

Bull Shoals City Council

Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2023

I. Call to order, Pledge of Allegiance, & Roll Call

Mayor Michael Savu called to order the regular meeting of the Bull Shoals City Council at 6:30 pm on April 27, 2023 at 706 CS Woods Dr. Bull Shoals, AR 72619. Everyone stood and gave Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag. Recorder Tina Bailey conducted the roll call. The following persons were present: Mayor Michael Savu, Council members: Dino Giannini, Joey Grede, Daryl Lindman, Michael Castagna, Dale Forbus, and Wesley Phelan. Ms. Bailey announced we have a quorum to conduct business.

II. Minutes – Mayor Savu asked if everyone had read the regular March minutes. Mr. Grede motioned to accept the minutes. Mr. Phelan seconded. The minutes were approved by acclamation.

III. Treasurer Report-Mr. Doshier was absent and Mayor Savu reported the bank reconciliation balances as of March 31, 2023 are \$2,172,232, up \$59,494 from a year ago. City sales tax collections for March were \$35,598, which are up \$3,559 from last March. Sales tax collections for the first quarter are \$103,015 against last years \$103,528. That is a difference of \$513. Total income for the city for March was \$162,462, which is down \$5,444 from a year ago. Total expenses over that same time frame are \$184,762, resulting in a net loss of \$22,301. That is an improvement of \$62,650 from last years loss in March. Total income for the time period ending March 31, 2023 is \$556,898 which is up from last years \$543,952, which is up \$12,946. Total expenses over the same time frame are \$561,631 versus \$558,617 for 2022. That's up \$3,014 from last year. Net loss through the first quarter was \$4,732, against last years loss of \$14,664. Mr. Lindman motioned to accept the treasurer's report and Mr. Forbus seconded. Everyone approved except for Mr. Grede. The motion carried.

IV. Department Reports -

- a. Police**- Chief John Ainsworth was absent and Mayor Savu stated the report stands as submitted and is attached.
- b. Fire**-Chief Brent Mitchell stated the report stands as submitted and is attached.
- c. Public Works**- The reports are submitted as written and are attached.

Mr. Grede motioned to accept all the reports and Mr. Forbus seconded. The reports were approved by acclamation.

V. Commission Reports-Planning & Zoning Commission- Chairman Carol Duss Mayor Savu stated there was no meeting this month and therefore there is nothing to present. The next meeting will be May 24, 2023 at 6:00 pm. Ms. Carol Duss stated we still need a 5th member to the commission and would like to recommend Mr. Castanga at this time. Mr. Lindman made the motion to install Mr. Castanga and Mr. Phelan seconded. Mayor Savu stated according to the code book the planning and zoning appointment is to come from the Mayor and the council ratifies. Therefore, he does not choose to nominate Mr. Castanga.

VI. Citizen Comments (related to agenda)-

- a. There were no citizen comments to the agenda.

VII. Continuing Business –

- a. **Short-Term Rentals-** Mayor Savu is looking into the density rule, the licensing, and the taxing rule.
- b. **2022-Water Audit -** Mr. Castagna motioned to accept the 2022 Water Audit and Mr. Grede seconded. Mayor Savu asked for a roll call vote. The roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0

VIII. New Business.

- a. **2022 Budget Reconciliation Resolution 2023-03-** Mr. Giannini motioned to accept the resolution and Mr. Lindman seconded. Mayor Savu asked for a roll call vote. The roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0
- b. **Streets –** Margaret & Sandot-Council member Grede-Mayor Savu stated the streets department checks these ditches on a daily basis.
- c. **Grant for Fun Parks –** Councilmembers Giannini & Phelan -They need a copy of the contracts of the parks to send to the Corp of Engineers and the Parks grant people is the next step.

IX. Citizen Comments- (limited to 3 minutes per citizen wishing to speak)

- a. **Meryl Faucet-** He thinks the councilmembers should not wear caps.

- b. Robin Faucet**-She asked about voting on the chicken issue and Mayor Savu stated it will be discussed next workshop.
- c. Lynn Nickels**-She asked to consider the Brown's Beach park over the Danhauser Park for the grant that is being considered.
- d. Charles Farrell**-He wants to know if a council member should be on an administrative leave if they are under investigation? Mayor Savu stated there is not an option and there is nothing to discuss.
- e. Robin Faucet**-She asked if the cursing could be curtailed from the audience.
- f. Keith Hilburn**-He would also like people to watch their language. He also wanted to discuss the criminal supenas to Tina Bailey and the previous Mayor Nixon. Mayor Savu stated he did not want to discuss it and Ms. Bailey stated she is not allowed to discuss it. He also asked if the city has retained a lawyer. Mayor Savu stated we have retained a lawyer and he will be attending the meetings as required.
- g. Tim Curtis**-He is asking for people to think about the bees when spraying for ticks and bugs. He also asked for spraying be done early in the morning or in the evening.
- h. Councilmember Grede** apologized to the Faucets for not checking their culverts. Crestline and Summit

X. Adjournment-

Mr. Lindman motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Forbus seconded. The motion carried and Mayor Michael Savu adjourned the meeting at 7:02 PM.

Minutes submitted by Tina Bailey