

Bull Shoals City Council

Meeting Minutes

July 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 July 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 was absent and Mayor Michael Savu conducted the roll call. The following persons were present: Mayor Michael Savu, Council members: Dino Giannini, Joey Grede, Daryl Lindman, Michael Castagna, Wesley Phelan, and Dale Forbus. Mayor Savu announced we have a quorum to conduct business.

II. Minutes – Mayor Savu asked if everyone had read the regular June minutes. Mr. Grede motioned to accept the minutes. Mr. Forbus seconded. The motion carried.

III. Treasurer Report-Mr. Doshier reported the bank reconciliation balances as of June 30, 2023 are \$2,473,156, up \$149,063 from a year ago. City sales tax collections for June were \$41,611, which are up \$5,278, from last June. Sales tax collections for the first six months are \$223,266 against last years \$214,847. That is an improvement of \$8,419. Total income for the city for June was \$215,714, which is up \$23,520 from a year ago. Total expenses over that same time frame are \$163,221, resulting in a net income of \$52,493. That is an improvement of \$28,825 from last June. Total income for the time period ending June 30, 2023 is \$1,394,172 which is up from last years \$1,228,977, which is up \$165,195. Total expenses over the same time frame are \$1,048,098 versus \$1,000,417 for 2022. That's up \$47,681 from last year. Net income through the first six months is \$346,074, against last years net income of \$228,560, an improvement of \$117,514. Mr. Lindman motioned to accept the treasurer's report and Mr. Castanga seconded. 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 was absent and Mayor Savu stated the report stands as submitted and is attached. We have a part-time position open.
- c. Public Works**- The reports are submitted as written and are attached.

Mr. Lindman motioned to accept all the reports and Mr. Grede seconded. The reports were approved.

- V. Commission Reports-Planning & Zoning Commission-** Chairman Carol Duss stated we are planning to move forward on updating the city maps. They are working with the GIS system.

VI. Citizen Comments (related to agenda)-

- a. Phil Friese-**He stated to drop the whole Village Mart thing because of the cost to the city.

VII. Continuing Business –

- a. Old Village Mart Ordinance No. 2023-04-**There was a discussion between the councilmembers and the city attorney about the ordinance. Mayor Savu read Ordinance 2023-04 titled, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND GOVERNING THE RAZING AND REMOVAL OF 928 CENTRAL AVE” in its entirety. Mr. Lindman motioned to pass the ordinance and Mr. Phelan seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mr. Lindman motioned to instill the emergency clause and read by title only and Mr. Giannini seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mayor Savu read the title of Ordinance 2023-04. Mr. Lindman motioned to read by title only and Mr. Phelan seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mayor Savu read the title of Ordinance 2023-04 for its 2nd reading. Mr. Lindman made the motion to pass the ordinance and Mr. Phelan seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and everyone said yes. 6/0
- b. Chickens-**Mayor Savu stated the petition had 195 votes yes and 11 votes no and asked the councilmembers about the citizens thoughts from each of there wards. He also stated he does not see enough support for the chickens and therefore has tabled the issue.
- c. Sidewalks Phase 1-Handrails-** There was a discussion of the costs and asked to postpone the decision until next meeting after itemized costs are made available.

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

- a. **Phil Friese**-He handed out a paper about the proper appointments to the planning and zoning commission. You may get a copy from the City Clerk.
- b. **Rusty Shroeder**- He is concerned with the water tap fees in Deerfield. He would like the council to remedy the problem.
- c. **Tim Curtis**- He asked everyone to be careful when applying spray to their yards against chiggers and ticks because it can kill the bees.
- d. **Keith Hilburn**- He stated the council should not take anyone's property.
- e. **Pat Curtis**-She asked about the sidewalk handrails and if it is according to the law. Mayor Savu stated according to the grant rules we have to be ADA compliant.

IX. Adjournment-

Mr. Giannini motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Lindman seconded. The motion carried and Mayor Michael Savu adjourned the meeting at 7:22 PM.

Minutes submitted by Tina Bailey

Tina M. Bailey
Michael Savu 8/31/23

