

**MINUTES OF THE
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR & COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO
July 23rd, 2024**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Mayor and the City Council of Rupert, Idaho on the twenty-third day of July, 2024 in the Council Chambers located inside City Hall at 624 F Street, Rupert, Idaho at the hour of 7:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Tammy Jones
Councilmembers Present: Thompson, Faux, Wardle, Heward
City Administrator Kelly Anthon
City Clerk Bayley Maughan
City Attorney Lance Stevenson

Visitors: Ginger Smith, Leslie Garner (Employees)
Brett Mitchell, Kate Rosales, Rick Molina (Visitors)

Mayor Jones welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Everyone stood for the Pledge.

Rick Molina gave invocation.

Mayor Jones called for any addenda to the agenda and there were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Councilman Heward made a motion to approve the bills, payroll and the minutes of the July 9th, 2024 regular council meeting. Councilman Wardle seconded and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING – CONTINUED - Zoning Map Amendment for NIC Holdings & Common Stock Holdings Properties

Mayor Jones resumed the continued public hearing from May 28th, 2024 at 7:02 PM.

There was brief discussion regarding the plans for the property development.
There were no public comments.

Mayor Jones closed the public hearing at 7:06 PM.

ORDINANCES – RESOLUTIONS

Item: A. Ordinance 24-502 – Zoning Map Amendment

ORDINANCE No. 24-502

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO, AMENDING ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS OF REAL PROPERTY PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 2 OF THIS ORDINANCE FROM RL (RESIDENTIAL LOW) to RM (RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM); SETTING FORTH A REASONED STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF SUCH ZONE

CHANGE; AMENDING THE ZONING MAPS OF THE CITY OF RUPERT TO INVLUE THE REXONED PROPERTIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilwoman Faux made a motion to suspend the rules and have one reading, by title only, of Ordinance 24-502. Councilman Thompson seconded and the roll call was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The motion carried.

City Attorney, Lance Stevenson, read Ordinance 24-502 aloud, by title only.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 24-502. Councilwoman Faux seconded and the roll call was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Item: B. Discussion & Possible Approval to Waive Fees & Provide Services for the Minico Homecoming Dance at Fremont Plaza

Kate Rosales came to ask that Minico High School be allowed to use Fremont Plaza for their homecoming dance again on September 14th, 2024. Rosales was asked to work the final details out with the City departments prior to the event.

Councilwoman Faux made a motion to waive the fees and allow Minico High School to use Fremont Plaza for their homecoming dance on September 14th, 2024, except for any for profit vendors that might participate who would be required to pay for electrical services. Councilman Wardle seconded and the roll call was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Item: C. Discussion & Possible Approval of the 2024 Beer, Wine & Liquor License Applications

City Clerk, Bayley Maughan, presented the applications for beer, wine and liquor sale permits. There were no concerns.

Councilman Heward made a motion to approve the beer, wine and liquor license applications as presented, contingent upon the incomplete applications being completed. Councilman Thompson seconded and the roll call was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Item: D. Discussion & Possible Approval of the Contract and Contract Amendments with Access Idaho

Finance Officer, Leslie Garner, presented a contract and contract amendment associated with the recreation program sign-ups. The city had recently signed up for more features in order to handle swimming lesson sign-ups. There were no concerns.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve the contract and contract amendment with Access Idaho for the Recreation programming. Councilwoman Faux seconded and the roll call was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Item: E. Discussion & Possible Action Regarding the Snake River Seed Property

There was general discussion regarding the last correspondence received by the estate. There was no action taken.

Councilwoman Faux made a motion to table Discussion & Possible Action Regarding the Snake River Seed Property indefinitely. Councilman Wardle seconded and the roll call was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Executive Session Began: 7:48 PM

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

Open Session Resumed: 8:47 PM

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

There was general discussion regarding the Employee Recognition Program.

With no further business before the Mayor and Council, Mayor Jones adjourned the meeting at 8:52 PM.