

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

OF THE OZARK CITY COUNCIL

OCTOBER 13, 2025

OZARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING ROOM

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Roxie Hall. Upon a roll call, a quorum declared. Present were Council members Angela Harris, Summer Miner, Loren Maier, Argest Hyler, Charlie Meeker, and Randy Melton. Also present were Mayor Hall, City Clerk Susan Stevens and City Treasurer/Deputy City Clerk Marla Ward. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Junior Miss North Franklin County Tayvee White and the Invocation was given by Kennedy Tedford, Miss North Franklin County Queen

The need for a correction on the September minutes was requested by Randy Melton. On page 2 regarding the rezoning vote, it was stated that Randy Melton voted no and Charlie Meeker voted yes. This should be corrected to read that Randy Melton voted yes and Charlie Meeker voted no. A motion was made by Randy Melton to approve the minutes with this correction and seconded by Argest Hyler. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and the minutes were approved. A motion was then made to approve the financial reports by Randy Melton and seconded by Summer Miner. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and the financial reports were approved.

A shout-out to our Code Enforcement officer for working with our citizens to improve our city. Out of 65 Clean-Up (Ordinance 2020-8) warnings that were given, only 1 ticket had to be issued. Randy Melton complimented the new flooring in the Community Center. It was also noted that there will be daily specials during the school Fall Break Friday, Oct. 17th -Monday, Oct. 20th.

Parks & Recreation reports that the softball field restrooms have been demo'd and work has begun. The Splash Pad closed September 1st. All of our parks are looking good and there are meetings scheduled to discuss changing one of our tennis courts to a pickleball court.

There was no Policy & Personnel meeting due to lack of a quorum. It was stated that this was due to a severe weather warning.

2. Old Business

a. The Model Café transaction has been completed and the deed has been filed. An auction will be scheduled with Reading Auction on November 13th. After the sale a time line will be given to purchaser for bringing the buildings up to code.

3. New Business:

a. Garrett Bunch was not present at the meeting.

b. Ordinance 2025-13 "An ordinance levying a tax of one (1) mil on all real estate and personal property in the City of Ozark, Arkansas for the benefit of the Ozark Firemen's Pension Fund." A motion was made by Randy Melton and seconded by Summer Miner. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Angela Harris read the Ordinance. Randy Melton then made a motion to dispense with the 2nd & 3rd readings and proceed by title only. This was seconded by Loren Maier. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Angela Harris read the title two times. A motion to approve was made by Randy Melton and seconded by Argest Hyler. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Ordinance 2025-13 was approved.

c. Ordinance 2025-14 "An ordinance levying a volunteer tax of 1.2 mil on all real estate and personal property in the City of Ozark, Arkansas for the Volunteer Fire Department Fund of the City of Ozark, Arkansas." A motion was made by Summer Miner and seconded by Angela Harris to read the ordinance. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Angela Harris read the ordinance. Argest Hyler made a motion to dispense with the 2nd & 3rd readings and proceed by title only. This was seconded by Randy Melton. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Angela Harris read the title two times. A motion to approve was made by Randy Melton and seconded by Angela Harris. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Ordinance 2025-14 was approved.

d. Ordinance 2025-15 "An ordinance levying a tax of five (5) mil on all real estate and personal property in the City of Ozark, Arkansas for the benefit of the Ozark General Fund." A motion was made by Summer Miner and seconded by Angela Harris to read the ordinance. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Angela Harris read the ordinance. Argest Hyler made a motion to dispense with the 2nd & 3rd readings and proceed by title only. This was seconded by Loren Maier. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Angela Harris read the title two times. A motion was made by Randy Melton and seconded by Loren Maier to approve the ordinance. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and Ordinance 2025-15 was approved.

e. Kevie Haberer spoke regarding increasing economic development in our downtown district, by possibly partnering with other established businesses to renew and/or refurbish older buildings to encourage new business opportunities. City Attorney Kevin Barham was not able to be present so Randy Melton made a motion to table the topic of representation for the A & P until November. There was no response and the motion died. In the following discussion, it was noted that Resolution 2019-3 allows the appointment of an out of town attorney due to there being no local applicants. Regarding the duties of a city attorney, the A & P would like to have a scope of

work drawn up and approved by a city ordinance or a written contract. Summer Miner made a motion to table the matter until the November meeting when Mr. Barham could be present. This was seconded by Randy Melton. Upon a roll call vote, all council members voted aye and the matter was tabled.

f. Annexation of property. A representative for Brister Law Firm provided a handout of the area in question. Annexation would provide them coverage under city water and sewer. Water Department Superintendent Roy Sampley stated that water and sewer are available with the proper state permits. The owners are not interested in a septic system and will be responsible for boring under the highway for sewer installation. Argest Hyler made a motion in favor of following up on this proposal. This was seconded by Randy Melton. Upon a roll call vote all council members voted aye and the motion was approved.

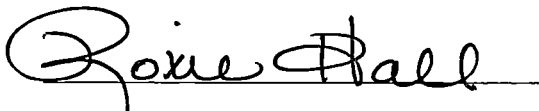
4. There was no public input.

5. Announcements

The Square Gathering was a big success this year. Thank you to Main Street's Justin McCormick and Mattie Jarrad from the A & P for all their hard work. Fall Clean-Up was held the week of October 6 to 11. Scare on the Square will be held Friday, October 31, 2025 from 6:00pm until 8:00pm. The Fire Station will not be serving hot dogs this year since several of our city personnel have children who will be attending an out-of-town Ozark Hillbilly football game. The City will be hosting a Haunted House with the proceeds going to Shop With A Cop. The Kimbrough Building project has been completed!

A motion to adjourn was made by Randy Melton and seconded by Angela Harris. Upon a roll call vote all council members voted aye and the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes for the Ozark City Council meeting held Monday, October 13, 2025 were approved and passed this 10th day of November, 2025.


Mayor Roxie Hall


City Clerk Susan Stevens