

CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY, ARKANSAS
City Council Minutes
January 12, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Fairfield Bay City Council was called to order by Mayor Seth Connell.

ROLL CALL:

Bella Comas, Roger Hooper, Sandra Crowder, Richard Matthews, Ruth Krotz, Patti Leitner. Counsel was also present.

Approval of agenda

Rose Owen stated that she had previously adjusted the agenda, and that was presented. Clarification requested whether the Ordinance (Lynn Creek Crossing) was in the handouts and on the agenda for second read.
Yes it was.

Councilmember Krotz made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented to the Council. Councilmember Comas seconded the motion.

Discussion: none

Roll Call: Bella Comas YES, Patti Leitner YES, Richard Matthew YES, Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Roger Hooper YES.

Rules for Public comment were read.

Mayor Connell presented his report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Krotz made a motion to approve the minutes as previously revised and distributed to the Council.

Councilmember Hooper seconded the motion.

Discussion: Counsel explained the amended minutes

Roll Call: Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Roger Hooper YES. Bella Comas YES, Patti Leitner YES, Richard Matthew YES

APPROVE FINANCIALS

Councilmember Hooper made a motion to approve the Financials as reported.

Councilmember Matthews seconded the motion.

Discussion: none

With a voice vote of six ayes and none opposed, motion carried.

Departments presented their reports.

New Business

Counsel asked for a motion to read the Ordinance, title only second read.

Councilmember Krotz made a motion to read the Ordinance second read, title only.

Councilmember Hooper seconded the motion.

Discussion: none

Roll Call: Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Roger Hooper YES. Bella Comas YES, Patti Leitner YES, Richard Matthew YES

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY, ARKANSAS, PROTECTING THE LYNN CREEK CROSSING AREA ON WEST CLIFF DRIVE, CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY, VAN BUREN COUNTY, ARKANSAS, FROM ALL -TERRAIN VEHICLES, AND ALL OTHER MOTORIZED VEHICLES; ESTABLISHING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Counsel read the Ordinance.

Councilmember Comas made a motion to approve the Ordinance (second read), and move to the third read.

Councilmember Crowder seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Roll Call: Roger Hooper YES, Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Richard Matthews YES, Bella Comas YES, Patti Leitner YES

Counsel read the Ordinance title only third read.

Councilmember Comas made a motion to approve the Ordinance and move to the reading of the emergency clause.

Councilmember Crowder seconded the motion.

Discussion: none

Roll Call: Patti Leitner YES, Roger Hooper YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Richard Matthews YES, Bella Comas YES, Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES

Counsel read the emergency clause.

Councilmember Comas made a motion to approve the emergency clause.

Councilmember Leitner seconded the motion.

Discussion: none

Roll Call: Roger Hooper YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Richard Matthews YES, Bella Comas YES, Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Patti Leitner

This will be Ordinance 2026-01

Planning Commission recommended approval of Short Term Rental 217 Snead.

Councilmember Comas made a motion to approve Planning's recommendation.

Councilmember Leitner seconded the motion

Discussion:

Roll Call: Patti Leitner YES, Roger Hooper YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Richard Matthews YES, Bella Comas YES, Ruth Krotz Abstain, Sandra Crowder YES

Planning Commission recommended approval of a Renewal of Short Term Rental at 122 Blase Line Road.

Councilmember Comas made a motion to approve Planning's recommendation.

Councilmember Leitner seconded the motion

Discussion: Councilmember Matthews asked about the portion that states that the taxes have not been paid to A&P. Recorder/ Treasurer responded that the property had not yet been rented, so the taxes will be paid after it has been rented.

Roll Call: Patti Leitner YES, Roger Hooper YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Richard Matthews YES, Bella Comas YES, Ruth Krotz Abstain, Sandra Crowder YES

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY, ARKANSAS, APPROVING DISPOSITION OF ASSET: APPROVING REMOVAL OF CERTAIN ASSETS FROM THE CITY'S LIST OF ASSETS: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Counsel read the Resolution.

Councilmember Comas made a motion to approve the Resolution.

Councilmember Leitner seconded the motion.

Discussion: Discussion was had to the way to dispose of the machine. After much discussion it was suggested that we sell it outright, as it is (without knowing if it is functional)

Roll Call: Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Roger Hooper YES. Bella Comas YES, Patti Leitner YES, Richard Matthew YES

This will be Resolution 2026-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY, ARKANSAS, AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FAIRFIELD BAY PARK FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Counsel read the Resolution.

Councilmember Comas made a motion to approve the Resolution.

Councilmember Crowder seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilmember Krotz said that this was put into Campground and would be switched to Parks and Rec, as the campground has volunteers.

Roll Call: Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Roger Hooper YES. Bella Comas YES, Patti Leitner YES, Richard Matthew YES

This will be Resolution 2026-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY, ARKANSAS, AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PAVING FOR ATV-UTV PARKING LOT: APPROVING BID IN EXCESS OF PREVIOUS ESTIMATE: AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE STREETS AND ROADS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026; APPROPRIATING FUNDS: AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Counsel read the Resolution.

Councilmember Hooper made a motion to approve the Resolution.

Councilmember Leitner seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilmember Hooper explained the issue, as stated by Trey Foster (engineer), for the project.

Roll Call: Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Roger Hooper YES. Bella Comas YES, Patti Leitner YES, Richard Matthew YES

This will be Resolution 2026-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY, ARKANSAS, REFERRING TO THE BUILDING INSPECTOR A COMPLAINT OF A CITIZEN CONCERNING THE GRANTING OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR SIGNS AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY ON DAVE CREEK PARKWAY, AT HIGHWAY 16; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Counsel read the Resolution.

Councilmember Krotz made a motion to approve the Resolution, as revised (and as read)

Councilmember Comas seconded the motion.

Discussion: Counsel stated that the revision (as read) was in the whereas clause. Counsel informed the Council of the zoning code which contains a "complaint" procedure.

Councilmember asked if this was concerning the sign (at the entrance); Counsel stated it is, and explained the code and the way to handle it.

A stop order was not issued, because it was not in the request (set forth in the complaint).

Roll Call: Ruth Krotz YES, Sandra Crowder YES, Roger Hooper YES. Bella Comas YES, Patti Leitner YES, Richard Matthew YES

This will be Resolution 2026-04

At the Mayor's request, Counsel read a reminder to elected officials (and all city employees) that the City does not allow campaigning on City property, as set forth in various state laws. The Conference Center is available for market rate rental to candidates who want to pay for use of the Conference Center (which is available at the same market rate to any candidate).

Public Comment.

Councilmember Hooper made a motion to adjourn.

Councilmember Leitner seconded the motion. No Discussion requested.

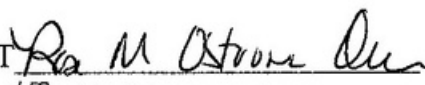
With a voice vote of six ayes and none opposed, Adjourned

APPROVED DATE 2/9/2026

APPROVED


Mayor Seth Connell

ATTEST


Recorder/ Treasurer

Rose M Ostronic Owen