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**JANUARY 2, 2024  
MINUTES**

The Meeting of the Bristow City Council Meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 7:00 P.M. A roll call was had with the following members present. Mayor Kris Wyatt, Councilman: Joe Church, Jeryn Fletcher, Frank Groom, Judd Johns, Brian Peters, and Randy Witty. Council members absent: Tanya Langley and Jeff Roberts.

Reverend Andrew Spooner opened with Prayer and then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Peters with a second by Witty approving the Minutes of the December 18, 2023, meeting. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Abstain; Fletcher, Aye; Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

The presentation was made by Cheryl Taylor. She is with the Economic Development and the Direction of Council in Oklahoma City. She has been working close with Mayor Kris Wyatt and Councilman Brian Peters, the School system and OSU on an Aviation Airport Project. Mayor Wyatt said it would be a two-year span to happen. Cheryl said if council has any Question that both Mayor and Councilman Peters have her phone number.

Motion was made by Peters with a second by Witty approving the Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Maintenance Claims in the amount of \$113,896.22.
- b. Approval of Un-paid Claims in the amount of \$3,050.39.
- c. Approval of Paid Claims in the amount of \$38.00.
- d. Approval of Actual Payroll Claims in the amount of \$97,683.65, for pay period ending December 22, 2023
- e. Approval of Estimated Payroll Claims in the amount of \$106,747.74, for pay period ending January 5, 2024.
- f. Approval of Claim #21019 to Thompson Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$293,892.75 for Invoice #9 (paid from Swimming Pool Bond 2021A).
- g. Approval of Claim #21020 to Thompson Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$176,357.50 for Invoice #10 (paid from Swimming Pool Bond 2021A).
- h. Approval of Claim #21021 to Professional Engineering Consultants, PA (PEC) in the amount of \$13,255.75, for Professional Services on

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the Swimming Pool. (paid from Swimming Pool 2021A).

A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Fletcher, Aye; Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

There were several discussions on agenda item #8, the January 9<sup>th</sup> Sales Tax Reuse Election. City Attorney BethAnne Childs stated that next week we will be having a very important vote. The Hospital, the City and Carrus Health have made significant progress and as you all are aware, the State required the City to invest into the hospital and bring it up to code. The City received has received the \$5 million dollars ARPA Grant to improve the hospital. She asked that we please encourage everyone to vote.

Mayor Kris Wyatt said it is not a new tax but it's to repurpose the tax. Bok has control of the monies not the city.

There were several discussions on agenda #9. Mayor Wyatt explained that the City Attorney Beth Anne Childs has sent things to the council about what changes she would like to see to the ordinance of traffic devices.

Councilmember Church asked the Police Department what they thought about it.

Asst. Chief Webster said we would all work together. Come out and look at the problem.

Councilmember Johns said it looks like a good deal and all council need to read what Beth Anne has sent them. He has told his ward to bring up a petition.

Motion was made by Johns with a second by Peters to table agenda item #9 until the meeting on January 16, 2024. It reads as follows, Consideration, discussion, and possible action on traffic control devices. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Fletcher, Aye; Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Peters with a second by Church to table agenda item # 10 until the meeting on January 16, 2024. It reads as follows: Consideration, discussion, and possible action regarding activation of an Urban Renewal Authority. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Fletcher, Aye; Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

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There were several discussions between the Council and Public works Director Troy Davidson. Troy said the ally between 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> the concrete storm drain has come apart and he needs about 140' ft of new drainpipe to fix it and it is about \$8.00 a foot. We want to use that instead of concrete. He said there is also an issue at 5<sup>th</sup> & the Presbyterian Church that he also needs to repair. It needs about 36' of pipe for that one.

Motion was made by Peters with a second by Johns approving to authorize Public Works Director Troy Davidson to proceed with the repair to fix the storm drain repair on west 7<sup>th</sup>. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Fletcher, Aye; Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Church with a second by Peters to table agenda item #12 until the January 16, 2024, Meeting. Item read as follows: Consideration, discussion, and possible action regarding a Second Amendment to Hospital Development Agreement, by and between the City of Bristow, Oklahoma, the Bristow Hospital Authority, and Carrus Lakeside Hospital, L.L.C. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Fletcher, Aye; Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Church with a second by Peters approving to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of confidential communications between the Bristow City Council, The City Attorney, and other Staff members as requested by the Council for the purpose of discussing and conferring on the following matters:

- a. The employment of Vernon Nathan Barnett for the Public Works Employee (25 O.S. SECT 307 (B) (1)).

A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Fletcher, Aye; Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

The Bristow City Council Meeting reconvened with the following members present. Mayor Kris Wyatt, Councilmember Joe Church, Jeryn Fletcher, Frank Groom, Judd Johns, Brian Peters and Randy Witty.

Motion was made by Johns with a second by Peters approving the employment of Vernon Blake Barnett as Public Works Employee at a rate of \$12.50 per hour as authorized by 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(1), with a six (6) month probation. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Fletcher, Aye; Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

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**Report from the Mayor.** Mayor Kris Wyatt stated we have a new Website. She wanted the Council to know, since we have enforced the nuisance abatement there have been zero (0) phone calls to the Police Department on the address that was in questions. The homeowner is in jail, the house is not unoccupied, but there have been zero (0) phone calls.

**Report from Department directors.** Chief Conkling reported that the night of Christmas, that Tanker 3 Truck was hit on the Turnpike, while they were on a call. He has been working with the Insurance Company and they are supposed to have someone come get it. He also wanted to let everyone know that retired Fire Chief Bob Grant had passed, and his funeral is Saturday, January 6, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

**City Attorney's Report.** Beth Anne stated she has already talked a lot.

**Comments from Mayor and Council.** None

**New Business.** None

Motion was made by Church with a second by Witty to Adjourn. A roll call was had with the following members present voting as follows: Church, Aye; Jeryn Fletcher, Aye; Frank Groom, Aye; Johns, Aye; Peters, Aye; and Witty, Aye. Motion passed.

  
SABRINA MOUNCE, CITY CLERK

  
KRIS WYATT, MAYOR