

## **Council Meeting**

The Town Council of the Town of Ware Shoals held a Council Meeting on June 20, 2023 at 6:30 pm. Those present were: Mayor Ross, Councilman Powell, Councilman Boles, Councilman White, Councilwoman Walters, and Councilman Leagans.

Also, present was Randee Beasley, Town Clerk/Treasurer. Councilman Leagans began the meeting with prayer.

### **Public Comments: Mayor Ross asked for Public Comments after reading the “Reading of Public Comments Statement”**

#### **Public Comments**

**June Roak** – expressed concerns of stray dogs, especially pit bulls in her neighborhood. One comes up on her porch and she cant get out of the house.

Tony Smith – attacked by dog on Dairy St.

Kim Jensen – complained of puppy barking and getting off chain constantly.

Police Chair Councilwoman Walters assured the citizens their complaints are being heard. The new animal ordinance was approved last month and is now being enforced by the police department. Tickets will be issued for offenses.

Dawn Shealy – runs a 501C for animal rescue. She and others are working with Town Council, Police Depart, as well as Greenwood County Animal Control. She told citizens to reach out to her and she may be able to help with getting the animals rehomed or carried to animal shelters.

Mayor also informed citizens that the Town has been awarded a \$5,000.00 grant to help with animal control.

### **Executive Session – Discuss the compensation of Police Officers and a potential new hire. FOIA Section 30-4-20 Personnel Matters. Council may take action after Executive Session**

**Action:** Councilman White made the motion to enter executive session, seconded by Councilwoman Walters. Motion passed unanimously

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**Action:** Police Committee made the motion to rehire Dylan Morgan as a certified police officer. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Committee Reports**

##### **Water/Sewer Committee – Councilman Leagans, Chairman**

**Action:** Committee made the motion to appoint Councilman Leagans as the voting delate for the SCRWA. Motion passed unanimously.

**Action:** Councilman White made the motion to approve the base rate gallons from 3000 to 1500 gallons. Motion passed unanimously. See attachment #1 Water rate allowance adjustment spread.

See attachment #2

**Public Works Committee – Councilman Boles, Chairman**

See attachment #3

**Public Safety Committee – Councilwoman Walter Chairman**

**Action:** Councilwoman Walters made the motion to sale the inoperable police cars by seal bid, Councilman White seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

See attachment # 4

**Properties and Economic Development –Councilman White, Chairman**

**Action:** Committee made the motion to made a turn around area at the top hill for sewer dump trucks to turn around if entry is not allowed. Motion passed unanimously.

See attachment #5

**Youth/Communities Committee – Councilman Bryan Ross, Chairman**

See attachment #6

**Administrative Committee – Councilwoman Jackson, Chairman**

Did not have a June meeting

**History/Tourism Committee – Councilman Michael Powell, Chairman**

See attachment #7

**Ordinance 23-05 2023-2024 Budget – Second and Final Reading**

**Action:** Councilman Powell made the motion to adopt Budget Ordinance 23-05, seconded by Councilman White. Motion passed unanimously.

**Adjournment –**

**Action:** Councilman White made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Boles. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Randee Beasley, Town Clerk/Treasurer Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

## Attachments

1. Water rate allowance adjustment spreadsheet
2. Water/Sewer Committee Minutes
3. Public Works Committee Minutes
4. Public Safety Committee Minutes
5. Prop/Econ Committee minutes
6. Youth/Community Committee Minutes
7. History/Tourism Committee Minutes
8. Ordinance 23-05 2023-2024 Budget