

In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, the news media and the public *were notified of the time, date, and place along with a copy of the agenda of this meeting and a notice was posted on the outdoor bulletin board at the Batesburg-Leesville Town Hall and the Town's website no later than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.*

PUBLIC HEARING

January 9, 2022

Mayor Shull opened the first Public Hearing at 7:00 pm to receive citizen input on **Ordinance for to sale town owned property located along East Columbia Avenue.** There was no public input. Mayor Shull closed the hearing at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Shull opened the second Public Hearing at 7:00 pm to receive citizen input on **Ordinance to amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Budget for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville.** There was no public input. Mayor Shull closed the hearing at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Shull opened the third Public Hearing at 7:00 pm to receive citizen input on **Ordinance to repeal and replace Title 5 Chapter 2 Section 1 Subsections (b) an d(c) of the Town's General Code of Ordinances Relating to Building Regulations.** There was no public input. Mayor Shull closed the hearing at 7:01 pm.

COUNCIL MEETING

A Council Meeting for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville, held in Building B of the Town Hall Complex, was called to order by Mayor Shull at 7:01 P. M. Members present were Mayor Shull, Council Member Brown, Cain (arrived at 7:05 pm), Lemon, Wise, Prouse, and Hall.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Pastor Barry Epps of Stillwater Baptist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Mayor Lancer Shull.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Lemon to approve the agenda. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 6 Approved 0 Denied

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Hall with a second by Council Member Lemon to adopt the minutes from the December 12, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 6 Approved 0 Denied

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Shull reported the next Regular Council Meeting will be February 13, 2023.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS – Council Member Hall

Council Member Hall reported there was no meeting in December.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & ADVISORY COMMITTEE (E. P. A. C.)
Council Member Prouse**

Council Member Prouse reported there was no meeting in November.

(Council Member Cain arrives at 7:05 om)

THE COMET ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Council Member Cain

Council Member Cain reported that the Lexington County delegation is working on service plans for the area.

JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER COMMISSION – Mayor Shull

Mayor Shull stated there was no meeting in December.

B-L CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – Mike Taylor, Executive Director

- Reported that they elected three new directors; Ashley Leaphart, Katherine Perry and Darron Long.
- Law Enforcement Appreciation Day was January 9th and the Chamber presented gift cards to Batesburg-Leesville Police Officers in appreciation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. **Second Reading – Ordinance for to sale town owned property located along East Columbia Avenue.** A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Wise to approve. Without discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 6 Approved 1 Denied (Cain)

B. **Second Reading - Ordinance to amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Budget for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville.** A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Wise to approve. Without discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 6 Approved 1 Denied (Cain)

C. **Second Reading - Ordinance to repeal and replace Title 5 Chapter 2 Section 1 Subsections (b) and (c) of the Town's General Code of Ordinances Relating to Building Regulations.** A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Hall to approve. Without discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7 Approved 0 Denied

NEW BUSINESS

A. **First Reading – Ordinance for to Rezone property located at 128 West church Street consisting of 1.01 acres from C-1 "General Commercial" to C-2 "Office and Institutional Commercial" (TMS #005900-07-008).** No motion was made.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Ted Luckadoo
PROJECT UPDATES

- Due to weather and delays on finishing another job, J&H Grading and Paving has been delayed on starting their repair/replacement of sidewalks along Summerland Avenue. We reached out to them this past week and they feel it will be about 2 weeks before they get here.
- AOS Specialty Contractors have continued work on the new sidewalks along Church Street. They have had multiple crews in town working and have gotten a majority of the sidewalks poured at this point. They still have a fair amount left to go.
- With regards to the I/I improvement project, the Notice to Proceed was issued last week for work to begin as early as today. Substantial completion has been set for October 6, 2023 with final closeout set for November 6th. We will have a pre-construction meeting within the next week or so and work will not begin prior to that meeting.
- To date, everything has been installed and is operating wonderfully with regards to the headworks project and aeration project. Up next is the liquid chemical feed project, which Council awarded at the last meeting. Hopefully those improvements will begin prior to the end of the month.

