

City of Dyer  
Regular Council Meeting  
Minutes  
November 28, 2023

The regular city council meeting was called to order on November 28, 2023, at 6:30 pm. The pledge of allegiance was said.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam present

Alderman Blaine Kiser present

Alderman Joseph Saunders present

Alderman Donna Staton present

Alderman Cindy Looney present

Alderman Aaron Bray present

Public Forum:

Theresa Stamm addressed the council about her water bill. Alderman Cindy Looney made a motion to adjust the water bill and Alderman Blaine Kiser seconded it.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes

Alderman Joseph Saunders yes

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Cindy Looney yes

Alderman Aaron Bray yes

Minutes:

A motion was made by Alderman Joseph Saunders to approve October 24, 2023, November 7, 2023, and November 20, 2023, minutes. Alderman Blaine Kiser seconded it.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes

Alderman Joseph Saunders yes

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Cindy Looney yes

Alderman Aaron Bray yes

Financials:

Alderman Donna Staton made a motion to approve General, Street, Water and Sewer October 2023 financials and the motion was seconded by Alderman Cindy Looney.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

**Mayor Report:**

**Appointment of Mayor**

A motion to appoint Blaine Kiser as Mayor was made by Alderman Jannie Elam and seconded by Alderman Joseph Saunders.

**Roll Call:**

Alderman Jannie Elam yes  
Alderman Blaine Kiser abstain.  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton no  
Alderman Cindy Looney no  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

Motion did not carry.

Alderman Donna Staton made a motion to appoint Recorder treasurer Lynn Hubbard as mayor and was seconded by Alderman Cindy Looney.

**Roll Call:**

Alderman Jannie Elam no  
Alderman Blaine Kiser no  
Alderman Joseph Saunders no  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray no

Robert Childers announced he would like to be considered for mayor and passed out his resume.

Alderman Donna Staton made motion for Robert Childers to be appointed mayor and seconded by Alderman Cindy Looney.

**Roll Call:**

Alderman Jannie Elam no  
Alderman Blaine Kiser no  
Alderman Joseph Saunders no  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray no

6:57 pm Alderman Cindy Looney asked for a break to enter executive session to discuss appointment for mayor. The motion was seconded by Alderman Donna Staton.

**Roll Call:**

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

7:28 pm meeting resumed.

Alderman Joseph Saunders nominated Alderman Blaine Kiser for mayor, and it was seconded by Alderman Jannie Elam.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes  
Alderman Blaine Kiser abstain.  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton no  
Alderman Cindy Looney no  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

Alderman Donna Staton made a motion that a special election take place in March 2024 for position of mayor.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam no  
Alderman Blaine Kiser no  
Alderman Joseph Saunders no  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray no

7:37 pm Alderman Jannie Elam asked to enter executive session to appoint a mayor. Alderman Blaine Kiser seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes  
Alderman Blaine Kiser yes  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

Regular meeting returned to session at 8:15 pm.

The former mayor entered a contract with WWPd for Geomapping of hydrants, water, and sewer lines for over \$6000.00 which is above his spending limit. A copy of this passed to council and it was discussed, and we will be asking them to place on hold until we can review and look for BIDs from other companies.

BIDS for replacement of siding on community building were reviewed and Alderman Cindy Looney made a motion to accept BID from Vinyl Exteriors in the amount of \$4350.00 and the motion was seconded by Alderman Joseph Saunders.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes

Alderman Joseph Saunders yes

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Cindy Looney yes

Alderman Aaron Bray yes

City Attorney:

Ordinance 2023-11-28-01 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE USE AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL LANDS LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF DYER, ARKANSAS GIVING THE MAYOR AUTHORITY TO APPOINT A REPRESENTATIVE WHO SHALL HAVE FULL AUTHORITY TO AT ANY GIVEN TIME INSPECT THE PROPERTY FOR EXISTING CONDITIONS WHICH CREATE ONE OF THE MORE OF THE FOLLOWING DANGERS, HEALTH, FIRE OR FLOODING, REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

A motion was made to waive the reading rule and read by number and title only, by Alderman Jannie Elam and seconded by Alderman Donna Staton.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes

