

CITY OF TRAVELERS REST.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 15, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

Present: Brandy Amidon, Mayor, Rick Floyd, Mayor Pro Tempore; Councilmembers Kelly Byers, Shaniece Criss, Lisa Lane, Sherry Marrah, Wayne McCall, and Brantly Vest

Also Present: Eric Vinson, City Administrator; Amanda Connolly, City Clerk; Ben Ford, Police Chief; Mike Forman, Planning Director and Greg Robertson, Fire Chief

Absent: Councilmember Grant Bumgarner

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

- a. Mayor Amidon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- b. Council and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Invocation

- a. The Invocation was given by Councilmember Lane

3. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a. Councilmember McCall made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on May 18, 2023. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Floyd and carried unanimously.

4. Public Hearing

- a. The floor was open to receive comments, written or verbal, concerning the FY2023-2024 budgets. No comments were received.

5. Citizen Participation

- a. Lois Gates spoke to the Council regarding her concerns, and those of the residents at Poinsett Commons Apartments, pertaining to the limited number of parking spaces available.

6. Ordinances for Second Reading

- a. Councilmember Floyd made a motion to consider Ordinance **O-04-23** to adopt FY 2023-2024 General Fund Budget (to include the fee schedule and CIP plan). Seconded by Councilmember Vest. Council member Floyd noted a fire alarm fee was added to fee schedule. Mayor Amidon motioned to adopt O-04-23. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Councilmember Floyd made a motion to amend Ordinance **O-05-23** FY 2023-2024 Local Hospitality and Local Accommodations Budget, Councilmember Marrah seconded. Councilmember Floyd noted adding \$22,000 to budget to cover costs of developing skate park plan. Mayor Amidon asked for approval of the budget with amendment. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Amidon asked for a motion to adopt Local Hospitality and Local Accommodations Budget as amended. Councilmember Criss motioned, councilmember Byers seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Councilmember Floyd made a motion to consider Ordinance **O-06-23** to adopt FY 2023-2024 Victims Advocate Budget. Need a second motion. Seconded by Councilmember Lane. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Councilmember Floyd made a motion to consider Ordinance **O-07-23** to adopt FY 2023-2024 Tree Mitigation Budget. Need a second motion. Seconded by Councilmember Criss. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Councilmember Floyd made a motion to consider Ordinance **O-08-23** to adopt General Obligations GO Bond, Series A. Need a second motion. Seconded by Councilmember Vest. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Committee Reports

- a. Chair Criss provided a summary of the Public Works Committee report from June 5, 2023. Chair Criss mentioned that the scheduled day to pick up the old recycling carts is the same day as the new recycling carts are being delivered, noting this may be confusing for residents.
- b. Chair Byers provided a summary of the Public Safety Committee report from June 5, 2023.
- c. Chair Vest provided a summary of the Planning & Development Committee report from June 5, 2023.
- d. In the absence of Chair Bumgarner, Councilmember Floyd provided a summary

of the Ways & Means Committee report from June 5, 2023.

8. Ordinances & Resolutions for First Reading

- a. Councilmember Floyd made a motion to consider first reading of Resolution R-03-23, Master Lease Agreement in the amount of \$535,000. Administrator Vinson noted that this is an ordinance, not a resolution and will require a second reading. Mayor Amidon made a motion to consider first reading of R-03-23, Councilmember Marrah motioned, seconded by Councilmember Floyd. Administrator explained this is adopted every two years and is a 5 year term loan for purchase of city vehicles with the Bank of Travelers Rest. Mayor Amidon made a motion to move to council for second reading, Motion carried unanimously.

9. Old Business

- a. None

10. New Business

- a. None

11. Miscellaneous Matters

- a. Administrator Vinson noted that the Council participated in the Adventure Playground Ribbon Cutting prior to the meeting. He also thanked the Greenville Transit Boards members that joined the event.

12. Executive Session

- a. Councilmember Byers made a motion to move the Executive Session to the July 10th Committee Meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Floyd and carried unanimously.

13. Adjournment

- a. There being no other business to come before Council, Councilmember Vest made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Byers. The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

 _____ Brandy Amidon, Mayor

Completed by _____ Amanda Connolly, City Clerk

Eric Vinson

Eric Vinson, City Administrator
