

MINUTES

The White Bluff Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, 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, Deputy Recorder Misty Rodgers, Town Attorney Andrew Mills, Projects Administrator and Public Works Director Jeff Martin, Fire Chief Eric Deal, Police Chief Chris Fulcher and members of the public.

Mayor Linda Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge to the Flag was recited.

1394 Motion to approve minutes of the May 7, 2024, regular meeting:
Motion by Connie Reed, second by Bryan Hill, carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mike McArdle, Diane Loop, spoke regarding the Town's financials.
- Janet McArdle, Diane Loop, spoke regarding the Town's financials.
- Rob Waggoner, 1205 White Bluff Rd., spoke regarding the upcoming budget.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- None

COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR:

BUDGET AND FINANCE:

- Town Recorder Melody Lewis provided the Council with a copy of the April 2024 financial reports and responded to Council questions.
- Consider on first reading Amendment of the fiscal year 2023 – 2024 Town of White Bluff budget (current budget). After lengthy discussion:
#1395 Motion to approve on first reading Amendment of the fiscal year 2023 – 2024 Town of White Bluff budget (current budget).
Motion by Connie Reed, second by Carl Kincaid, carried 4-1 with Scott Glover voting no.
- Consider Residential Trash Pick-up Bids and authorize Mayor to enter into a contract with the selected bidder.
The Town received two (2) bids to provide residential trash pickup beginning July 1, 2024. The bids were as follows:

Cumberland Disposal / Sweet Home Sanitation, LLC	\$237,600.00
SPI Waste and Recycling, LLC	\$305,325.00

#1396 Motion to approve Cumberland Disposal / Sweet Home Sanitation, LLC bid of \$237,600.00 to provide residential trash pick-up beginning July 1, 2024, and authorize Mayor Hayes to enter into a contract with Cumberland Disposal / Sweet Home Sanitation, LLC.
Motion by Carl Kincaid, second by Bryan Hill, carried 5-0.

- Consider on first reading the Town of White Bluff Budget for fiscal year 2024 – 2025 (new budget). Two (2) budgets were presented to the Council. Budget one (1) is an all-inclusive budget including what every department head requested. Budget two (2) is an essentials budget only including the necessities. After lengthy discussion:
#1397 Motion to approve on first reading the all-inclusive budget including an additional \$2/hour increase in Police Patrol Officer and Starting Police Officer pay.
 Motion by Carl Kincaid, second by Bryan Hill, additional discussion ensued:
#1398 Motion to amend the all-inclusive budget by removing funds allocated for the digital sign (\$33,397.46) at Town Hall.
 Motion by Stephanie Murrell, second by Scott Glover, with roll call voting as follows: Murrell, Glover and Hill voting yes, Kincaid and Reed voting no, carried 3-2.
#1399 Motion to amend the all-inclusive budget by removing funds allocated for the key card access security project (\$87,875.00).
 Motion by Stephanie Murrell, second by Bryan Hill, with roll call voting as follows: Murrell, Hill, Glover, Kincaid and Reed voting yes, carried 5-0.
#1400 Motion to amend the all-inclusive budget by removing funds allocated for six (6) new Police vehicles (approximately \$360,000.00).
 Motion by Stephanie Murrell, motion failed due to lack of a second.
#1401 Motion to amend the all-inclusive budget by moving the funds allocated for Street Lighting (\$75,000.00) from the General Fund to the State Street Aid Fund.
 Motion by Stephanie Murrell, second by Scott Glover, with roll call voting as follows: Murrell, Glover and Hill voting yes, Kincaid and Reed voting no, carried 3-2.
#1402 Motion to amend the all-inclusive budget by removing funds allocated for the document scanning project (\$42,000.00).
 Motion by Stephanie Murrell, second by Scott Glover, with roll call voting as follows: Murrell and Glover voting yes, Hill, Kincaid and Reed voting no, failed 2-3.
#1403 Motion to amend the all-inclusive budget by reducing the number of new Police vehicles from 6 to 4 (approximately \$120,000.00).
 Motion by Scott Glover, second by Bryan Hill, with roll call voting as follows: Glover, Hill, Murrell and Kincaid voting yes, Reed voting no, carried 4-1.
#1404 Motion to amend the all-inclusive budget by reducing the number of monitors in the Courtroom from 2 to 1 (approximately \$5,000.00).
 Motion by Scott Glover, second by Stephanie Murrell, with roll call voting as follows: Glover, Murrell and Hill voting yes, Kincaid and Reed voting no, carried 3-2.
 Being no additional amendments, the initial budget amendment (#1397) was considered.
#1397 Motion to approve on first reading the above-amended, all-inclusive budget including an additional \$2/hour increase in Police Patrol Officer and Starting Police Officer pay.
 Motion by Carl Kincaid, second by Bryan Hill, with roll call voting as follows: Kincaid, Hill, Glover, Murrell and Reed voting yes, carried 5-0.

