

**MINUTES OF THE
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR & COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO
MAY 23RD, 2023**

Minutes of the regular council meeting of the Mayor and the City Council of Rupert, Idaho on the twenty-third 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
Councilmembers Present: Faux, Jones, Thompson
Councilmembers Absent: Heward
City Administrator Kelly Anthon
City Clerk Bayley Maughan
City Attorney Lance Stevenson

Visitors: Suzy Sorenson, Leslie Garner, Phillip Garcia, Shay Garner, Paul Nelson (Employees)
Paul Ross, Amanda Larsen, Jonathan & Jenny Shurtliff, Gabe & Arlene Montoya, Jeff Faux, Vickie Vandever, Jacob Garcia, Julie Evensen, Breyanna Fairchild, Dusty Adams (Visitors)

Mayor Brown welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Councilman Thompson led everyone in the Pledge.

Dusty Adams gave invocation.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Councilwoman Jones made a motion to approve the bills, payroll and the minutes of the May 9th, 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 Board Attorney, Paul Ross, gave a brief explanation of the items that were updated in the presented ordinance.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to suspend the rules and have one reading, by title only, of Ordinance 23-501. Councilwoman Jones seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilman Heward was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

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

Councilwoman Jones made a motion to adopt Ordinance 23-501. Councilwoman Faux second and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilman Heward was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: B. Resolution 23-104 - 250th Commemoration of the United States of America

Vicki Vandever, from the Mini-Cassia Republican Committee spoke on the resolution being sent to each City in the area, asking for participation in celebrating the 250th Commemoration of the United States of America.

Stevenson read Resolution 23-104 aloud by title.

Councilwoman Faux made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-104. Councilwoman Jones seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilman Heward was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Item: A. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding the Swim Lesson Registration Process

Jenny Shurtliff presented some suggestions for improvements to the City's Swim Lesson registration process. There was general discussion about the different options that the City was already exploring for next year. There was no action taken.

Item: B. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding the Liquor Licenses Lease

There was no discussion and no action to be taken.

Item: C. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding the Miller Tort Claim

Everyone reviewed the claim that had been submitted by Johnny Miller for asphalt damages.

Councilwoman Jones made a motion to refer the Miller claim to the liability insurance provider. Councilman Thompson seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilman Heward was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gabe Montoya - Expressed frustration with his sewer service and asked the City to follow up on how to remedy the issues he has been having.

Montoya's line was videoed and the wastewater department would be following up on the issues.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Thompson 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). Councilwoman Faux seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilwoman Faux, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilman Heward was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Executive Session Began: 8:03 PM

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

Open Session Resumed: 8:38 PM.

With no further business before the Mayor and the Council, Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:39 PM.