

Bluff City Board of Mayor and Aldermen
Regular Meeting
March 4, 2024

Mayor Broyles called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Members present were Lori Staton, Carol Keith, and Lisa Arnold

Ben Adams was absent

Prayer was given by Carol Keith, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Greg Depew

Mayor Broyles opened the floor for the following:

Recognitions, Proclamations, and Awards

Mayor Broyles presented 2 police officers with a certificate of promotion. Mayor Broyles promoted Dalton Rogers from the rank of Patrol Officer to Detective. Chief Depew spoke saying we are very proud of him and he is a real asset. Mayor Broyles promoted Tim Boling to the rank of Corporal. Chief Depew stated Mr Boling has been on many calls and his skills are really high.

First Session of Public Comments

Carolyn Payne of 4818 Bluff City Hwy voiced concern about the 3 previous meetings not being posted. Mrs Payne voiced concern about reasons for Special Called Meetings, asking the Board to look into it.

Discussion / Action – 2022-2023 Audit Report from Rodefer and Moss

Curtis (with Rodefer and Moss) stated that he can make this short and sweet because there is not a lot of findings, as in there's none. Curtis said there are some things that changed. Your financial statement for year ending June 30, 2023 reflected your net position did increase which is a good sign. There were no exceptions found, which is good. If you look at the paperwork it will show you are high risk. This is because you have to have 2 consecutive years going into a 3rd year with no findings to be a low risk. This is because of working with Federal Programs you have to have Single Audits, and you have not had a Single Audit every year for the last 2 years. Curtis stated all in all I think it was a very good report and again a lot of it goes to Sharon. She is doing a great job. Vice Mayor Keith stated so you are saying there are no findings. Curtis stated that is correct. Mayor Broyles stated we greatly value our partnership with your firm. You have always been professional with us.

Discussion / Action – Second Reading and Public Hearing – Ordinance 2024-001

City Attorney Paul Frye read the ordinance which is to Create a Four Way Stop at the Intersection of Main Street, Holston Drive and Summit Drive. Public Hearing opened at 6:32 p.m. Julie Venable of 209 Smith Street Ext. stated I have no problem with changing it to a four-way stop. Ms Venable stated that they had discussed it before and she remembered that the State had said if they did that, there would be some Grants they would no longer be able to get. Ms Venable stated I am assuming you have looked into that and they might have changed the law. With no other

comments, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:33 p.m. Motion to approve on Second Reading was made by Vice Mayor Keith. Second by Alderwoman Arnold. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Staton – Yes, Vice Mayor Keith – Yes, and Alderwoman Arnold – Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion / Action: First Reading – Ordinance 2024-002

City Attorney Paul Frye read the ordinance which is an Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 2023-005 Known as the Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024. (Water / Sewer Fund) Mayor Broyles stated this would be used to purchase a new Sewer Jetter at the cost of \$68,259.33 as this was the winning bid of the three quotes. Motion to approve was made by Alderwoman Arnold. Second by Vice Mayor Keith. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Staton – Yes, Vice Mayor Keith – Yes, and Alderwoman Arnold – Yes. Motion carried.

Discussion / Action: First Reading – Ordinance 2024-003

City Attorney Paul Frye read the ordinance which is an Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 2023-005, Known as the Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024. (General Fund) Mr Frye reported that it was Line Item 110 and the change was \$1,655,900.00. Mayor Broyles stated this is the towns investment with the Networks Partnership and \$11,000.00 for purchase of land. Vice Mayor Keith made a motion to Postpone and take it back to a workshop. Second by Alderwoman Staton. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Staton – Yes, Vice Mayor Keith – Yes, and Alderwoman Arnold – Yes. Motion carried.

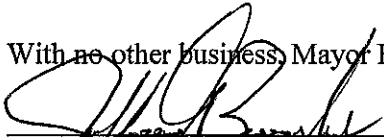
Discussion / Action: Acceptance of a TDOT Grant of up to \$10,200.00

Mayor Broyles explained that the Grant was for Signage and Striping at the Railroad Crossing At Holston Drive. This is a reimbursable grant. The Town would bid this out and actually pay for the project and be fully reimbursed, without deduction, from the Tennessee Department of Transportation. Motion to approve was made by Alderwoman Staton. Second by Vice Mayor Keith. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Staton – Yes, Vice Mayor Keith – Yes, and Alderwoman Arnold – Yes. Motion carried.


Discussion / Action – Second Session Citizens Comments

Carolyn Payne 4818 Bluff City Hwy. stated I hope it is not the plan to discontinue posting videos because I was interested in asking why they can't be live streamed. Ms Payne voiced concern about the 3.5 million dollar loan we are paying. Ms Payne asked if they could get an update on that.

With no other business, Mayor Broyles closed the meeting at 6:41 p.m.


Jeff Broyles, Mayor / City Manager

Attest this 4th day of March, 2024


Sharon Greene, Recorder / CMFO