

Council Proceeding's
Regular Meeting
October 2, 2024

The Regular Council Meeting for the City of Rockwood was called to order by Mayor Troy A. Cox in the Council Chambers located at 32409 Fort St. at 7:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Cox, Council Members Cramton, Grzywacz, Mercure, and Wasner

Absent: Council Members Bennett, Joaquin

City Officials

Present: Police Chief Krause, Fire Chief Mercure, Treasurer McCoy, Administrator Trush, and City Clerk Oney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Cox requested a motion to excuse Council members Bennet and Joaquin and Attorney Pelland.

M-226-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to excuse Council Members Bennett and Joaquin and Attorney Pelland from this evening's meeting

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M-227-24 Motion by Wasner/Grzywacz to approve this evening's agenda as presented

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

PUBLIC DISCUSSION (Items not on Agenda)

None

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None

ACTION AGENDA

M-228-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to approve this evening's action agenda items

A. Council Minutes – September 18, 2024

B. Accounts Payable

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENTS

Police Department:

Police Chief Krause discussed the DCC SINC Maintenance Agreement

M-229-24 Motion by Wasner/Cramton to approve the payment of \$7,390.13 for SINC expenditures from the equipment rental fund

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

Chief Krause stated that he visited the Oakland Police Academy to try and recruit some officers. He has one person that is very interested, and he is trying to coordinate schedules with him so he can come for a ride along. He also has an interview with another applicant tomorrow. So, we are moving forward with hiring.

Chief Krause wanted to give a quick update on the Fort St. and Woodruff Rd. intersection. Back in February of this year he contacted County Roads to see if they would do a traffic study. He was told that they were doing one at that time, he just recently found out last week through the engineer that this traffic study did not happen due to the weather. This was rescheduled to April, and it did not happen again. We requested again that they do one and they did. The traffic study showed that no action was needed at this time. They do believe that in the future a light will be needed there, at the estimated cost of 1 million dollars.

Fire Department:

Fire Chief Mercure had no formal report but did want to give the council some updates.

Chief Mercure stated that he did not hear anything back on the grant for the truck radios, so we did not receive the grant this time. He will try again.

Chief Mercure wanted to remind everyone that there is no leaf burning allowed in the city.

Chief Mercure also wanted to remind residents that October is fire prevention month. Now is a good time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.

Treasurer's Report:

None

DPW Report:

None

CONSIDERATION ITEMS

None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Trush discussed the State Trunkline Maintenance Contract and the MML Annual Membership Dues

Council Member Grzywacz asked how much we received last year from the State Trunkline Maintenance

Administrator Trush stated that it was about \$16,000.00 last year but this varies every year. Depending on the rain and how often we have to cut the grass and weed whip.

Council Member Grzywacz asked if this included snow removal

Administrator Trush stated that the snow removal would be if we actually plowed the freeway, or the ramps and we do not do that. This is for grass cutting only.

M-230-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to approve the State Trunkline Maintenance Contract as presented

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

M-231-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to the MML Annual Membership Dues in the amount of \$2,833.00

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

None

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Cox requested a motion to go into closed session to discuss contract negotiations with a roll call vote.

M-232-24 Motion by Wasner/Grzywacz to go into closed session with roll call vote at 7:10 pm

Ayes: Mayor Cox, Council Members Cramton, Grzywacz, Mercure, and Wasner

Nays; None

Motion Carried

Mayor Cox requested a motion to come out of closed session with roll call vote.

M-233-24 Motion by Wasner/Mercure to come out of closed session with roll call vote

Present: Mayor Cox, Council Members Cramton, Grzywacz, Mercure, and Wasner

Absent: None

Motion Carried

M-234-24 Motion by Wasner/Cramton to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement Modification and Extension, Item 11-A, as discussed in closed session

Ayes: Mayor Cox, Council Member Cramton, Grzywacz, and Wasner

Nays: None

Abstain: Council Member Mercure

Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Grzywacz wanted to remind the residents of early voting which will be held October 26th through October 29th from 8-4, October 30th and 31st from 10-6, and November 1st through November 3rd from 8-4. Early voting takes place at City Hall on the second floor.

Council Member Grzywacz wanted to remind residents of the 1st Annual Haunted Caboose that will be hosted by the Rockwood Historical Society on October 12th from 4-7. Costumes are not required. Admission is free but donations are greatly appreciated.

Council Member Grzywacz also wanted to announce the Annual Chapman PTA Trunk-or-Treat at Chapman Elementary School on October 17th from 5-6:30 pm

Council Member Grzywacz stated that the Beautification Committee will have their monthly meeting on October 3, 2024, at 6 pm

Mayor Cox stated that the HUD manager gave the approval to go out for bids. This will take about a month or two. We will not pour cement in the winter, so we are looking at next spring, 2025 for the road repairs to start. We also had a project on Olmstead Rd that was approved. We will wait until June when school is out to do those repairs.

Mayor Cox also wanted to thank the administrator for a successful audit this year. She came midway through and did a great job.

ADJOURNMENT

M-235-24

Motion by Wasner/Mercure to adjourn this evening's council meeting
at 7:35 PM

Ayes are unanimous.

Motion Carried

City Clerk, Colleen E. Oney

Mayor, Troy A. Cox