



### Routine Business

1. Roll Call

**PRESENT**

Commissioner Kanyon Gingher  
Commissioner Charles Jennings  
Commissioner Scott Rogers  
Commissioner Jay Warren  
Mayor Diana Spielman

**ABSENT**

None

Also present from staff: City Attorney Larry Schwartz, City Manager Randy Frazer, City Clerk Tiffany Parsons, and Communications Director Shana Adkisson.

1. Opening Prayer led by Commissioner Jennings and Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Spielman.

2. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda as read by City Manager Frazer:

- Add new item #2 under the Consent Agenda, **“Ratify Mayor Diana Spielman’s appointment of Larry Limbaugh to the Visit Ark City Board of Trustees”**.

*Motion made by Commissioner Rogers, Seconded by Commissioner Warren to approve the addition as written.*

*Voting Yea: Commissioner Gingher, Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Warren, Mayor Spielman. Mayor Spielman declared the motion approved.*

3. Approval of the Agenda

*Motion made by Commissioner Rogers, Seconded by Commissioner Gingher to approve the agenda as written.*

*Voting Yea: Commissioner Gingher, Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Warren, Mayor Spielman. Mayor Spielman declared the motion approved.*

### Awards and Proclamations

1. Proclaim July 26, 2023, as National Disability Independence Day in Arkansas City, as read by Mayor Spielman.

### Consent Agenda

Note: All matters listed below on the Consent Agenda are considered under one motion and enacted by one motion. There should be no separate discussion. If such discussion is desired, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and then considered separately under Section VI: New Business.

1. Approve the July 5, 2023, regular meeting minutes as written.

2. **Ratify Mayor Diana Spielman's appointment of Larry Limbaugh to the Visit Ark City Board of Trustees.**

*Motion made by Commissioner Gingher, Seconded by Commissioner Rogers to approve the agenda as written.*

*Voting Yea: Commissioner Gingher, Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Warren, Mayor Spielman. Mayor Spielman declared the motion approved.*

### **New Business**

#### **City Manager Department**

1. Select three (3) voting delegates and three (3) alternates to the 2023 League of Kansas Municipalities (LKM) Annual Business Meeting to be held on Monday, October 9, 2023. **(Voice Vote)**

City Clerk Parsons presented to select three (3) voting delegates and three (3) alternates to the 2023 League of Kansas Municipalities (LKM) Annual Business Meeting to be held on Monday, October 9, 2023. City Manager Frazer discussed that this is an annual selection of voting delegates that we must register prior to the LKM conference. Frazer will offer the opportunity to staff to attend and become possible alternates.

*Motion made by Commissioner Warren, seconded by Commissioner Gingher to select Commissioner Gingher, Commissioner, and Commissioner Jennings as the three 2023 LKM voting delegates. Commissioner Jennings added the clarification and need to table the voting for the three alternates to the next meeting. Commissioners agreed unanimously to table the item.*

*Voting Yea: Commissioner Gingher, Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Warren, Mayor Spielman. Mayor Spielman declared the motion approved and voting tabled to the next meeting.*

### **Items for Discussion by City Commissioners**

Commissioner Jennings spoke in clarification of any miss perception in the public discussions that have happened recently, extending a public apology.

Commissioner Jennings inquired if the SCK Health refund check in the mail to reimburse the city for the hospital loan distributed. Commissioner Warren explained that SCK Health is pending the completion of an audit set for the August 1<sup>st</sup> timeframe in addition to IRS regulations they must follow.

### **Comments from the Audience for Items not on the Agenda**

*The public will be allowed to speak on issues or items that are not scheduled for discussion on the agenda. Individuals should address all comments and questions to the Commission. Comments should be limited to issues and items relevant to the business of the Governing Body. The Commission will not discuss or debate these items, nor will the Commission make decisions on items presented during this time. Each person will be limited to three (3) minutes.*

None.

### **City Manager Reminders and Updates**

1. City Manager Frazer provided the commissioner with the following:
  - Zoning map provided to commissioners to give an idea of the boundaries associated with previous farm animal ordinance discussions
  - Madison Street mill and overlay to commence August 14<sup>th</sup>

- City is in the que for an SRG loan for an additional greensand filter. Estimated loan is \$2,089,000.00. Principal loan forgiveness of \$626,700.00. Sixty percent market interest was 2.14 % in July.
- Chestnut Booster Station Circuit board has arrived and is pending a technician to install and program. Rod will work with the Communication Director to inform public of when this is happening. The Technician will provide a bid to update the station to PLC.
- The city has joined the KCC intervention of Everygy rate case study with Streetlights alliance. Currently we are charged at a demand rate. Hoping to reduce to a non-demand rate which will reduce the cost in half.
- Crosswalk in front of Jefferson has been moved over to the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> St. and the old cross walk has been removed. Signs in the area will be upgraded. Waiting for more detail on the Kansas Ave. cross walk study.
- Water rate analysis has come in, which started a huge data dump. More information to come.
- Water Plant membrane osmosis typically has a 3 to 5-year lifespan, autopsy showed ours is at 5 years. It's time to start to maintain water quality and putting bid together now for replacement.
- UV install at the Wastewater Treatment Plant has arrived but is still in bypass. We are waiting for a technician to come and do startup on July 25<sup>th</sup>.
- A budget proposal for the proposed Pickle Ball Courts was received yesterday.
- Movie equipment that we own is hardly used and the Chamber and Visit Ark City are interested in obtaining it. The Commissioners approved by consensus and agreed to donate the movie equipment over to the Chamber, as long as there is no charge for the public to use it.
- Conversation of the Half Cent Sales Tax future town hall occurred on when to hold in the future. Considered that special election rules have changed in the last year for the County Clerk.

### Adjournment

*Motion made by Commissioner Warren, Seconded by Commissioner Rogers to adjourn the meeting.*

*Voting Yea: Commissioner Gingher, Commissioner Jennings, Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Warren, Mayor Gingher. Mayor Spielman declared the meeting adjourned.*

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**THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY  
BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS**

**ATTEST:**

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Diana L. Spielman, Mayor

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Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk

**Prepared by:**

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Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk