



MINUTES

Mayor & Council Meeting

March 4, 2024, 6:00pm



Council Chambers, 50 Booster Field Drive, Whitesburg, Georgia 30185

Elected Officials Present

Mayor, Amy Williford (AW)
 Councilmember, ~~Chris Lewis (CL)~~ Absent
 Councilmember, Lucy Gamble (LG)
 Councilmember, Donna Whitley (DW)
 Councilmember, Kim Arnell (KW)

City Staff Present

Water Superintendent, Robert Gamble (RG)
 Chief of Police, Chris Gilliland (CG)
 Utility Clerk, Wendy Morris (WM)

The Mayor and City Council met for a regular meeting on March 4, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Amy Williford at 6:07 pm, stating we had a Quorum and requesting everyone to silence all electronic devices.

The first order of business was the Approval of the Meeting Agenda; Mayor Williford asked for a Motion to approve the agenda. **Motion By:** Councilmember Arnell, **Second By:** Councilmember Gamble, **Motion Approved** with No Objections.

Minutes For Approval:

Motion to approve minutes from January 30, 2024, Work Session and February 19, 2024, Council Meeting. **Motion By:** Councilmember Whitley, **Second By:** