

City Council Meeting Minutes January 2, 2024

Sammy Hartwick, Mayor	Present
Kelly Knowland	Present
Mark Hardin	Present
Ty Kelso	Present
Larry Johnson	Present
Richard Weaver	Present
Matt Reynolds	Present

Roll call indicated a quorum was present.

Mayor Hartwick suggested an amendment to the December 2023 minutes, adding that the trucks the City is purchasing are being financed through Arvest Bank. Matt Reynolds made a motion to accept the December minutes as amended, Kelly Knowland seconded and all voted in favor.

Chamber of Commerce Report

Chamber President Ashton Pruitt gave the report from the Chamber. There were three new members that joined the Chamber since the last meeting. There was a ribbon cutting at Birch Tree Communities in December, and the Christmas Parade was the biggest the City has hosted. There was a lot of excitement surrounding the parade, and Eastside Elementary was the grand prize winner. The Chamber is currently planning for the 2024 Chamber Awards Banquet, and organizing the 2024 City Directory. The events surrounding Glisten in Greenbrier were a huge success. There were more skaters than the year before, and it brought in revenue for the City.

2024 Budget

City Council Members were given the 2024 Budget in December to review. There were no outstanding questions for Mayor Hartwick. A motion to approve the 2024 Budget was made by Matt Reynolds, seconded by Mark Hardin, and passed unanimously.

Ordinance #2024-01 – Meetings for 2024

This ordinance is required at the beginning of each calendar year. It organizes the Council meetings and makes the monthly schedule. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Matt Reynolds, and passed unanimously. After a reading of the heading, Mark Hardin made a motion to approve Ordinance #2024-01. Kelly Knowland seconded and all voted in favor. A motion to approve the emergency clause was made by Mark Hardin, seconded by Matt Reynolds, and passed unanimously.

Ordinance #2024-02 - Special Use Permit – Second Baptist Church

Mr. Tim Tyler, representing Second Baptist, stated that Second Baptist have purchased 18 acres off of North Tyler Street. They are looking to build a church on the property. The property is currently zoned R-1, which requires a special use permit to operate a church. The special use permit passed unanimously through the Planning Commission in the December 2023 meeting. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mark Hardin, and passed unanimously. After the ordinance was read by the heading only, Larry Johnson made a motion to approve Ordinance #2024-02. The motion was seconded by Mark Hardin and all voted in favor. A motion to approve the emergency clause was made by Kelly Knowland, seconded by Mark Hardin and all voted in favor.

Street Dedication – East Park Subdivision

Mr. Tim Tyler represented the developers of East Park Subdivision, Hal Crafton. The East Park Subdivision is in development, and the developers are looking to have the street dedicated. There have been letters from the City infrastructure officials approving no bond for the water and sewer, but requiring a letter of credit of \$33,500 for street improvement. Mr. Tyler presented the letter of credit from First Security Bank. A motion was made by Mark Hardin to approve the letter of credit and approve the street dedication. Matt Reynolds seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Councilman Larry Johnson requested there to be lights added to some of the poles around the City on the new poles that Entergy has installed. Mayor Hartwick stated that he is making a call to Entergy to see about getting some installed.

Work is beginning on the new 24 inch sewer main sometime around February.

A motion was made by Kelly Knowland to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Matt Reynolds and all voted in favor.

Sammy Hartwick, Mayor

Hunter Thrasher, City Clerk/Treasurer