

Minutes  
Bluff City Board of Mayor and Aldermen  
Regular Meeting  
June 7, 2022

Mayor Bowling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present were Carol Keith, Sandra Madison, and Jeff Broyles.

Prayer was given by Jeff Broyles, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Ben Adams arrived at 6:01 p.m.

Mayor Bowling opened the floor for the following:

Mayor Bowling reported that Matter & Craig were scheduled to be there but changed it to come to the next meeting.

Alderman Eric Ward arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Citizen Comments

Jerry Malone of Smith Street stated a person moved into Bluff City last week from Arizona. I met him and asked if everything was going good. He said yes, something I experienced I did not know. I went to City Hall and I found out you could talk to people and they were really nice to me. Mr Malone stated you can pass it on down. I thought that was a real compliment.

Julie Venable of 209 Smith Street Ext. asked do we have an annual contract with Mattern & Craig. Mayor Bowling stated we have a contract with them. Ms Venable stated does it ever expire. Mayor Bowling stated not as I know of. Ms Venable voiced concern over the engineers coming back and requesting more money on projects. Mayor Bowling stated actually it is the contractors asking for more money, it is not him.

Discussion / Action – Special Called Meeting Minutes for April 11, April 26 and May 4, 2022

Motion to approve the above mentioned meetings was made by Alderman Adams. Second by Vice Mayor Broyles. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Keith – Yes, Alderwoman Madison – Yes, Vice Mayor Broyles – Yes, and Alderman Adams – Yes. Motion carried

Discussion / Action – Public Hearing and Second Reading on Ordinance 2022-004 to amend the Bluff City Municipal Code 4-214 Regarding Holiday Leave

City Attorney Paul Frye read the ordinance which adds Juneteenth as a Legal Holiday. Public Hearing opened at 6:06. There were no comments. Hearing closed at 6:07.

Motion to approve on Second Reading was made by Vice Mayor Broyles. Second by Alderman Adams. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Keith – Yes, Alderwoman Madison – Yes, Vice Mayor Broyles – Yes, Alderman Ward – Yes and Alderman Adams – Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion / Action – Public Hearing and Second Reading on Ordinance 2022-005 to Amend Ordinance 2021-008 Known as the Appropriations Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022

City Attorney Paul Frye read the ordinance which allows for the purchase of a storage building at a cost of \$10,840. Public Hearing opened at 6:09. There were no comments. Public Hearing closed at 6:10. Motion to approve on Second Reading was made by Vice Mayor Broyles. Second by Alderwoman Keith. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Keith – Yes, Alderwoman Madison – Yes, Vice Mayor Broyles – Yes, Alderman Ward – Yes and Alderman Adams – Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion / Action – Contract Between First Tn. Development District and City of Bluff City, Tennessee for Local Planning Advisory Services

City Attorney Paul Frye stated the contract amount is \$8,536.00 and is split into 2 payments. Motion to approve was made by Alderman Ward. Second by Vice Mayor Broyles. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Keith – Yes, Alderwoman Madison – Yes, Vice Mayor Broyles – Yes, Alderman Ward – Yes and Alderman Adams – Yes. Motion carried

Discussion / Action – TCRS Employer Contribution Rate Certification 3% for July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Broyles, Second by Alderman Ward. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Keith – Yes, Alderwoman Madison – Yes, Vice Mayor Broyles – Yes, Alderman Ward – Yes and Alderman Adams – Yes. Motion carried

No Financial Report

Report from Mayor

Mayor Bowling stated we have already talked to Mattern & Craig and Thomas Construction is wanting to raise their price. The price is \$133,374.99. Instead of doing 1300 feet of pipe they are going to do 1000 feet of pipe for that price.

Mayor Bowling stated on the garage pump station on Railroad Street (Project 3) was previously \$429,125.00 and they raised it to \$512,985.00. I have the engineers working on this to see if they

can get the price lowered. I have called Thomas Construction and they said they had to have that due to gas prices and labor prices.

Mayor Bowling stated the engineers will be coming next week to finalize the design of the booster pump station on Chinquapin Grove Road. Mayor Bowling stated there was no price increase in that project.

Lady from audience (Carolyn Payne) asked if the scope of work had been changed on Thomas Construction's contract. Mayor Bowling stated not yet. Mrs Payne voiced concern about the contractors.

Report from City Attorney – Paul Frye – Mr Frye stated he had no report.

#### Comments from Board Members

Alderman Keith thanked everyone for coming. Mrs Keith voiced concern about Thomas Construction. Mrs Keith stated citizens have been calling her complaining about this and that. I don't know what goes on in that office over there, but we need to get involved and find out, because this is a business and I want everybody treated fair. Alderman Keith stated to City Attorney Paul Frye, if salaried people work 50 hours or 5 hours, they still get the same pay, is that correct. Mr Frye stated correct, there is an expectation of working. Mayor Bowling stated Carol you made 2 appointments with me to come down and talk about some things you were concerned about and you canceled both times. Mrs Keith stated you know why, before I got home it was in the office that you told everything I said. Mayor Bowling stated I did not.

Alderman Madison thanked everyone for coming. Ms Madison stated I agree with Ms Payne and Julie.

Vice Mayor Broyles thanked everyone for coming,

Alderman Ward thanked everyone for coming, and wished everyone a Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Alderman Adams thanked everyone for being here and participating.

#### Report from Chief of Police – Greg Depew

Chief Depew presented the monthly report. (SEE ATTACHED)

Chief Depew reported that they are back to a full staff and things are going good. Detective Smith has attended a 40 hour detective school. Chief Depew thanked the board for allowing him and the

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Deputy Chief to attend the Chief's Association Meeting. It is very productive. Chief Depew stated we give the Sergeant, or the Detective a chance to step up and take a bigger role and more responsibility for a few days. We are very confident in our guys.

#### Report from Public Works Supervisor – Allen Moultrie

Mr Moultrie presented his monthly report. (SEE ATTACHED)

Mr Moultrie reported that the pump stations are operating with no issues. Mr Moultrie stated I met with Lord and Company today at the booster station and they are going to draw up some specs. They will be changing it from single phase to 3phase. Mayor Bowling stated you and your guys are doing a good job Allen.

#### Report from Water Plant Operator – Terry Banner

Mr Banner presented his monthly report. (SEE ATTACHED)

Mr Banner stated we were able to maintain 40 to 50 feet in the tank. All samples have been sent to the state. One of the turbidity meters is messed up and they are coming to work on it. Allen Moultrie stated that all the turbidity meters they have were installed when the plant was built. They are obsolete. Mr Banner stated it is easier to replace them than to buy a part because the part may cost 3 times what a new one would cost.

No County Commissioners were present.

#### Old Business

Alderwoman Keith asked the Mayor if he was sure that they do not have to step foot onto the Moore's property. Mayor Bowling stated that the contractor said they did not have to get on the Moore's property at all. He already has the materials bought and is waiting for the yard to dry up before they start. Mrs Keith asked how the swings were coming. Mayor Bowling stated all that stuff is ordered and should be here by the end of this month or first of July.

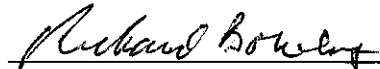
#### New Business

Alderwoman Keith stated remember when I asked you guys about doing evaluations. Mrs Keith asked when they could get together to do a workshop to talk about evaluations. Mayor Bowling stated we are waiting on Sharon to finish the budget. Mrs Keith stated the department heads can do it then bring it to you and if there is a problem, then you can reach out to the Board. We are looking at each department's budget.

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Mrs Keith stated we have been talking about the evaluations for a long time. Mayor Bowling stated we are working on that now.

With no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Alderwoman Keith. Second by Alderwoman Madison. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Keith – Yes, Alderwoman Madison – Yes, Vice Mayor Broyles – Yes, Alderman Ward – Yes and Alderman Adams – Yes. Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

  
Richard Bowling, Mayor / City Manager

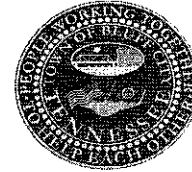
Attest this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022

  
Sharon Greene, Recorder / CMFO



# Bluff City Police Department

## MONTHLY REPORT



2022

May

Year

Month

NUMBER OF:	CITY	PINEY	COUNTY	TOTAL
CALLS FOR ASSISTANT(S)	98	104	0	202
ISSUED CITATION(S)	105	113	0	218
WARNING CITATION(S)	58	47	0	105
PATROLED MILE(S)	3285	3142	0	6427
ARREST(S)	12	16	0	28
OFFENSE REPORT(S)	14	10	0	24
ALARM(S)	4	5	3	12
ACCIDENTS	5	6	0	11
ANIMAL CALL(S)	1	1	0	2
MSD REPORT(S)	14	10	0	24
FUNERAL ESCORT(S)	1	1	0	2
DOMESTIC ASSAULT(S)	3	3	0	6
VEHICLE SEIZURE(S)	0	0	0	0
MISSING PERSON(S)	0	0	0	0
D.U.I.(S)	2	1	0	3
DRUG VIOLATION(S)	7	4	0	11
USE OF FORCE REPORT(S)	0	0	0	0

Approved by: Chief Depew

*Chief In Depew*

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May Water Plant Report

In the month of May, the plant maintained an average water level in the tank of 45-50 feet and ran normally overall.

May 11- Two backwashes were completed on Filter #2 and Clarifier #2

May 12- The water plant was shut down due to a power outage.

May 14- The water plant was shut down from 10:17 to 10:45pm due to power outage

May 17- Water plant shut down at 12:07am. Restored at 12:34 am

May 18- Cleared Turbidimeter on Finish water from 2:20-2:32 pm. The power was also off at 2:10 pm for a few minutes.

May 19- Got backwash sample and BT on Whitehead , 2 samples due to the leak.

May 23-Got SOC samples and sodium and Nitrate after 1" rain.

May 25- Backwash on Clarifier 1

May 27-Turbidity got very high, so had to shut down the plant from 7:05 pm to May 31 at 9:31 am.