

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Council Member Hall with a second by Council Member Gambrell to adopt the minutes from the May 9, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied 1 Abstained (Mitchell)

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Hall to adopt the minutes from the June 1, 2022 Work Session. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 8 Approved 0 Denied 1 Abstained (Mitchell)

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Shull reported the next Regular Council Meeting will be July 11, 2022.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS - Council Member Hall

Council Member Hall presented a summary of the May 26, 2022 meeting. He stated that the committee voted to Amend 2045LRTP to include additional funding for the Intermodal Transportation Hub with the site yet to be determined. This is a consolidation of the Greyhound bus station, rail station and The Comet hub in one location. The committee also heard a presentation from the nonprofit Brooklyn Lakeview Empowerment Center, and from Ms. Ancheta, the Director of the new SCDOT Office of Local Government Services. The committee also discussed Kershaw County's possible withdrawal from participation with CMCOG.

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

Council Member Prouse reported there was no meeting this month and the next scheduled meeting is July 20, 2022.

THE COMET ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Council Member Cain

Council Member Cain reported there was unable to attend the last meeting.

JOINT MUNICIPAL WATER/SEWER COMMISSION - Mayor Shull

Mayor Shull reported the commission's budget passed and is just shy of \$20,000,000.

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

Mike Taylor reported the following:

- The SCPF/Chamber golf tournament was a success on May 13th.
- The next major chamber event will be the Annual Auction on Saturday, August 20th at T&S Farm.
- Arts on the Ridge is planning a festival for arts on Sunday, October 23rd.
- At this month's Economic Development Meeting we learned that Lexington County has submitted a request for a grant from the S.C. Department of Commerce that would provide partial funding to clear, grub and grade a pad on lot 1 at the B-L Industrial Park. This would provide a shovel ready site.
- In recognition and to honor the many years of service to our community by Chief Wallace Oswald the B-L Chamber of Commerce and the Visitor's Center has provided a scholarship to Hannia Mendoza, a rising senior at B-L High School, to attend the Nathan M. Wolfe Law Enforcement Cadet Academy which will be held June 20-26 at the S.C. Criminal Justice Academy.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Second Reading - Ordinance Establishing Sanitation Rates for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville. A motion was made by Council Member Prouse to approve second reading of this ordinance. Second was made by Council Member Wise. There was no discussion.

VOTE: 7 Approved 1 Denied (Cain) 1 Abstained (Mitchell)

MANAGER'S REPORT – Jay Hendrix

Assistant Town Manager Hendrix reported the following:

- Introduced ne Police Chief Darren Amick. Amick began last week and is currently working with Chief Oswald and Assistant Chief Bouknight with the transition. Chief Amick has extensive experience in law enforcement, having served in his most notable roles with the Lexington County Sheriff's Department as Lieutenant of Narcotics/Task Force Commander, Captain/Region Commander, Captain/Headquarters Commander, and his final position with the sheriff's department as Major of Operations. During his career, he has also served as Chief Investigator with the 11th Circuit Solicitor's Office and an instructor for the SC Criminal Justice Academy. Chief Amick attended and graduated from the prestigious FBI National Academy.
- Event Update – Summer Movie Nights kicked off on June 10th with a crowd of between 90-100 for the movie Encanto at Leesville College Park.
- Project Updates –
 - Pine Street corner parking intersection widening took a big step over the past two weeks. The poles were removed from the intersection, and SCDOT crews worked last week to move the storm drain and pave the new turn lane. Highway 23 resurfacing is slated to begin this week and they will be going over the top of what they did last week while resurfacing so that it is all smooth. They are trying to decide if they are going to open the turn lane now or wait until resurfacing is done.
 - WWTP Improvement projects continue to make progress, the new screw pumps have been installed since the last council meeting, the new rotary press have been placed in the building, and a new roof put on the screw pump building. The headworks project is getting close to completion.
 - As for the JMWSC project, surveying has been completed and the engineers have received the files to begin laying out the route. The property for the water tank and pump station is close to being purchased and due diligence has been completed. Engineers have begun work on the site plan for that location. That work is being done between JMWSC and Hazen.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

POTENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING-July 11, 2022

Council Member Cain made the motion with a second from Council Member Speech-Lemon to add discussion on The Comet bus service.

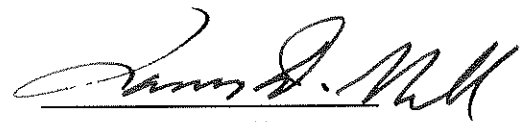
VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Hall with a second by Council Member Gambrell to adjourn at 7:43 P. M. With no discussion, a vote was taken.

VOTE: 9 Approved 0 Denied

Approved this 11th day of July 2022.



Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jay Hendrix, Assistant Town Manager

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO SELL PROPERTY OWNED BY TOWN OF BATESBURG-LEESVILLE LOCATED AT SHEALY ROAD, SALUDA COUNTY, LEESVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Batesburg-Leesville after due investigation and deliberation, has determined that, because of the signed agreement between the Town and Lexington County Municipal Joint Water Commission, that the Town of Batesburg-Leesville should sell certain real estate, located on Shealy Road, Saluda County, Leesville, South Carolina. Which was purchased for a water treatment plant; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received a written offer from Thomas N. Bagnall, to purchase the property for a purchase price of \$315,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Town believes that this offer is appropriate and the best offer made to the Town.

