

**MINUTES OF THE
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR & COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO
MAY 9th, 2023**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and the City Council of Rupert, Idaho on the ninth day of May, 2023 in the Council Chambers located inside City Hall at 624 F Street, Rupert, Idaho at the hour of 7:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Michael D. Brown (Absent)
Councilmembers Present: Faux, Heward, Jones, Thompson
City Administrator Kelly Anthon
City Clerk Bayley Maughan
City Attorney Lance Stevenson

Visitors: Suzy Sorenson, Leslie Garner (Employees)
Paul Ross, Russ Taylor, John Remsburg, Brenda Sene
(Visitors)

Council President Heward welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Everyone stood for the Pledge.

Brenda Sene gave invocation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items: A. & B. Approval of the Bills, Payroll and Minutes

Councilwoman Faux made a motion to approve the bills, payroll and minutes of the April 25th, 2023 regular council meeting. Councilman Thompson seconded and the motion carried.

ORDINANCES - RESOLUTIONS

Item: A. Ordinance 23-501 Animal Control Update

ORDINANCE NO. 23-501

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, AMENDING RUPERT CODE TITLE 8 CHAPTER 3, PROVIDING FOR SEIZURE AND IMPOUNDING OF DOGS, PROVIDING INFRACTION FOR UNCONTROLLED DOGS, MISDEMEANOR FOR DANGEROUS AND AT-RISK DOGS, REQUIRING AND DEFINING SECURE ENCLOSURE OF DANGEROUS AND AT-RISK DOGS, PERMITTING COURT ORDER FOR DESTRUCTION OF DOGS.

Animal Control Attorney for the Joint Powers, Paul Ross, presented the ordinance and addressed the changes being proposed within. The ordinance allows for more specific ways to handle dogs at large.

City Attorney, Lance Stevenson, read Ordinance 23-501 aloud, by title only.

OLD BUSINESS

Item: A. Presentation from the Minidoka Historical Society Museum

John Remsburg formally invited everyone to the Open House on June 24th and gave a brief overview of what the museum had been working on.

NEW BUSINESS

Item: A. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding the Lunch in the Park Program

Russ Taylor from the school district came to ask that the school be allowed to use Neptune and Lincoln parks again for the Lunch in the Park program. There were no additional services needed.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to authorize and waive the fees for the Lunch in the Park program in Lincoln and Neptune Parks. Councilwoman Faux seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Item: B. Discussion & Possible Approval to Waive Park Fees for Operation Christmas Child

There was no one present to represent this item. This item will be brought back at a later time.

Item: C. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding Movie Nights on Fremont Plaza or the Rupert Square

This item was not yet ready for discussion. This item will be brought back at a later time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilwoman Jones made a motion to move to Executive Session, pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 to have discussions under subsections (1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(c), and (1)(f). Councilman Thompson seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Executive Session Began: 7:46 PM

Discussions under subsections (1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(c), and (1)(f).

Open Session Resumed: 8:16 PM.

With no further business before the Council, Council President Heward adjourned the meeting at 8:16 PM.