

**Regular Meeting of the City Council
City of Rockport
1472 Military Road, Rockport, Arkansas
Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2023**

Call to Order

Council member Darrell Hughes called the meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Council member Brenda Womble led the Pledge of Allegiance

Opening Prayer

Secretary/Recorder Shira Kelley led the opening prayer

Roll call

Council members present: Darrell Hughes, Brenda Womble, Melinda Baker (by phone), Mayor Kevin Baker (by phone)

Other city personnel present: Police Chief Toby Morales, Shira Kelley

Approval of minutes

- Womble motion to approve minutes from 3.21.2023 meeting
- Hughes second
- Womble: Y; Hughes: Y; M. Baker: Y

Departmental Reports

Planning Commission: not meeting yet.

Street Department: no report; M. Baker said they have patched holes and done some gravel work.

Financial Report: Joyce provided detailed P&L statements; will have more details for December meeting. She has set up online banking and is printing checks in-office. Brenda has set up accounts to check balances online.

Police Department: Morales presented information about the past month's calls. Officers have raised \$11,000 to purchase a new vehicle to replace the explorer, which is still having major issues even after installation of a new motor. Womble also has leads for a couple of large donations. Morales has found a fully equipped vehicle in Kansas for about \$32,000

- Womble motion to authorize selling the Explorer and purchasing the replacement vehicle
- Hughes second
- Womble: Y; Hughes: Y; Baker: Y

- Womble motion to approve departmental reports
- Baker second
- Womble: Y; Baker: Y; Hughes: Y

Old Business

Waiting to hear report from attorneys after discussion with Bank OZK

New Business

Hughes introduces Resolution 2023-3 to adopt the 2024 budget.

M. Baker will call Arkansas Municipal League to schedule a meeting requesting the League to legally represent the city. Discussion about paperwork city needs to gather before scheduling meeting.

Adjournment

- M. Baker motion to adjourn
- Womble second
- Baker: Y; Womble: Y; Hughes: Y

Attest: _____
Shira Kelley, Secretary

Approved: _____
Kevin Baker, Mayor