Minutes Bluff City Board of Mayor and Aldermen Special Called Meeting May 13, 2024

Mayor Broyles called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

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

Prayer was given by Jeff Broyles, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Lt. Shane Watson

Mayor Broyles opened the floor for the following:

First Session of Citizen Comment

Julie Venable of 209 Smith St. Ext. stated in 2023 you all did accept taking money from the County for the parks. I don't know why you are going to give it up because it is free money and you say we are probably going to have to hire a contractor to do the work down there. It makes sense to take the money as we don't have to pay it back.

David Harmon of 200 Holston Dr. stated I came down here one night and asked Ms Madison where she lived. I left and went to Piney Flats and someone was following me I don't think she should have been voting on anything.

Carolyn Payne of 4818 Bluff City Hwy voiced concern about the City's Work Sessions as they do not have a detailed Agenda, nor do we require a quorum. We don't produce minutes of meetings. Ms Payne stated she had some information from Bristol and Kingsport, if the Board members want to view it. Ms Payne voiced concern about the vacant seat on the Board.

Discussion / Action: Resolution 2024-014

City Attorney Paul Frye read the resolution which is to make Budget Amendments for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024. Mr Frye stated that inter-fund transfers are outlined in Exhibit 1 of this Resolution. Mayor Broyles explained the proposed amendments. Vice Mayor Keith asked about the resolution and Mayor Broyles explained that it had nothing to do with the upcoming budget. Vice Mayor Keith said she would address the questions she had at a workshop. Mayor Broyles stated I do plan on scheduling a Budget Work session for this upcoming Monday. Motion to approve was made by Alderwoman Arnold. Second by Alderman Adams. Vote went as follows: Alderwoman Staton – Yes, Vice Mayor Keith – Abstained, Alderman Adams – Yes and Alderwoman Arnold – Yes. Motion carried.

Second Session of Public Comments

Carolyn Payne of 4818 Bluff City Hwy asked if any of the Board members are going to follow up on why Kingsport and Bristol both require a detailed agenda, require a quorum and provide minutes of meetings at workshops. Ms Payne asked if all the board members had completed

their 12 hours of Utility Training. Mayor Broyles stated you are confusing policy with the law. Vice Mayor Keith stated I have completed 18 hours of training. The Mayor did inform us that we needed to complete that.

Jerry Malone of 372 Smith Street thanked the board for their donation to the Museum. Mr Malone stated that the children from the Elementary School will be at the museum tomorrow. Mr Malone gave a briefing on upcoming things for the museum.

Julie Venable of 209 Smith St. Ext. had questions about the Mayor saying that he would talk to a citizen after the meeting.

Vice Mayor Keith thanked everyone for being there. I would like to thank my fellow board members. I would like to thank our Mayor. Ms Keith stated in reference to Sandra Madison, she did live at that house at that time and the officers delivered packets at that time.

With no-other business, Mayor Broyles adjourned the meeting at 6:55 pm.

Jeff Broyles, Mayor / City Manager

Attest this 13th day of May, 2024

Sharon Greene, Recorder / CMFO