

MINUTES

The White Bluff Town Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, at White Bluff Town Hall. Present were Council members Linda Hayes, Connie Reed, Carl Kincaid, Scott Glover, Bryan Hill, and Stephanie Murrell. Also present included Town Recorder Melody Lewis, Town Attorney Andrew Mills, Projects Administrator and Public Works Director Jeff Martin, Fire Chief Eric Deal, Police Chief Chris Fulcher, Codes Administrator Roy Frizzell and members of the public.

Mayor Linda Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

The Pledge to the Flag was recited.

1274 Motion to approve minutes of the January 3, 2022, regular meeting:
Motion by Connie Reed, second by Carl Kincaid, carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mike McArdle addressed the Council regarding the upcoming growth plan and the Council's procedure for Public Comment. Other suggestions included filming / recording Town Council and Planning Commission meetings and moving Planning Commission meetings to the evening.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR:

- Mayor Hayes informed the Council of the upcoming "Taste of White Bluff" event on June 8, 2023.

BUDGET AND FINANCE:

- Town Recorder Melody Lewis informed the Council that prep for the 2023-2024 Budget would start in the April/May timeframe and the current year budget (2022-2023) would need to be amended later this fiscal year.

CODES AND PERMITS:

- Attorney Andrew Mills updated the Council on an upcoming Ordinance to amend the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) procedure. The amended Ordinance will go before the Planning Commission during the February meetings and return to the Council for two readings and a Public Hearing in the March / April timeframe.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- Police Chief Chris Fulcher reported that the White Bluff Police Department responded to 396 calls during the month of January.
- Fire Chief Eric Deal reported that the White Bluff Fire Department responded to 66 calls during the month of January.
- Fire Chief Eric Deal and the Council had ongoing discussion regarding placement of fire hydrants, water line sizes, project funding, etc.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

PARKS AND RECREATION:

- Mayor Hayes reminded the Council that Little League signups were underway.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Attorney Andrew Mills reviewed a memorandum regarding the Tennessee Open Meetings Act ("TOMA") and Town Hall Meetings with the Council. After discussion, the following actions were determined:
#1275 Attorney Mills to review Town of White Bluff meeting minutes procedures / format and report back to the Council.
#1276 Motion to waive rental fees for either the Bibb-White Bluff Civic Center or the White Bluff Community Center for up to four (4) times in any given calendar year for any individual Council member to conduct a Town Hall Meeting;
Motion by Carl Kincaid, second by Stephanie Murrell, carried 5-0.
- Council member Connie Reed updated the Council on a fee quote from the Water Authority of Dickson County for up to nine (9) new fire hydrants to be installed on existing water lines. No further action was taken at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mayor Linda Hayes updated the Council on a response from the Water Authority of Dickson County to two (2) questions submitted to them via Town Attorney Andrew Mills from Council member Carl Kincaid. After discussion, the following action was taken:
#1277 Request Attorney Andrew Mills to research if the Town can prohibit Alternate Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems ("Package Systems") within the Town limits and report back to the Council.
- Council member Carl Kincaid asked if the Town could collect taxes on future Short-Term Rentals (STR). Attorney Andrew Mills reminded the Council of the recently passed Hotel / Motel Tax Amendment that will allow tax collections of this type.
- Council member Carl Kincaid reminded the Council to submit up to three (3) representatives for the upcoming Vision Group sessions.

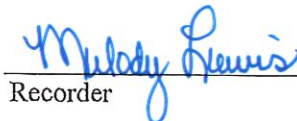
ADJOURNMENT:

1278 Motion to adjourn at 8:01 p.m.:

Motion by Connie Reed, second by Bryan Hill; carried 5-0.



Mayor



Recorder