

Bull Shoals City Council

Meeting Minutes

June 29, 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 June 29, 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, Wesley Phelan, and Dale Forbus. Ms. Bailey announced we have a quorum to conduct business.

II. Minutes – Mayor Savu asked if everyone had read the regular May 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 May 31, 2023 are \$2,423,983, up \$125,571 from a year ago. City sales tax collections for May were \$42,368, which are down \$441, from last May. Sales tax collections for the first five months are \$181,655 against last years \$178,514. That is an improvement of \$3,141. Total income for the city for May was \$255,038, which is up \$7,328 from a year ago. Total expenses over that same time frame are \$147,696, resulting in a net income of \$107,341. That is an improvement of \$8,568 from last years net income in May. Total income for the time period ending May 31, 2023 is \$1,178,458 which is up from last years \$1,036,783, which is up \$141,675. Total expenses over the same time frame are \$884,877 versus \$831,891 for 2022. That's up \$52,986 from last year. Net income through the first five months is \$293,581, against last years net income of \$204,891, an improvement of \$88,690. Mr. Lindman motioned to accept the treasurer's report and Mr. Castanga seconded. The motion carried.

IV. Department Reports -

- a. Police**- Chief John Ainsworth stated the report stands as submitted and is attached. We are extremely short handed. He stated the pool of officers are small and the surrounding areas are paying more. Mayor Savu introduced and thanked the part-time officer Jacob Zappa for helping out. The new police car is here and is in use.
- b. Fire**-Chief Brent Mitchell was absent and Mayor Savu stated the report stands as submitted and is attached.

- c. **Public Works-** The reports are submitted as written and are attached. Mayor Savu stated they have been working on trees hanging over the roads. They are also trying to keep the parks in order. Mayor Savu also stated we will be getting new signs for the Brown's Beach Dock and a designated swim area.

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

- V. **Commission Reports-Planning & Zoning Commission-** Chairman Carol Duss stated there was no meeting.

VI. **Citizen Comments (related to agenda)-**

- a. **Phil Frieze-**He stated to reconsider the law suit with the village mart because we will have nothing afterwards.

VII. **Continuing Business –**

- a. **City Attorney-**Mr. Forbus motioned to appoint William King from the Strother Law Firm as the City Attorney and Mr. Grede seconded. There was a discussion about a 6 month trial and Mr. King stated he did not have an issue. There was a roll call vote taken and Mr. Castagna, Mr. Lindman, Mr. Grede, and Mr. Forbus voted yes. Mr. Giannini and Mr. Phelan voted no. The motioned carried. 4/2
- b. **Old Village Mart-**August 8, 2023 is the court date. There was discussion of the councilmembers about having a Town Hall meeting and hearing from the people. The topic has been moved to the next workshop.
- c. **Ordinance 2023-**, titled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BULL SHOALS TO ESTABLISH PARKING REGULATIONS BY SIGNAGE AND THE COLLECTION OF FINES AND PENALTIES IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF BULL SHOALS". Mayor Savu asked to invoke the emergency clause in order to erect signage as soon as possible because we are in the height of the summer swim season. Mr. Grede motioned suspend the rules and to read by title only and Mr. Forbus seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mayor Savu read the Ordinance 2023-02 by title only for the first reading. Mr. Grede motioned and Mr. Forbus seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mr. Grede motioned to

suspend the rules and have all three readings tonight and Mr. Castagna seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mayor Savu read by title only for the second reading. Mr. Grede motioned and Mr. Lindman seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mayor Savu read by title only for the third reading. Mr. Grede motioned and Mr. Lindman seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 The motion carried and the Ordinance was titled Ordinance 2023-02 and is attached.

- d. Ordinance 2023-**, titled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BULL SHOALS TO ESTABLISH PARKING REGULATIONS BY SIGNAGE AND THE COLLECTION OF FINES AND PENALTIES IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF BULL SHOALS”. Mayor Savu asked to invoke the emergency clause in order to erect signage as soon as possible. Mr. Lindman made the motion to suspend the rules and read by title only and Mr. Forbus seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mayor Savu read the ordinance for the first reading. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mr. Castagna motioned to have all three readings tonight and Mr. Lindman seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mayor Savu read the ordinance for the second reading. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 Mayor Savu read the ordinance for the third reading. Mr. Grede motioned and Mr. Forbus seconded. A roll call vote was taken and everyone said yes. 6/0 The motion carried and the Ordinance was titled Ordinance 2023-03 and is attached.

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

- a. Tim Curtis-** He thanked Mr. Doshier for the report. He also thanked the councilmembers for getting the job done tonight.
- b. Meryl Fawcett-** He wanted to know if we have a noise ordinance? Chief Ainsworth stated he will look into other neighboring cities.
- c. Keith Hilburn-**He asked about the power lines on 178 across from the Eastwald Brothers and the Arvest Bank building are hanging very low.
- d. Brenna Farrell-** She would like to know if the chicken issue ordinance will be at the next meeting.

IX. Adjournment-

Mr. Forbus motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Grede seconded. The motion carried and Mayor Michael Savu adjourned the meeting at 7:20 PM.

Minutes submitted by Tina Bailey

Mayor Michael Savu Tina M. Bailey
7/27/2023