

City of Dyer

Council Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2021

The February 2021 meeting of the Dyer City Council was called to order by Mayor Paul Brown. The pledge of allegiance was said, and roll was called by Recorder Treasurer Lynn Hubbard.

Roll Call:

Alderman Donna Staton present

Alderman Katherine Fry present

Alderman Myrna Burns present

Alderman Jeff Baxter present

Alderman Rhonda Rowell present

The first order of business for the night was the appointment of an individual to the vacated Ward 1 Position 2 seat.

Tammy Gardner was nominated. Richard Swearingen was nominated.

A motion was made by Alderman Jeff Baxter to go into executive session to discuss and interview nominations and seconded by Alderman Rhonda Rowell. Mayor Brown asked all in favor say I, all council members stated I. Executive session entered into at 540 pm and meeting called to order at 601 pm.

A motion was made by Alderman Jeff Baxter to nominate Richard Swearingen to Ward 1 Position 2 Dyer City Council and seconded by Alderman Katherine Fry.

Roll Call:

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Katherine Fry yes

Alderman Myrna Burns yes

Alderman Jeff Baxter yes

Alderman Rhonda Rowell yes

Alderman Richard Swearingen was sworn in by Mayor Paul Brown

Approval of Minutes:

January 20, 2021. Budget meeting

January 26, 2021 special meeting

January 26, 2021 regular council meeting

January 27, 2021 special meeting

January 28, 2021 special meeting

A motion was made by Alderman Katherine Fry to approve all minutes listed for the dates above and it was seconded by Alderman Donna Staton.

Roll Call:

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Katherine Fry yes

Alderman Myrna Burns yes

Alderman Jeff Baxter yes
Alderman Rhonda Rowell yes
Alderman Richard Swearingen abstain

Approval of December 2020 and January 2021 Financials

General Fund December 2020, January 2021

Street Fund December 2020, January 2021

Water, Sewer and Sanitation December 2020, January 2021

A motion was made by Alderman Myrna Burns to approve all the financials listed by the mayor and was seconded by Alderman Katherine Fry.

Roll Call:

Alderman Donna Staton yes
Alderman Katherine Fry yes
Alderman Myrna Burns yes
Alderman Jeff Baxter yes
Alderman Rhonda Rowell yes
Alderman Richard Swearingen abstain

Amendment of 2020 Budget.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2021-02-23-1 to amend the Dyer City 2020 Budget by Alderman Katherine Fry and seconded by Alderman Myrna Burns.

Roll Call:

Alderman Donna Staton yes
Alderman Katherine Fry yes
Alderman Myrna Burns yes
Alderman Jeff Baxter yes
Alderman Rhonda Rowell abstain as she was not on the council in 2020.
Alderman Richard Swearingen abstain.

Mayor Report:

Mayor Paul Brown reported we hired Tammy Coombes for the position of city clerk, and she will start on March 8, 2021.

I am waiting on water and waste reports before I can go forward with the decision about the annexation. Reports will show usage.

We purchased the 2 police cars from Alma. Alderman Rowell asked if the old crown Vic is down? Chief Winford stated that Officer is changing lights out and moving over equipment to the newer car to save city money.

We are possibly going to purchase another lawn mower, but we haven't gone forward yet.

We have a line finder being donated to us from the gas company and we will not have to purchase one. We will be ordering the 25 meters and wand in the near future. We have had several water leaks the last few days. Everyone has been working very hard to keep everything running. We had a meeting with all the mayors a couple of weeks ago and there is a new 911 system coming. There will be 7-8 dispatch positions coming up with this change. This will happen in July. We will have to have a plan in July. Alderman Rhonda Rowell asked where we

were on the water situation with Lee Hackler and Sean Brister spoke up to say the meter has been sent off to be tested and he hadn't heard anything from it yet. The manhole covers are a work in progress, we are trying to get a price by foot. We will also be revising the new customer service manuals. Alderman Rhonda Rowell asked about the payment of the fire fighters, Mayor Paul Brown stated he has taken care of that. Alderman Rhonda Rowell asked about the 2019 budget issue and was told it is being looked at after we amended the 2020 budget. Mayor Brown asked the council if one of them wanted to be flood plain certified. Alderman Rhonda Rowell stated she would.

Police Report: Chief Josh Winford

Dash Cam and radios have been ordered. Cars have been bought. Alderman Rowell asked we could realize revenue from this, and City Attorney said that the money we get from District courts office is a revenue. Chief states he applied for JAG grant that would allow us to purchase some equipment. This is specified in the grant what can be bought.

Fire Report:

The fire fighters may be coming back soon to resume training. Alderman Rowell asked who the truck behind the fire department belonged to and was told the forestry department. Chief Winford has called them to come get it but they have not yet.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Brian Hood approached the council to report storage facility would be built on the corner of Horizon lane and if it would be permissible to make the entrance/physical address off Ridge Road. A motion was by Alderman Donna Staton to allow Lot 1 of Ridge View estates have a physical address off of Ridge Road and seconded by Alderman Katherine Fry.

Roll Call:

Alderman Donna Staton yes
Alderman Katherine Fry yes
Alderman Myrna Burns yes
Alderman Jeff Baxter yes
Alderman Rhonda Rowell yes
Alderman Richard Swearingen yes

Alderman Rhonda Rowell asked if it was appropriate to get road counters placed to document the amount of traffic traveled to help with prioritizing the roads to repair first. When the State contacts the city for drive around appointment the mayor will go with them and the roads to fix are determined at that time.

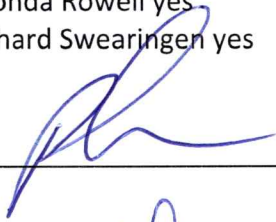
A motion was made to Adjourn by Alderman Katherine Fry and seconded by Alderman Myrna Burns

Roll Call:

Alderman Donna Staton yes
Alderman Katherine Fry yes

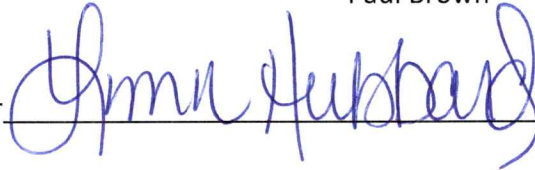
Alderman Myrna Burns yes
Alderman Jeff Baxter yes
Alderman Rhonda Rowell yes
Alderman Richard Swearingen yes

Mayor

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Paul Brown

Recorder/Treasurer

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