

**City of Dyer, AR**

**Minutes**

**January 28, 2025**

The meeting was called to order by Acting Mayor Karen Robson at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Alderman Scantlin Present

Alderman Bixby Present

Alderman Childers Present

Alderman Gunn Present

Alderman Bray Present

Alderman Saunders Present

The 2024 Water Study was presented by Dennis Sternburg, CEO of Arkansas Rural Water Association. Mr. Sternburg emphasized that at least four of the board members must take the retail water providers training as soon as possible. He went over each section of the study with the Board including the recommended rate increases that should be implemented.

A motion was made by Alderman Bixby to approval the minutes of the December 17, 2024, meeting with a second by Alderman Childers.

Alderman Scantlin Yes

Alderman Bixby Yes

Alderman Childers Yes

Alderman Gunn Yes

Alderman Bray Yes

Alderman Saunders Yes

A motion was made by Alderman Saunders with a second by Alderman Childers to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2025, special meeting.

Alderman Scantlin Yes

Alderman Bixby Yes

Alderman Childers Yes

Alderman Gunn Yes

Alderman Bray Yes

Alderman Saunders Yes

A motion was made by Alderman Bixby with a second by Alderman Childers to allow the public comments to be next in order to allow the guests to speak.

Alderman Scantlin Yes

Alderman Bixby Yes

Alderman Childers Yes

Alderman Gunn Yes

Alderman Bray Yes

Alderman Saunders Yes

A representative from Municipal Management, Sam Gage, made a presentation on what the tank rehabilitation would consist of and answered questions from the board on timeline of the work, etc. Another presentation was made by BJ Richardson, a representative from Viking Tank.

Financial Statements: A motion was made by Alderman Saunders with a second by Alderman Gunn to approval all financial statements for the month of December, 2024.

Alderman Scantlin Yes

Alderman Bixby Yes

Alderman Childers Yes

Alderman Gunn Yes

Alderman Bray Yes

Alderman Saunders Yes

Mayor's Report: The Board was informed by the acting mayor that some major repairs were being done on the Blackland sewer pump station. The repairs were approved by a previous board, but the current board needs to be aware of upcoming costs of the repair.

Water Rate Ordinance: Ordinance #2025-01-28-01 A motion was made by Alderman Saunders to suspend the reading rules and read the ordinance one time by the title and number only. A second was made by Alderman Gunn. This ordinance will set the new water rates until January, 2026.

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| Alderman Bixby | Yes |
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| Alderman Childers | Yes |
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| Alderman Saunders | Yes |
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A motion was made by Alderman Gunn to declare an emergency clause with a second by Alderman Childers for ordinance number 2025-01-28-01. This ordinance will go into effect for the February, 2025 billing.

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| Alderman Saunders | Yes |
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The review of past due water bills and policies concerning shut offs was tabled to be reviewed at the February meeting when more information will be available to the Board.

Pubic Works Report: The public works director presented his report for the month and stated that he is receiving bids for the work to be done for the grant received. The proposed project includes an addition to the Public Works shop, generators for pump stations and a mobile generator. A copy of his report with the bids will be attached to these minutes. A motion was made to accept the three recommended bids by Alderman Saunders with a second by Alderman Childers.

Alderman Scantlin Yes

Alderman Bixby Yes

Alderman Childers Yes

Alderman Gunn Yes

Alderman Bray Yes

Alderman Saunders Yes

Police Report: Chief Josh Winford presented his report which was a compilation of all 2024 business by his department.

Fire Department Report: Chief Saunders gave his report which included information on the new fire truck. A copy of his report will be attached to these minutes.

Planning and Zoning: City Attorney Sean Brister made comments on the rezoning to M-2 of a section of the city from R-2 to M-2, Ordinance No. 2025-01-28-02. A motion was made to suspend the reading rule and read by title and number only by Alderman Childers with a second by Alderman Saunders.

Alderman Scantlin Yes

Alderman Bixby Yes

Alderman Childers Yes

Alderman Gunn Yes

Alderman Bray Yes

Alderman Saunders Yes

Ordinance No. 2025-01-28-03: An ordinance to create the zoning classification of M-2. A motion was made by Alderman Bixby with a second by Alderman Childers to suspend the reading rules and read the ordinance one time by the title and number only.

Alderman Scantlin Yes

Alderman Bixby Yes

Alderman Childers Yes

Alderman Gunn Yes

Alderman Bray Yes

Alderman Saunders      Yes

Public Comments: Resident Dockey Brashers made comments concerning the city's website having incorrect information and no current information. He requested that the website be brought up to date and incorrect information corrected. An email list was started to send residents up to date information or information for the meeting.

Joel Dyer requested information on the repairs to the Public Works trucks. The city attorney stated that there was no question and answer period during the board meetings.

Ron Worthington spoke about his need for information concerning putting a tiny house on his property. He was able to speak with the city attorney to get information.

A motion was made by Alderman Saunders with a second by Alderman Gunn to adjourn the meeting.

Alderman Scantlin      Yes

Alderman Bixby      Yes

Alderman Childers      Yes

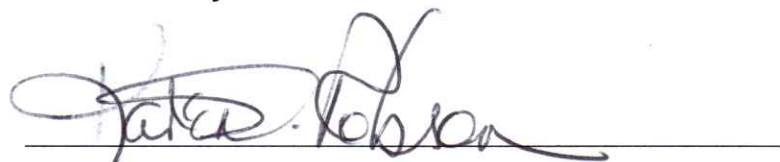
Alderman Gunn      Yes

Alderman Bray      Yes

Alderman Saunders      Yes



Mayor



Recorder Treasurer