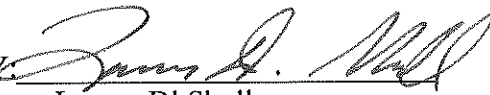
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Town Council of Batesburg-Leesville that the property bearing Saluda County Tax Map number 196-00-00-133 encompassing 42.17 acres, more or less purchased by the Town for the installation of a water treatment plant, located on Shealy Road, Saluda County and all improvements thereon, be sold to Thomas Bagnall, for a total purchase price of \$315,000.00, with the full agreement being more fully contained in the contract attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

DONE IN COUNCIL DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF SAME.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF BATESBURG-LEESVILLE

Judy Edwards
Clerk to Council

BY: 
Mayor Lancer D. Shull

First Reading:
Second Reading:
Public Hearing:
Third Reading:

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON)
TOWN OF BATESBURG-LEESVILLE)

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING
SANITATION RATES FOR
THE TOWN OF BATESBURG-
LEESVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, the Town of Batesburg-Leesville contracts with Waste Management for the disposal of trash throughout the town; and

WHEREAS, the Town has been advised by Waste Management that there will be a 4.2% CPI increase beginning July 1, 2022, to the existing agreement; and


WHEREAS, Waste Management has also advise the Town that there will be a fuel surcharge due to the substantial increase in diesel and gas; and

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in the cost per customer for the transfer charge for Saluda County portion of the Town's waste to pass through Lexington County's transfer station; and

WHEREAS, there have been additional costs per customer for recycling expenses;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Batesburg-Leesville, South Carolina, in Council assembled that each customer shall be charged Fourteen Dollars and Twenty-seven Cents (\$14.27) per container, per month beginning July 1, 2022.:

DONE IN COUNCIL DULY ASSEMBELED this ____ day of June 2022.


Lancer D. Shull, Mayor
Town of Batesburg-Leesville

ATTEST:

Judy E. Edwards, Clerk/Treasurer

First Reading: _____

Public Hearing held: _____

Second and Final Reading: _____

Approved as to form: 
Christian G. Spradley, Town Attorney

THE TOWN OF Batesburg-Leesville

Proclamation National League of Cities Small Cities Month

Whereas, small cities and towns under 50,000 population are the home to millions of Americans and constitute the vast majority of municipalities across the United States; and

Whereas, small cities and towns strive to strengthen their communities through the provision of services and programs to improve the quality of life for all citizens; and

Whereas, the federal government is an essential partner in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to support programs and legislation that strengthen small communities; and

Whereas, state governments are partners in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to support key programs and legislation that strengthen communities; and

Whereas, organizations, businesses, and citizens are partners in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to grow their efforts to make small communities a viable choice for people to live in; and

Whereas, during these challenging economic times, the need for a renewed intergovernmental partnership to support essential public services is more important than ever to ensure the safety and growth of small town America; and

Whereas, the National League of Cities President and the Small Cities Council of the National League of Cities have declared June 2022 as Small Cities Month;

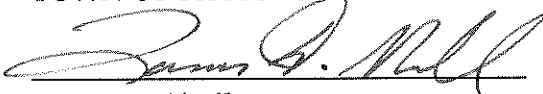
Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Batesburg-Leesville Town Council does hereby proclaim June 2022, as Small Cities Month, and encourages President Biden, Congress, state governments, organizations, businesses, and all citizens to recognize this event, and to work together this month and throughout the year to invest in small cities and towns to better the lives of all citizens.

Dated this 13th Day of June 2022.

ATTEST:

Judy E. Edwards
Town Clerk

TOWN OF BATESBURG-LEESVILLE



Lancer D. Shull
Mayor

THE TOWN OF
Batesburg-Leesville
Resolution
HONORING CHIEF W. WALLACE OSWALD

WHEREAS, Chief W. Wallace Oswald was hired by the Town of Batesburg as a Patrolman on March 15, 1976; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald was promoted to Chief of Police on May 19, 1979; and

WHEREAS, upon the consolidation of the Towns of Batesburg and Leesville into the Town of Batesburg-Leesville Chief Oswald was appointed as the first Chief of Police of the new town; and

WHEREAS, after 46 years serving our community, Chief Oswald announced his retirement from the Batesburg-Leesville Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald graduated from the 147th Session of the FBI Academy at Quantico, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald was recognized for Innovations in South Carolina Law Enforcement by the University of South Carolina for being the first agency in South Carolina to transition from revolver to an auto pistol; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald led both Lexington County and South Carolina by becoming the first Chief in the County to begin a Juvenile Arbitration Program and one of the first agencies in the State to issue bullet resistant vests; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald was a pioneer in law enforcement by mandating the videotaping both Breathalyzer tests and through body cameras in the Batesburg and later Batesburg-Leesville Police Department, well ahead of any legal requirement to do so; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald initiated both narcotic interdiction and tracking programs for K-9 officers within the Batesburg and later Batesburg-Leesville Police Departments; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald faithfully served our State and Nation in the armed services attaining the rank of Command Sergeant Major and being awarded the Bronze Star with Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, for service in Operation Iraqi Freedom and while serving in Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald was awarded the Order of the Silver Crescent by Governor Mark Sanford in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald was selected as the 2016 recipient of the Strom Thurmond Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald was honored with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Association Lifetime Achievement Award in December of 2021; and

WHEREAS, Chief Oswald was instrumental in the creation of and the modifications to the Batesburg-Leesville Police Department Shooting Range, including partnering with the Town of Lexington in installing programmable movable targets, operator tower and other upgrades mostly built by his hand on his time; and

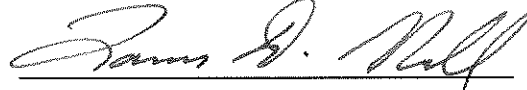
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of Batesburg-Leesville, hereby names the Batesburg-Leesville Police Department Shooting Range in honor of Chief W. Wallace Oswald; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the range shall hereafter be known as the

Chief W. Wallace Oswald Shooting Range.

Dated this 13th Day of June, 2022.

TOWN OF BATESBURG-LEESVILLE



Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:

Judy E. Edwards
Town Clerk