Minutes

**CITY OF DIAMOND BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING**

November 13, 2023 Open Session

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Amy Thomlinson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**OPENING PRAYER:** Alderman Michael Badley opened the meeting with prayer

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Amy Thomlinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** City Clerk Kari Payton did roll call. Present were: Mayor Amy Thomlinson, Board President Brandon Poindexter, Alderman Dayton Wicker and Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson. A quorum was present.

**ALSO REPRESENTING THE CITY:** Chief Mike Jones, Water Supervisor Ron Callis, City Collector Krystyn Badley. Citizens included Stormy Cain.

**APPROVING THE AGENDA:**

Board President Brandon Poindexter motioned to approve the agenda. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes  Yes |
| * + Nays | None |

**APPROVING THE MINUTES:**

Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson made the motion to approve the Minutes from the August 24, 2023. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker   + Nays | Yes  Yes  None |

Alderman Dayton Wicker made the motion to approve the Minutes from the October 9, 2023. Board President Brandon Poindexter seconded the motion.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker   + Nays | Yes  Yes  None |

**OPEN FORUM:**

**RESOLUTIONS, BILLS, AND ORDINANCES:**

* First reading of Bill No.11132023 Ordinance No. 509 an ordinance modifying Section 700.080 Application for water and sewerage service section A-4.
* Second reading of Bill No. 11132023 Ordinance No. 509 an ordinance modifying Section 700.080 Application for water and sewerage service section A-4.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker   + Nays | Yes  Yes  None |

* First reading of Bill No.11132023A Ordinance No. 510 an ordinance relinquishing all financial responsibilities from the City of Diamond to the Gem City Committee.
* Second reading of Bill No.11132023A Ordinance No. 510 an ordinance relinquishing all financial responsibilities from the City of Diamond to the Gem City Committee.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker   + Nays | Yes  Yes  None |

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Not in attendance was Dwayne Holly for Premier Fire & Safety. Mayor Amy Thomlinson stepped in to represent him to become the company that would inspect our fire extinguishers. Board President Brandon Poindexter stated that Chief Jones and Mayor Amy Thomlinson can get together to go over everything. Once everything is gone over Premier Fire & Safety can start inspecting our fire extinguishers.

Next Mayor Thomlinson brought to the Boards attention that the Park Board members are needing another person and recommended Jennifer Howard. Amy discussed with Jennifer Howard previously about being on the Park Board. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson made the motion to approve Jennifer Howard to be on the Park Board. Alderman Dayton Wicker Seconded the Motion.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes  Yes |
| * + Nays | None |

Mayor Amy Thomlinson requested permission to cut a check to the Gem City Committee. Board President Brandon Poindexter made the motion to write a check to Gem City Committee. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes  Yes |
| * + Nays | None |

**OLD BUSINESS:**

* When the Storm Siren account was named it was incorrect. We need permission to change the name on the account to match the USDA Grant. Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson motioned to change the name on the account. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker   + Nays | Yes  Yes  None |

* Mayor Amy Thomlinson asked if we have the permission to move $30,200 from the General Fund to the Police Car Account. Alderman Dayton Wicker made the motion to move funds. President Brandon Poindexter seconded the motion.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker   + Nays | Yes  Yes  None |

* Mayor Amy Thomlinson asked if we have the permission to move $19,500 from the General Fund to the Storm Siren Account. President Brandon Poindexter made the motion to move funds. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker   + Nays | Yes  Yes  None |

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS:**

* Chief of Police-Submitted written reports
* Court Clerk- Submitted written reports.
* City Clerk – Submitted written report.
* City Collector- Brought bad debt to the boards attention.
* Water Superintendent- No written report submitted.
* Waste Water Superintendent- No written report submitted.
* Street Superintendent - No written report submitted.

**MAYOR/BOARD REPORTS:**

* Mayor presented her report – Mayor brought to the board that we had an incident of an elderly man almost falling out of the door. We are looking at a ramp or hand rail to install. She also reminded the board that the Christmas Parade is on December 2nd for the judges.

**REPORTS OF CITY COMMITTEES:**

**PAYABLES:**

After reviewing the bills, listed and unlisted Board President Brandon Poindexter made the Motion to approve paying the bills listed and unlisted Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| * + Board President Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| * + Alderman Michael Badley | Yes |
| * + Treasurer Prescott Thomlinson   + Alderman Dayton Wicker | Yes  Yes |
| * + Nays | None |

**ADJOURN:**

* All business having been presented and addressed, President Brandon Poindexter made the motion to adjourn at 6:23 P.M. Alderman Dayton Wicker seconded the motion.

Minute’s approved\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Amy Thomlinson, Mayor

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Kari Payton, City Clerk