TOWN FINANCIAL/BUDGET UPDATE

Monthly Account Balances for Fiscal Year 2022/2023

	Dec-22	Nov-22	Oct-22	Sep-22	Aug-22	Jul-22
General Fund Checking	\$ 906,304.20	\$ 1,072,932.64	\$ 1,237,960.97	\$ 1,474,661.60	\$ 2,054,627.16	\$ 2,385,182.86
General Fund Savings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Police Donations	\$ 17,992.41	\$ 22,650.68	\$ 19,622.49	\$ 19,622.49	\$ 19,622.49	\$ 19,232.29
Fire Department 1%	\$ 31,926.00	\$ 32,669.10	\$ 35,154.32	\$ 24,605.75	\$ 24,934.71	\$ 21,259.67
Municipal Court	\$ 37,314.74	\$ 38,235.99	\$ 38,616.08	\$ 45,546.85	\$ 55,852.11	\$ 41,418.46
Victims Assistance	\$ 8,489.42	\$ 7,886.52	\$ 7,499.80	\$ 6,659.04	\$ 5,751.91	\$ 5,321.70
Total (Non-Utility Funds)	\$ 1,002,026.77	\$ 1,174,374.93	\$ 1,338,853.66	\$ 1,571,095.73	\$ 2,160,788.38	\$ 2,472,414.98
Utility Fund Checking	\$ 362,932.59	\$ 385,406.30	\$ 396,457.33	\$ 385,171.49	\$ 361,937.66	\$ 350,045.05
Utility Fund Reserve	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,884.18
Capital Improvement Project/Impact Fe	\$ 2,093,036.01	\$ 2,064,548.86	\$ 2,157,109.56	\$ 2,105,411.14	\$ 2,099,424.59	\$ 2,047,726.17
USDA Debt Service Reserve	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44
American Rescue Plan Funds	\$ 1,952,556.09	\$ 1,965,053.07	\$ 1,978,559.42	\$ 841,471.38	\$ 841,471.38	\$ 841,471.38
2021 Infrastructure Revenue Bond	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 1,219,804.41	\$ 1,392,817.60	\$ 1,392,817.60	\$ 1,392,817.60
Total (All Utility Funds)	\$ 3,788,708.39	\$ 3,782,694.95	\$ 3,886,306.68	\$ 3,823,322.42	\$ 3,794,102.04	\$ 3,730,506.84
Hospitality Tax Checking	\$ 794,410.12	\$ 727,019.08	\$ 757,986.99	\$ 703,998.52	\$ 682,849.10	\$ 626,956.52
Total All Funds	\$ 5,585,145.28	\$ 5,684,088.96	\$ 5,983,147.33	\$ 6,098,416.67	\$ 6,637,739.52	\$ 6,829,878.34

