

**MINUTES OF THE
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR & COUCIL
OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO
JUNE 13TH, 2023**

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

Visitors: Suzy Sorenson, Leslie Garner, Jeff McEwen, Roger Davis
(Employees)
Father Garcia, Bob Freeman Steve Trevino, Steven
Yearsley (Visitors)

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

Father Garcia gave invocation.

Council President Heward called for any addenda to the agenda and there was one addition.

Addition to New Business, Item: G. Discussion & Possible Approval of the Alcoholic Beverage Permit Application of the Boxing Event on Fremont Plaza

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve the bills, payroll, minutes of the May 23rd, 2023 meeting and the addenda to the agenda as presented.

Councilwoman Jones seconded and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Item: A. Presentation & Possible Action Regarding the Traffic Study for the 100 West Intersections

Steven Yearsley presented the data that was collected regarding the two intersection on 100 West Road. The study confirmed that the current traffic control situation was suitable for the time being. If there were to be any changes in the future it was proposed that the road be widened and turn lanes be put in.

There was no action to be taken.

Item: B. Discussion & Possible Approval of the Transportation Alternatives Program Agreement

The City had been working on a grant project with the Idaho Transportation Department. The City was already budgetarily prepared to accommodate the requirement of the grant. There were no concerns from legal counsel. Councilwoman Thompson made a motion to approve the Transportation Alternatives Agreement with ITD as presented. Councilwoman Jones seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilwoman Faux was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: C. Discussion & Possible Approval of the Children Pedestrian Safety Program Agreement

The City had also been working on a sidewalk grant through the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council. The City was already budgetarily prepared to accommodate the requirement of the grant. There were no concerns from legal counsel.

Councilwoman Jones made a motion to approve the Children Pedestrian Safety Program Agreement with LHTAC as presented. Councilman Thompson seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilwoman Faux was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: D. Discussion & Possible Approval of the 2023 Safe & Sane Fireworks Sales Permit Applications

The City had received two applications for the sale of safe and sane fireworks in City limits. There were no concerns for the Fire Chief and all requirements of the application process had been met.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve the 2023 Safe & Sane Firework Sale Permit Applications for Family Fun Fireworks and Phantom Fireworks as presented. Councilwoman Jones seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilwoman Faux was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: E. Discussion & Possible Approval of the Beer & Wine License Application for Sofie's Chatterbox

Sofie's Chatterbox had submitted an application for the sale of beer and wine to be consumed on premise. They were made aware that the license would expire in July and need renewed. All of the requirements of the application process had been met, except that the City was waiting on a copy of their County license.

Councilwoman Jones made a motion to approve the beer and wine license application for Sofie's Chatterbox, contingent upon receiving a copy of the county license. Councilman Thompson seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilwoman Faux was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: F. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding the Execution of a New Liquor Licenses Lease

This item was not yet ready for action.

Councilwoman Jones made a motion to table item 9. F. until the June 27th, 2023 regular council meeting. Councilman Thompson seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilwoman Faux was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

Item: G. Discussion & Possible Approval of the Alcoholic Beverage Permit Application for the Boxing Event on Fremont Plaza

The organizers of the boxing event on Fremont were requesting to have a permit for the consumption of alcohol at their event as they had in previous years.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve the Alcoholic Beverage Permit Application for the Boxing Event on Fremont Plaza. Councilwoman Jones seconded and the roll call was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Thompson, Councilman Heward, Councilwoman Jones

Nays: None

Councilwoman Faux was absent and not voting. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Trevino - Lives across the street from the hospital and voiced concerns and frustrations with the large semi that is frequently parked in front of his house, impairing the view of traffic.

The City has already been looking into a remedy for the situation and would follow up.

With no further business before the Council, Council President Heward adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM.