

Bryan Moyers, Council Member
David Brundage, Council Member
Holly Gray, Mayor Pro-Tem



Carl E. Gierisch, Jr., Mayor

Brian Darby, Council Member
Hogan Page, Council Member
David Thompson, Council Member

**MINUTES
ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2024
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
500 S. OAK STREET
7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Mayor Carl E. "Scooter" Gierisch, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tem Holly Gray; Council Members: Brian Darby, Hogan Page, David Thompson, and Bryan Moyers; City Manager Cody Petree, City Secretary April S. Hill, and City Attorney Jeff Moore.

DEPT. STAFF: Assistant City Manager/Chief of Police Jeriahme Miller, Fire Chief Chris Addington, Public Works Director Shawn Wilkinson, Parks and Recreation Director Ray McDonald, Library Director Kelly Holt, Executive Assistant Jeannie Homer, and Human Resources Manager Jamie Seil.

ABSENT: Council member David Brundage.

A. CALL CITY COUNCIL TO ORDER

City Council called to order at 7:00 p.m.
Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance given by Mayor Gierisch.

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

C. PUBLIC INPUT

No one wished to speak.

D. PRESENTATION

1. Mayor Gierisch and City Manager Cody Petree presented the 2023 recognition of the City of Roanoke "Core Value Keepers: and "Employee of the Year".

Core Values

Empower - Su Britton
Creativity - Collin Knight
Dedication - Rebecca Tambunga



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Connection - Tracy LeSage
Service - Edwin Ortiz

Employee of the Year

Clint Harmon
Lenny Rose

E. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed below are considered routine and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed and considered separately.

1. Consider approval of the minutes from the regular City Council meeting held on December 12, 2023.
2. Consider approval to authorize staff to utilize Logic and TexSTAR local government investment pools as investment options.
3. Consider the adoption of the City of Roanoke, TX Investment Policy.
4. Consider approval of a contract between the City of Roanoke and Cima Solutions Group for Google Workspace pricing.
5. Consider approval of the contract renewal with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for upgraded software, services, and equipment.

Motion made by Holly Gray second by David Thompson to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 5.

Motion carried unanimously.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and action concerning Board members' attendance at City Board and Commission meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Holly Gray stated that working through last year, there were a lot of absences resulting in multiple boards not having a quorum. Mayor Pro Tem Gray suggested tightening up the bylaws of the boards and commissions, and make potential members aware of set meeting dates.

Council member David Thompson stated that he would like to see continued updates on attendance reports. Council member Thompson further stated current board and commission members may not be aware of the importance and responsibility of serving. Council member Thompson suggested more training and awareness be provided to the members.



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Mayor Gierisch stated he likes set dates for meetings, because it makes it easier to plan your calendar.

City Manager Cody Petree stated most boards and commissions currently have set meeting dates, with a couple of boards meeting "as needed". Mr. Petree further explained that sometimes there are special meetings called out of necessity. Mr. Petree concluded that the biggest issue with absences, is the lack of notifying city staff of their absence with plenty of notice.

Mayor Gierisch stated there are measures in place to remove a member with excessive absences, however, it has not been utilized.

Mayor Pro Tem Gray stated the measure is listed in the city charter, but it is not being utilized, and it needs to be.

Council member Bryan Moyers stated the current application is generic and should be more specific to each board and commission, with the meeting days, times, and location being placed on the application so the applicant is more aware of it. By signing the application, they are acknowledging they are aware of the commitment.

City Attorney Jeff Moore explained the Board of Adjustment is different in terms of removal of members and requires notice and a public hearing before the City Council.

Mr. Petree clarified that Board of Adjustment members terms expired every two (2) years and City Council can elect to not reappoint a member, at that time, without a notice and public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Gray stated that she would like to have an idea and conclusion of what the City Council would like to do, before the end of the meeting.

Mayor Gierisch restated the City Council's suggestions in regard to moving forward with boards and commission applications:

- Attendance reports for City Council
- Specific applications for each board/commission that include the meeting days and time
- Place Section 8.01(5) of the Home Rule Charter on all applications
- Applicant orientation, conducted by Mayor and/or City Council

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will hold a closed Executive Session meeting pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:



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CITY COUNCIL DID NOT CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Section 551.087

To deliberate commercial or financial information the City has received from a business prospect, and to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Holly Gray second by Brian Darby to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.



April S. Hill, City Secretary



Carl E. "Scooter" Gierisch, Jr., Mayor

