



CITY OF REPUBLIC  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, March 18, 2024

**Those Present:**

*Council:* Mayor: Gabe Becklin, Council Members: Liz Stinson, Marty Rugo, Mari Jo Olsen, and Jim Burnside

*Employees:* Clerk-Treasurer Nick Olsen, Deputy Clerk Robyn Turcotte, Public Works Director RJ Plaster, Sheriff Ray Maycumber

**Meeting Called to Order:**

Mayor Gabe Becklin called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Council Member Eric Hulse Absent.

**Motion:** Jim moved to excuse Eric Hulse; Liz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Approval:**

**Motion:** Marty moved to approve the agenda. Jim seconded; motion passed unanimously.

**Consent Agenda:**

- Review Minutes for March 4, 2024
- Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT amount -4330-\$2,216.40
- Review accounts payable check #'s & amount - 65092-65104- \$67,009.49
- Review County Transmittal- \$13,251.08

**Motion:** Mari Jo moved to approve the consent agenda. Liz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment:**

Greg Perkins- Greg has a small house located on N Keller street, he is looking to burn it or demolish it. Greg has been in contact with the fire department and offered it to them as a training exercise. The City Building Inspector did inspect the dwelling but he will need to coordinate with Fire Department if he

chooses to burn it. Greg did say he could potentially push this project to fall time.

Emily Burt, FORL - Emily thanked the Council for the planning MOU for the new library. In the next 2 weeks, they have 9.8 Million in grants to apply for. Emily presented the council with a proposed annual operation budget for the new facility.

**Correspondence:**

The Nugget – Historical Society Newsletter

**Old Business:**

Western Victorian Ordinance discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

Sport Court Rules- Council was presented with 5 different fonts for the signage. The signage will be 24 x 36. Council chose exhibit 1 with minimal changes to the header of the sign. Nick will get one ordered this week.

**Motion:** Jim moved to approve 2 signs with the corrected heading, Marty seconded; motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:** No New business.

**Ordinances / Resolutions:** No Ordinances/Resolutions

**Department Head Reports:**

*Ray Maycumber- Sheriff-* Ray updated Council on the new deputy, in approximately 30 days he will graduate academy and then will be on duty. Ray hired a new civil deputy assistant; the new Prosecutor is hitting the ground running. Ray updated Council on the 2 vandalism calls from the park. He is also stepping up patrol across the board and spending more time out in the field writing tickets.

*RJ Plaster- PW Director-* RJ reported that the Annual DMR reports have been submitted (Biosolids, Waste-load). Parts for 2 new water connections have been ordered. He has been working with the new business Fat Guys on a sewer connection. The Patterson Park bathroom has been opened for the season and the old graffiti has been painted over in the women's bathroom. RJ will measure the park to see how much more room will be needed to get proper parking on Kean street to fit more car spots. Discussion was held about making North Kean a one-way. Culverts have arrived and Public Works

will start working on getting them installed. North Adams will be the starting point for the culverts then cross roads.

*Nick Olsen- Clerk-Treasurer-* Nick presented the quote for the new roof on the Chambers Building. This type of roof will last 20-plus years. The cost is approximately \$8,235.00 to \$9,000.00 plus tax.

**Motion:** Jim moved to approve \$9,000.00 for the new Chamber Building roof. Marty seconded; motion passed unanimously.

*Robyn Turcotte- Deputy Clerk-* Robyn presented a Kiosk System for the Slagle Park RV Dump Station. This system has a locking mechanism for the dump site and is fully programmable to what the city would like. This system has an override feature so if customers want to pay cash, they can do so at City Hall but it is primarily a credit card system. This system costs half of what other similar systems cost. The total cost for the system's first year is \$5,162.99 then an annual fee of \$1920.00 plus the monthly card terminal fee of \$7.99. The construction/installation cost is approximately \$3,989.80.

**Motion:** Jim moved to approve the purchase of Kiosk system and construction at Slagle Park RV Dump Station, Liz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

### **Mayor/ Council Reports:**

*Gabe Becklin-* Gabe reported the Overdose Awareness Community did trash pickup over the past weekend. Gabe inquired about the movement of the Recycle bins.

*Liz Stinson-* Liz reported that the Playground Committee met and reviewed the playground equipment quote that had been revised from Gametime. The committee wants more swings and is still waiting on the new quote.

*Marty Rugo-* Marty would like the clerks to do a reminder to the community about speed in town concerning ATVs and dirt bikes.

*Mari Jo Olsen-* Mari Jo inquired about the WIFI at the library being shut off earlier and if we had heard anything from Jas, the city has not. Mari Jo has been working on street address signs and street signs missing or needing to be fixed. She will let City Hall or Public works if any work is needing to be done.

*Jim Burnside-* Jim just asked Public Works to cut back trees that are growing over the road. There are 2 spots that needs it that he noticed which are behind

Andersons on Kean Street and the apple trees up on Klondike just before the Hospital.

**Motion:** Liz moved to adjourn the meeting, Marty seconded, motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned: 6:03 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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GABE BECKLIN, MAYOR

  
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ROBYN TURCOTTE, DEPUTY CLERK

