Town Manager Cozart discussed the OneH2 Purchase Agreement. Also discussed was the State Employees Credit Union ATM. .

### 5.5. OneH2 Purchase Agreement

The team discussed the OneH2 Purchase Agreement. The details of the agreement were not mentioned in this transcription.

The motion to accept the OneH2 Purchase Agreement was made and seconded. All were in favor, none opposed.

### 5.6. State Employees Credit Union ATM

The team discussed the installation of a State Employees Credit Union ATM on a vacant property belonging to the town. The credit union will cover all costs associated with the project on condition that the town does not charge them rent for the property. The board reviewed two options for the layout of the site. Ultimately, they agreed on option one, which included a longer driveway.

Alderman Phyllis Pennington made a motion to proceed with the ATM. Seconded by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt

### 5.7 Public Comment

There was no Public Comment

### 5.8 Closed Session Regarding a Personnel Matter

The board went into a closed session to discuss a personnel matter. After the closed session, they announced the appointment of Interim

Town Manager James Cozart as the New Town Manager, effective July 1st, 2023.

The motion to appoint Interim Town Manager Cozart as the new town manager was made by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt and seconded by Alderman Allen Bumgarner. All were in favor, none opposed.

### 1.1. Closing Remarks

During the closing remarks, board members expressed their condolences for the passing of a fellow member, Mr. Elder. They remembered him as a humble man and asked everyone to keep his family in their prayers.

## 2. Adjournment

The motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tempore/Alderman Randall Mays and seconded by Alderman Allen Bumgarner. All were in favor, none opposed.

Staff in attendance: William Dobson, Lt. Cody McCarraher, Deputy Chief Tyler Keener, Chief James Brinkley, Chief TJ Bates, Major Justin Reid, Chris Eckard, Charles Mullis, Captain Dennis Hardin, Denise Collins.

Public in attendance: Ruth Owns, Millie Drum, Beverly Nichols, Genita Hill.