Alderman Joseph Saunders yes

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Cindy Looney yes

Alderman Aaron Bray yes

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-11-28-01 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE USE AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL LANDS LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF DYER, ARKANSAS GIVING THE MAYOR AUTHORITY TO APPOINT A REPRESENTATIVE WHO SHALL HAVE FULL AUTHORITY TO AT ANY GIVEN TIME INSPECT THE PROPERTY FOR EXISTING CONDITIONS WHICH CREATE ONE OF THE MORE OF THE FOLLOWING DANGERS, HEALTH, FIRE OR FLOODING; REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Was made by Alderman Joseph Saunders and seconded by Alderman Blaine Kiser.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes

Alderman Joseph Saunders yes

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Cindy Looney yes

Alderman Aaron Bray yes

A motion to adopt an emergency clause and declare the ordinance take effect immediately was made by Alderman Blaine Kiser and seconded by Alderman Joseph Saunders.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes

Alderman Joseph Saunders yes

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Cindy Looney yes

Alderman Aaron Bray yes

Public Works:

Black Hills Energy has blacklisted us and are not operating in Dyer due to the ordinance enacted at the beginning of the year making it too costly to operate in Dyer.

Police Department:

Fire Department:

6 medical calls

Engine 2 beyond repair. Will not pass pump test.

Chief going to take a grant writing class.

Chili and Car show made \$830, we have created a 501 C 3 in the name of the hose company, and they will be taking over fundraising for the Dyer Fire department. It was asked of the Chief to turn in receipts for costs incurred and the proceeds from the past years fund raisers.

New Business.

A motion was made by Alderman Donna Staton to pay the acting mayor/recorder treasurer a bonus of \$550.00 in addition to the \$250.00 as long as performing mayor duties. Alderman Cindy Looney seconded motion.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes

Alderman Joseph Saunders yes

Alderman Donna Staton yes

Alderman Cindy Looney yes

Alderman Aaron Bray yes

Old Business:

A motion to get 3 quotes from realtors and find out value of property and prepare for an auction in spring on 911 Rhodes St was made by Alderman Donna Staton and seconded by Alderman Joseph Saunders.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes

Alderman Blaine Kiser yes

Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

Zoning and Planning: None

Public Comment:

Evie Goff stood to address the council to clear up inaccurate statements made by others.  
Sherry Baxter gave report on Community building committee.

A motion to recess at 9:08 pm to reconvene on 11/29/2023 at 6:30 pm was made by Alderman Cindy Looney and seconded by Alderman Donna Staton.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes  
Alderman Blaine Kiser yes  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

11/29/2023 City of Dyer Regular council meeting resumed at 6:30 pm and there was a motion to open the meeting up for public comment by Alderman Donna Staton and Alderman Cindy Looney.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes  
Alderman Blaine Kiser yes  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

The following citizens of Dyer stood and requested an election be requested for the next mayor.

Debbie Leakey  
Kathy Fry  
Dockey Brasher  
Linda Brasher  
Patricia Maxwell  
Robert Childers  
Wayne Jones  
Paul Brown

Vinton Leakey  
Sherry Baxter  
Cheryl Childers  
Pat Bodine  
Staci Satterfield  
Christy Hesson

7:34 pm Alderman Donna Staton asked to enter an executive session to appoint a mayor.  
Alderman Cindy Looney seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes  
Alderman Blaine Kiser yes  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

8:02 pm the meeting resumed.

A motion to adopt resolution 2023-11-29-01 A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR OF DYER ARKANSAS. Was made by Alderman Donna Staton and seconded by Alderman Cindy Looney.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes  
Alderman Blaine Kiser yes  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

At 8:11 pm Alderman Donna Staton called to adjourn, and Alderman Joseph Saunders seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Alderman Jannie Elam yes  
Alderman Blaine Kiser yes  
Alderman Joseph Saunders yes  
Alderman Donna Staton yes  
Alderman Cindy Looney yes  
Alderman Aaron Bray yes

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Mayor  \_\_\_\_\_

Recorder Treasurer

Lynn Hubbard