

MINUTES

The White Bluff Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, July 1, 2025, at White Bluff Town Hall. Present were Council members Stephanie Murrell, Connie Reed, Carl Kincaid, Scott Glover, Bryan Hill, and Jacob Puckett. Also present included Town Recorder Misty Rodgers, Town Attorney Andrew Mills, Projects Administrator and Public Works Director Jeff Martin, Fire Chief Eric Deal, Police Chief Chris Fulcher, Codes Administrator Derrick Long and members of the public.

Mayor Stephanie Murrell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge to the Flag was recited.

1548 Motion to approve minutes of the June 3, 2025, regular meeting:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Matthew Crow, Wagner Way, discussed a water-related issue on Wagner Way in the White Bluff Hills Subdivision.
- Mike McArdle, Diane Loop, discussed the budget.
- Charles Buck, Westcott Rd., discussed the budget and License Plate Readers (LPRs).
- Hannah Vaught, Wagner Way, discussed a water-related issue on Wagner Way in the White Bluff Hills Subdivision.
- Janet McArdle, Diane Loop, discussed the budget.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A Public Hearing was conducted before the second and final reading of an Ordinance establishing a Town of White Bluff Budget for fiscal year 2025-2026. Mike McArdle, Diane Loop, spoke on the measure.
- A Public Hearing was conducted before the second and final reading Rezoning Map 095 Parcel 053.00 (previous 70@ Church project location) from R-3 PUD (High-density Residential Planned Unit Development) to C-2 (Highway Commercial). No one spoke for or against the measure.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR:

- Mayor Stephanie Murrell discussed the upcoming July 4th Celebration on Friday, July 4, 2025, in downtown White Bluff.

BUDGET AND FINANCE:

- Town Recorder Misty Rodgers provided the Council with a copy of the May 2025 financial reports and responded to Council questions.
- Consider on second and final reading an Ordinance establishing a Town of White Bluff Budget for fiscal year 2025-2026. To facilitate discussion, Mayor Stephanie Murrell requested a motion to approve the budget as presented on second and final reading.

#1549 Motion to approve on second and final reading an Ordinance Establishing a fiscal year 2025-2026 Town of White Bluff budget as presented.

Motion by Connie Reed, second by Bryan Hill. After review and discussion, a roll call

vote was requested with voting as follows: Reed, Puckett, Hill and Glover voting yes, Kincaid voting no, motion carried 4-1.

CODES AND PERMITS:

- Consider on second and final reading Rezoning of Map 095 Parcel 053.00 (previous 70@ Church project location) from R-3 PUD (High-density Residential Planned Unit Development) to C-2 (Highway Commercial). After discussion and review of a request by the property owner to waive the Traffic Assessment requirement in exchange for a self-imposed condition specifying that a more intensive Traffic Impact Study shall be required for any future development of this property regardless of owner. NOTE: During discussion, the Council justified the waiver of the Traffic Assessment with the belief that rezoning from a high-density, mixed use planned unit development (PUD) zone to a more restrictive commercial zone was downzoning.

#1550 Motion to approve on second and final reading Rezoning of Map 095 Parcel 053.00 (previous 70@ Church project location) from R-3 PUD (High-density Residential Planned Unit Development) to C-2 (Highway Commercial), waiving the Traffic Assessment requirement – citing downzoning - in exchange for a self-imposed condition specifying that a more intensive Traffic Impact Study shall be required for any future development of this property regardless of owner.

Motion by Carl Kincaid, second by Jacob Puckett, carried 5-0.

- Codes Administrator Derrick Long reported that the White Bluff Codes Department issued three (3) residential permits during the month of June 2025 and responded to Council questions.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- Police Chief Chris Fulcher reported that the White Bluff Police Department responded to 386 calls during the month of June 2025 and responded to Council questions.
- Fire Chief Eric Deal reported that the White Bluff Fire Department responded to 73 calls during the month of June 2025 and responded to Council questions.
- Court Clerk Dixie Kerr reported via printed report that the White Bluff Municipal and General Sessions Court processed 75 cases during the month of June 2025.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

PARKS AND RECREATION:

- Councilmember Connie Reed updated the Council on the efforts to reclaim land for parking at Veterans Memorial Park by allowing appropriate fill (dirt, rock, etc.) from select contractors.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Review Commerce Advisory Committee members. Mayor Stephanie Murrell updated the Council on the Commerce Advisory Committee members. Representing the Town Council is Bryan Hill. Local business leaders include Cindy Dawson (Ace Hardware), Lynette Edmonson (The Buffalo Coffee Co.), Chuck Rota (Salt and Pepper Grill) and Dreama Johnson (Harpeth Health). The initial meeting of the Commerce Advisory Committee is expected later this month - July 2025.

- Consider on second and final reading an Ordinance to Establish an Updated Occupational Safety and Health Program Plan, Devise Rules and Regulations, and Provide for a Safety Director and the Implementation of such Program Plan. After review and discussion;

#1551 Motion to approve on second and final reading an Ordinance to Establish an Updated Occupational Safety and Health Program Plan, Devise Rules and Regulations, and Provide for a Safety Director and the Implementation of such Program Plan.

Motion by Jacob Puckett, second by Carl Kincaid, carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

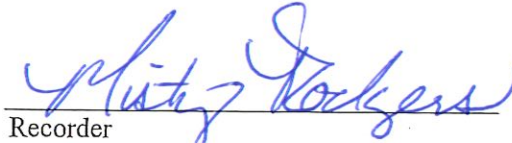
- Councilmember Connie Reed encouraged Council members and the general public to reach out to their County Commissioners to request improvements to the White Bluff Convenience Center Site.

ADJOURNMENT:

1552 Motion to adjourn at 7:44p.m.:

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


Mayor


Recorder