

RECORD OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF ARGO

Date: 9/25/2023
Time: 5:30 PM
Place: Municipal Complex
Regular Meeting

ROLL CALL

Councilperson Dennis Griffin
Councilperson Thomas Suggs
Councilperson Rick Hopkins
Councilperson Danny McCarley
Mayor Pro-Tem Ann Brown
Mayor Betty Bradley

Mayor Bradley called the meeting to order and asked the clerk for a roll call. The clerk called the roll, and the roll call is listed above.

The invocation was given by Councilperson Hopkins and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown motioned to approve the Regular meeting minutes and Work Session minutes from 9/11/2023. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-abstain, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Councilperson Griffin made a motion to approve Budget Work Session Minutes from 9/12/2023, 9/18/2023, and 9/19/2023. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-abstain, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Don Smith from the St. Clair County EDC Grant Resource Center addressed the council.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown made a motion to leave in place the Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday for 2024. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-yes, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Councilperson Hopkins made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-09-25: A Resolution Amending the Compensation and Setting Policy Related to Certain Benefits of Full-Time Employees of the City of Argo, Alabama and to make it part of the employee handbook. Mayor Pro-Tem Brown seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-yes, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-09-25A: Adopting of City Hall Four Day Work Week and setting the effective date of October 30, 2023. Councilperson Hopkins seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-yes, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-09-25B: A Resolution Setting a Public Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 2023-09-01, An Ordinance to Adopt Various Standard Codes Relating to Inspection Activities and Enforcement of Building Provisions as Provided in Said Codes for the City of Argo, St. Clair County, Alabama AND setting the date for the Public Hearing to October 23, 2023. Councilperson Griffin seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-yes, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown made a motion to approve the City of Argo 2023-2024 Budget. Councilperson McCarley seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-yes, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Councilperson Griffin made a motion to set the date for the Argo Christmas Parade for December 9, at 10:00AM with a rain delay date to be on December 16, at 10:00AM. Corkey Massey will oversee the parade. Councilperson Hopkins seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-yes, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown made a motion to suspend the rules to add item to the agenda: contracting Knightworks to lay pine straw around city hall. Councilperson Griffin seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-yes, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brown made a motion that the city contract with Knightworks Lawn Service to have pine straw laid around City Hall before the Fall Festival, in an amount not to exceed \$750. Councilperson Griffin seconded the motion. Mayor Bradley called for roll call of votes: Griffin-yes, Suggs-yes, Hopkins-yes, McCarley-yes, Brown-yes, and Mayor Bradley-yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR REPORT – The Argo Fall Festival will be October 21st from 2 to 4pm.

CITY ATTORNEY – no new business.

CITY COUNCIL – The October Mayor’s Breakfast will be at at Springville City Hall on October 5th at 7:30am.

Fliers for the Fall Festival have been distributed to businesses around the city. The council

discussed sending fliers to be distributed at the schools. Members of Argo Christian Fellowship have volunteered to run a costume contest during the Fall Festival and will provide judges and prizes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No public comments.

A motion was made to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:



Betty Bradley, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tommie Ebner, City Clerk