

Bull Shoals City Council

Meeting Minutes

May 26, 2022

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

Mayor Nixon called to order the regular meeting of the Bull Shoals City Council at 6:30 pm on May 26, 2022 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 David Nixon, Council members: Dino Giannini, Daryl Lindman, Joey Grede, Chuck Kinler, and David McBee. Dr. Kirby Davenport was absent. Ms. Bailey announced we have a quorum to conduct business.

- II. Minutes** – Mayor asked if everyone had read the April minutes. Mr. Giannini motioned to accept the April minutes. Mr. McBee seconded. There were minutes were approved by acclamation. Mr. Grede did not approve.

- III. Treasurer Report**-Mr. Doshier reported the bank reconciliation balances as of April 30, 2022 are \$2,218,358, up \$282,437 from a year ago and up \$150,590 from last month. This includes all monies in the city's 20 accounts, but does not include the monies in the USDA Wastewater account or the Arkansas Rescue Plan account. City sales tax collections for April were \$32,060 which are down \$560 from last April. Collections for the first four months are up \$3,270 from last year. YTD collections are \$134,401 versus \$132,131 a year ago. Total income for the city for April was \$245,032, which is up \$50,305 from a year ago. Total expenses over that same time frame are \$124,339, which is down \$24,435 from last year, resulting in a net income of \$120,694 this April versus \$45,954 April 2021. Year to date income is \$788,789 with expenses of \$682,956. This results in a net income from operations of \$105,843 for the first four months. Mr. Kinler motioned to accept the treasurer's report and Mr. McBee seconded. The report was approved by acclamation.

IV. Department Reports -

- a. Police**- Sargent John Ainsworth stated the report stands as written and attached.
- b. Fire**-Chief Mitchell stated the report stands as submitted and is attached. We have begun our hydrant testing.

- c. **Public Works**-Mayor Nixon reported the wastewater lift station #6 has been repaired. A lot of turnover in streets personnel. They are running behind with wood chipping. They should finish next week. The trash pick up is running slow because of staffing problems. The 3 lawn mowers have been refurbished. Councilmember Grede would like a paper document for the public works report.

Mr. Lindman motioned to accept all the reports and Mr. Kinler seconded. The report was approved by acclamation.

V. Commission Reports-

- a. **Planning & Zoning Commission**- Chairman Bonnie Sumner stated there was not enough people to have a meeting, therefore there is not a report. There were 3 citizens that were there and they discussed RV parking on property.

VI. Continuing Business -

- a. **Comdemnation**-Mobile Home on 109 Bull Shoals Dam Blvd.-We have received one bid for this property to be demolished. The bids will be opened on May 31, 2022. Mayor announced that we have a continuance court date of August 23, 2022, at 10:00am, for the Old Village Mart. Mayor announced our attorneys have asked to schedule an inspection of the facility before the court hearing. Our fire chief was denied access to the facility.
- b. **Streets Funding**- Atlas Asphalt has put a bid in for the top list \$134,925.00. Mayor reported they put us off for 2 weeks and we are waiting to here from them.
- c. **Sidewalk bids**-Councilmember Grede motioned to suspend the rules and move to citizen comments for the Sidewalks. Mr. Lindman seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 5/0
 - a) **Roy Baker**-902 Walnut Ave.-He would like to know why we are putting sidewalks in? Councilmember Kinler stated it was for safety. Mayor stated there are a variety of reasons.
 - b) **Mike Savu**-137 Falltime Dr.-He thought the sidewalk was costing \$50,000. He wanted clarification of the costs of the Sidewalk. Mayor stated the grant is a matching grant 80/20.

Our part is the 20% construction, plus a 1% fee for ARDOT, and engineering fees.

- c) **Lynn Nickels**-102 Swiss Lane- Ms. Nickels stated as a council member, she voted against the sidewalks. She did not know there was more than 1 phase of the sidewalk.
- d) **Jim Kuchenbecker**- 112 Edgewood- He stated comments about 2 accidents that has taken place on Hwy 178. He also stated this community does not want the sidewalks.
- e) **Russ Meinking**-210 Lakeview Dr.-He stated he has a strong construction background in Kansas and gave his comments about just having one bid.
- f) **Jamie Peveato**- -She would like to know what the purpose of the sidewalks? Mr. Kinler stated it is for safety. Mayor Nixon stated there are more reasons.
- g) **Keith Hilburn** -Have you have an assessment of the sidewalks? Mayor Nixon stated we have an engineer that has taken care of this.
- h) Mr. McBee motioned to read and act upon Resolution 2022-06 which is titled "A Resolution expressing the willingness of the City of Bull Shoals to accept construction bid" (Phase 1). Mr. Kinler seconded. Mayor Nixon read the entire resolution. A roll call vote was taken, and everyone said yes except for Joey Grede. 4/1 The motion carries.
- i) Mr. Kinler motioned to read and act upon Resolution 2022-07 which is titled "A Resolution expressing the willingness of the City of Bull Shoals to Utilize Federal-Aid Transportation Alternative program funds" (Phase 2). Mr. McBee seconded. Mayor Nixon read the entire resolution. A roll call vote was taken, and everyone said yes except Joey Grede. 4/1 The motion carries.
- j) Phase 3 of the Sidewalks has been tabled.

VII. New Business

- a. **Spring Clean Up**-The streets department are working on the chipping and about half is done.
- b. **Lake Front Access**-687.6 ft.-Mayor Nixon stated the purpose of the Corp of Engineers. He also stated the water levels over the past few years has been high. He stated the power companies have been requested to drop the water level. The bottom road at Point Return is blocked off because it has been under water the past two years. He stated due to the high water, there is no place to park. Mayor requested the council to wait to pursue funding any further action pending on the Corp of Engineers. It will not be at Point Return.

VIII. Citizen Comments-

- a. **Bruce Powell**-126 Kingwood Circle-He asked if we could sunset the \$5.40 maintenance fee on the water bill being we are paying off the water bond in June. Mayor stated we can run the numbers by the next workshop in June.
- b. **Jim Kuchenbecker**-112 Edgewood Dr.- He wants to give credit to the council and mayor for their work on the high water ramp. He also stated that people should communicate with their congress officials.
- c. **Mike Savu**-137 Falltime Dr.-He reiterated Mr. Kuchenbecker's statement.
- d. **Keith Hilburn**-107 Hardtime Circle- He commented that he cannot get sewer or water to our property or other services.
- e. **Russ Meinking**-210 Lakeview Dr.- He asked about the Ordinance on rubbish, grass, and debris. Mayor Nixon stated we have a part-time code enforcement officer. He also suggested to come in the office and file a complaint.
- f. **Blake Wess**-703 Woodland-What are the pre-existing issues giving ground for the inspection at the Village Mart property on the condition of Condemnation? Mayor stated, "This is a matter before the courts and I am not going to discuss in an open public meeting."
- g. **Mike Savu**-137 Falltime Dr.- He asked about annexation that was on the workshop agenda. Mayor Nixon we have not yet gotten that prepared.

- h. **Jeff Garner-1207** ?- He asked what do you do if you have filed a complaint and nothing gets done. Mayor stated to come in and talk to him. He also asked about the leash law. Mayor referred him to Chief Ainsworth.

IX. Adjournment-

Mr. Kinler motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Giannini seconded. The motion carried and Mayor Nixon adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Minutes submitted by Tina Bailey *Tina M. Bailey 6/28/22*

Minutes approved by: [Name] *David L. [Signature]*

