

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBER
OCTOBER 10, 2016
7:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Nat Robertson

Council Members Katherine K. Jensen (District 1); Kirk deViere (District 2); H. Mitchell Colvin, Jr. (District 3); Chalmers McDougald (District 4); Robert T. Hurst, Jr. (District 5); Larry O. Wright, Sr. (District 7); Theodore Mohn (District 8); James W. Arp (District 9)

Absent: William J. L. Crisp (District 6)

Others Present: Doug Hewett, Interim City Manager
Karen McDonald, City Attorney
Kristoff Bauer, Deputy City Manager
Jay Reinstein, Assistant City Manager
Tracey Broyles, Budget and Evaluation Director
Rob Stone, Engineering and Infrastructure Director
Cheryl Spivey, Chief Financial Officer
Ben Major, Fire Chief
Scott Bullard, Emergency Management Coordinator
Anthony Kelly, Interim Police Chief
Chris Davis, Assistant Police Chief
Jerry Dietzen, Environmental Services Director
David Nash, Senior Planner
David Trego, PWC CEO/General Manager
Mark Brown, PWC Customer Relations Director
Pamela Megill, City Clerk
Members of the Press

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robertson called the meeting to order.

2.0 INVOCATION

The invocation was offered by Council Member Wright.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Mayor Robertson.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

Mayor Robertson announced the City of Fayetteville issued a State of Emergency Declaration due to Hurricane Matthew on October 7, 2016, that is still in effect. Mayor Robertson stated only items related to the issues surrounding Hurricane Matthew will be discussed this evening.

5.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Colvin moved to approve the amended agenda as follows:

- (1) All items scheduled for the October 10, 2016, City Council meeting agenda to be moved to the special called meeting agenda scheduled for October 24, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.
- (2) Calling for a public hearing on October 24, 2016, for an Economic Development Grant item
- (3) The Amended Agenda to include the following two (2) items:

Item 6.01 Hurricane Matthew Updates from Scott Bullard, Emergency Management Coordinator/ Fire Department

Item 6.02 Budget Ordinance Amendment 2017-7 (Hurricane Matthew Response, General Fund and Environmental Services Fund), Tracey Broyles, Budget and Evaluation Director

SECOND: Council Member Arp

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (9-0)

6.0 OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

6.01 Hurricane Matthew Updates

Mr. Scott Bullard, Emergency Management Coordinator, provided updates pertaining to search and rescue, sheltering, power outages, Points of Distribution (PODS) for emergency bottled water, and the Recovery Plan.

Mr. Ben Major, Fire Chief, thanked the Mayor, City Council, and City Management for the tremendous support of the Fire Department and gave thanks for the exceptional partnerships the Fire Department has with other agencies that assisted with the rescue missions. The Fire Department received over 4,000 calls for service during the storm.

Mr. Anthony Kelly, Interim Police Chief, thanked the Mayor, City Council, and City Management for the collective support of Police Department employees and operations, and expressed his pride in the employees of this City; many of whom had suffered flood water damage in their own homes, but still came to work and provided service to the residents in need.

Mr. David Trego, PWC General Manager/CEO, thanked all first responders for their incredibly hard work this past weekend, and recognized all the Linemen that worked through the night and weekend attempting to restore power. Of the PWC 80,000 customers, 40,000 had their power off for various periods of time. The City is under a boil water advisory at the present time; please conserve water during this difficult time.

Mr. Rob Stone, Engineering and Infrastructure Director, stated the City currently has 25 to 30 traffic signals out. The Traffic Services building was flooded during the storm and as a result a lot of the signal equipment has been lost. There are numerous street closures still in effect in the City.

Mr. Jerry Dietzen, Environmental Services Director, stated solid waste collection will follow its routine schedule with additional service provided on Wednesdays for missed collections. Recycling collection is postponed due to the provider having operational difficulties due to water damage. The City intends to contract with a provider for collection of water damaged materials such as tree limbs, carpeting, appliances, furniture, etc.

Mr. Michael Gibson, Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Director, stated power has recently been restored on Hay Street. City Hall and the Police Station have been operating off generators. All recreation centers have power, but some have suffered water damage.

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Robertson thanked staff for the updates, and announced City Hall will be open for service October 11, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

6.02 Budget Ordinance Amendment 2017-7 (Hurricane Matthew Response, General Fund and Environmental Services Fund)

Ms. Tracey Broyles, Budget and Evaluation Director, presented this item and stated Budget Ordinance Amendment (BOA) 2017-7 will appropriate \$1,125,000.00 in the General Fund to fund \$1,000,000.00 of storm-related expenditures and a \$125,000.00 transfer to the Environmental Services Fund. BOA 2017-7 will also appropriate \$500,000.00 in the Environmental Services Fund for storm-related expenditures. The sources of funding for the General Fund appropriation include \$750,000.00 expected to be received in Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) aid for 75 percent of eligible expenditures and a \$375,000.00 appropriation from General Fund fund balance. The sources of funding for the Environmental Services Fund appropriation include \$375,000.00 in expected FEMA aid and a \$125,000.00 transfer from the General Fund.

MOTION: Mayor Robertson moved to adopt Budget Ordinance Amendment 2017-7 as presented to provide initial funding for Hurricane Matthew response and recovery.

SECOND: Council Member deViere

VOTE: UNANIMOUS (9-0)

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.