CODES AND PERMITS:

- Consider on first reading rezoning request for Map 096J, Group A, Parcel 012.00 (1022 Taylor Town Rd.) from C-1 (Central Business District to R-2 (Medium-density Residential). NOTE: Applicant has proposed the following self-imposed condition: If the parcel is rezoned as requested, it will be developed only as a single-

family home. During discussion, Councilmember Bryan Hill disclosed his business partnership with the applicant, Mr. Cliff Harmon, and stated that he was in no way involved in or had any interest in this project.

#1405 Motion to approve on first reading the rezoning request for Map 096J, Group A, Parcel 012.00 (1022 Taylor Town Rd.) from C-1 (Central Business District to R-2 (Medium-density Residential). NOTE: Applicant has proposed the following self-imposed condition: If the parcel is rezoned as requested, it will be developed only as a single-family home.

Motion by Bryan Hill, second by Scott Glover, with roll call voting as follows: Hill, Glover and Kincaid voting yes, Murrell and Reed voting no, carried 3-2.

- **#1406 Motion to add the following to July's Work Session: Reevaluate the current zoning in the area immediately north of the Hwy 70 / Taylor Town Rd. intersection.**
Motion by Bryan Hill, second by Carl Kincaid, with roll call voting as follows: Hill, Kincaid, Glover, Reed and Murrell voting yes, carried 5-0.
- Consider on first reading Zoning Ordinance revision regarding Woodland Protection. After discussion;
#1407 Motion to approve on first reading the Zoning Ordinance revision regarding Woodland Protection.
Motion by Connie Reed, second by Carl Kincaid, with roll call voting as follows: Reed, Kincaid, Murrell, Hill and Glover voting yes, carried 5-0.
- Consider on first reading Zoning Ordinance revision regarding Access Management Minimum Standards. After discussion;
#1408 Motion to approve on first reading the Zoning Ordinance revision regarding Access Management Minimum Standards.
Motion by Carl Kincaid, second by Bryan Hill, with roll call voting as follows: Kincaid, Hill, Reed, Murrell and Glover voting yes, carried 5-0.
- Public Works Director Jeff Martin reported that the White Bluff Codes Department issued six (6) building permits during the month of May 2024 and responded to Council questions.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- Police Chief Chris Fulcher reported that the White Bluff Police Department responded to 310 calls during the month of May 2024, and responded to Council questions.
- Fire Chief Eric Deal reported that the White Bluff Fire Department responded to 70 calls during the month of May 2024 and responded to Council questions.
- Court Clerk Dixie Kerr reported via printed report that the White Bluff Municipal and General Sessions Court processed 49 cases during the month of May 2024.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

- Consider Offer of Irrevocable Dedication accepting the Cherokee Dr. extension and Cherokee Ct. (Dillard Hills Estates, Section G) as Town Streets including a maintenance bond of \$21,000.00. After discussion;
#1409 Motion to accept the Cherokee Dr. extension and Cherokee Ct. (Dillard Hills Estates, Section G) as Town Streets and acknowledge a one-year maintenance bond

of \$21,000.00.

Motion by Connie Reed, second by Carl Kincaid, with roll call voting as follows: Reed, Kincaid, Hill, Murrell and Glover voting yes, carried 5-0.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

OLD BUSINESS:

- Consider Resolution acknowledging receipt and endorsing the 2044 White Bluff Comprehensive Plan. After discussion,
#1410 Motion to accept Resolution acknowledging receipt and endorsing the 2044 White Bluff Comprehensive Plan.
Motion by Carl Kincaid, second by Bryan Hill, with roll call voting as follows: Kincaid, Hill, Reed and Glover voting yes, Murrell abstaining, carried 4-0-1.
- Councilmember Stephanie Murrell asked for an update on requiring sprinklers for developments with shared walls. Attorney Andrew Mills responded that he would have something for the Council to consider after July.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Councilmember Stephanie Murrell asked if the signage at Hwy 70 and Maple St. (Maple St. has been previously closed by the Council) could be removed.
- Councilmember Stephanie Murrell asked that Town mowing be bid out before next year's budget.

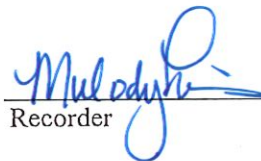
ADJOURNMENT:

1411 Motion to adjourn at 9:21p.m.:

Motion by Connie Reed, second by Stephanie Murrell, carried 5-0.



Mayor



Recorder