

Bull Shoals City Council

Meeting Minutes

February 29, 2024

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 February 29, 2024 at 706 CS Woods Blvd., 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: Joey Grede, Michael Castagna, Wesley Phelan, Daryl Lindman, Dale Forbus, and Dino Giannini. Ms. Bailey announced we have a quorum to conduct business.

II. Minutes – Mayor Savu asked if everyone had read the January minutes. Mr. Grede motioned to accept the minutes. Mr. Forbus seconded. Everyone said yes. The motion carried. 6/0

III. Treasurer Report-Mr. Doshier was absent and Mayor Savu read the report which stated the bank reconciliation balances as of January 31, 2024 are \$2,941,063, up \$402,322 from a year ago. City sales tax collections for January were \$34,286 which are up \$1,638 from last January. Total income for the city for January was \$226,586, which is up \$41,344 from a year ago. Total expenses over that same time frame are \$288,998, versus last years \$172,277. This results in a net loss of \$62,413 for January, which is down from a gain of \$12,965, January 2023. Capital improvements of \$50,918 were present that would have led to the increased expenses for 2024. That was a check to Tom Davenport Concrete. Mr. Lindman motioned to accept the treasurer's report and Mr. Phelan seconded. Everyone said yes except for Mr. Grede. The motion carried. 5/0

IV. Department Reports -

- a. Police**- Chief John Ainsworth was absent and Officer Patterson stated the report stands as submitted and is attached. Mr. Grede would like to know where we stand with a code enforcement officer.
- b. Fire**-Chief Brent Mitchell stated the report stands as submitted and is attached. He stated the hydrant testing will begin mid-April. He stated they will begin commercial business inspections in about 2 weeks.

- c. **Animal Control**-Phil Lukes was recognized for helping a citizen with his animal. His work was awarded for identifying an elderly man that was very sick and helped him get needed services.
- d. **Public Works**- Mayor Savu stated the reports are submitted as written and are attached.

Mr. Lindman motioned to accept all the reports and Mr. Castagna seconded. The reports were approved. The motion carried. 6/0

Mr. Castagna motioned to allow a citizen to speak about the speed humps and Mr. Grede seconded. Mr. Bill Howell spoke about the speed humps for his subdivision during the tourist season to slow people down. Mayor Savu mentioned speed cushions. Mr. Grede made a recommendation to borrow a couple before purchase.

- V. **Commission Reports**-Planning & Zoning Commission- Carol Duss stated there was not a meeting and therefore there was no report.

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

- a. **Phil Friese**-He stated there are continuing issues and suggest applications before deciding to appoint a Treasurer.
- b. **Bill Stahlman**-He would like to know what the salary is going to be for the position of treasurer?
- c. **Kevin Hutchinson**- He asked about the refund of the sidewalk.
- d. **Brenna Ferrell**-She would like to know why a service bed is being placed on the Solid Waste Truck. She also would like to replace the decals on the Service Trucks.

VII. **Continuing Business** –

- a. **Resolution 2024-R-01-Knapheide Service Body Solid Waste Truck**- Mayor Savu read the resolution in its entirety. Mr. Lindman motioned to approve the resolution and Mr. Grede seconded. Everyone said yes except for Mr. Castagna. The motion carried. 5/0
- b. **Resolution 2024-R-02- CenterPoint Accounting Software.**- Mayor Savu read the resolution in its entirety. Mr. Lindman motioned to approve the resolution and Mr. Phelan seconded. Everyone said yes. The motion carried. 6/0

- c. **Resolution 2024-R-03 Appointment of City Treasurer-** Mayor Savu read the resolution in its entirety. Mr. Lindman motioned to accept the resolution and Mr. Phelan seconded. Mr. Grede voted no. Mr. Giannini voted yes. Mr. Lindman voted yes. Mr. Castagna voted yes. Mr. Phelan voted yes. Mr. Forbus voted no. The motion carried.
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VIII. Citizen Comments- (to 3 minutes per citizen wishing to speak)

- a. **Steve Duss-** He asked why there was not discussion between the council before the meeting before tonight.
- b. **Linda Fawcett-**She reminded the council about asking for an audit before appointing the Treasurer.
- c. **Brenna Ferrell-**She read a letter about her charges.
- d. **Charles Ferrell-**He finished the letter from Brenna Farrell.
- e. **Paula Flippin-**She would like a light installed outside of City Hall.

IX. Adjournment-

Mr. Lindman motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Forbus seconded. The motion carried and Mayor Michael Savu adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.

Minutes submitted by Tina Bailey