Monthly Account Balances for October Since 2014

	Dec-22	Dec-21	Dec-20	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-17	Dec-16	Dec-15	Dec-14
General Fund Checking	\$ 906,304.20	\$ 1,096,802.21	\$ 874,897.00	\$ 563,841.61	\$ 634,357.84	\$ 785,086.49	\$ 735,895.08	\$ 575,748.24	\$ 565,567.25
General Fund Savings	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 37,351.55	\$ 43,401.55	\$ 43,401.55	\$ 158,645.07
Police Donations	\$ 17,992.41	\$ 8,786.15	\$ 5,155.06	\$ 11,594.21	\$ 11,080.07	\$ 11,280.68	\$ 10,331.96	\$ 11,010.89	\$ 10,045.49
Fire Department 1%	\$ 31,926.00	\$ 13,523.85	\$ 25,385.07	\$ 15,585.40	\$ 16,091.20	\$ 12,856.95	\$ 13,758.68	\$ 19,183.63	\$ 16,501.49
Municipal Court	\$ 37,314.74	\$ 35,955.70	\$ 29,942.02	\$ 35,935.29	\$ 30,817.79	\$ 30,799.02	\$ 27,518.46	\$ 30,038.31	\$ 29,790.70
Victims Assistance	\$ 8,489.42	\$ 891.90	\$ 349.79	\$ 465.85	\$ 77.63	\$ 235.22	\$ 288.81	\$ 175.40	\$ 146.19
Total (Non-Utility Funds)	\$ 1,002,026.77	\$ 1,155,959.81	\$ 935,728.94	\$ 664,773.91	\$ 729,776.08	\$ 877,609.91	\$ 831,194.54	\$ 679,558.02	\$ 780,696.19
Utility Fund Checking	\$ 362,932.59	\$ 260,520.24	\$ 408,886.93	\$ 261,399.12	\$ 427,768.26	\$ 403,910.28	\$ 578,474.79	\$ 208,741.46	\$ 68,998.40
Utility Fund Reserve	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,888.35	\$ 767,827.12	\$ 765,715.74	\$ 759,615.11	\$ 755,096.42	\$ 845,920.41	\$ 567,798.29	\$ 608,761.02
Capital Improvement Project/Impact Fe	\$ 2,093,036.01	\$ 1,688,018.28	\$ 1,512,698.79	\$ 1,467,856.57	\$ 1,096,787.25	\$ 484,527.85	\$ 35,961.72	\$ 13,049.72	\$ 7,188.72
USDA Debt Service Reserve	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,851.44	\$ 564,806.43	\$ 563,253.60	\$ 558,766.26	\$ 555,700.00	\$ 231,081.00	\$ 231,080.00	\$ 231,080.00
American Rescue Plan Funds	\$ 1,952,556.09	\$ 1,166,463.88	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ -	\$ -
2021 Infrastructure Revenue Bond	\$ 973,978.55	\$ 2,832,749.06	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 551.27	\$ 1,323.08	\$ 2,437.81	\$ 722.34	\$ 2,428.63
Total (All Utility Funds)	\$ 3,788,708.39	\$ 3,281,278.31	\$ 3,254,224.27	\$ 3,058,230.03	\$ 2,843,491.15	\$ 2,200,558.63	\$ 1,693,876.73	\$ 1,021,391.81	\$ 918,456.77
Hospitality Tax Checking	\$ 794,410.12	\$ 629,132.01	\$ 890,031.96	\$ 474,264.48					
Total All Funds	\$ 5,585,145.28	\$ 5,066,370.13	\$ 5,079,985.17	\$ 4,197,268.42	\$ 3,573,267.23	\$ 3,078,168.54	\$ 2,525,071.27	\$ 1,700,949.83	\$ 1,699,152.96

General Fund

Revenues/Expenses thru December 2022	Actual	Budget	% Budget
Operating Revenues	\$ 1,399,272.93	\$ 5,214,651.00	27%
Operating Expenses	\$ 2,666,726.93	\$ 5,214,651.00	51%

Utility Fund

Revenues/Expenses thru December 2022	Actual	Budget	% Budget
Operating Revenues	\$ 1,793,699.32	\$ 3,321,100.00	54%
Operating Expenses	\$ 1,841,226.30	\$ 3,321,100.00	55%

Victim's Assistance Fund

Revenues/Expenses thru December 2022	Actual	Budget	% Budget
Operating Revenues	\$ 5,135.37	\$ 7,500.00	68%
Operating Expenses	\$ 3,756.35	\$ 7,500.00	50%

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Hospitality Tax Fund

<u>Revenues/Expenses thru December 2022</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% Budget</u>
Operating Revenues	\$ 341,369.80	\$ 625,000.00	55%
Operating Expenses	\$ 124,810.96	\$ 625,000.00	20%

POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING – February 13, 2023


None

ADJOURNMENT

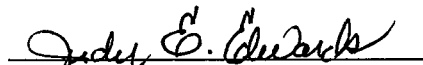
A motion was made by Council Member Hall with a second by Council Member Lemon to adjourn at 7:18 P. M. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 7 Approved 0 Denied

Approved this 13th day of February 13, 2023.


Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:


Judy Edwards, Town Clerk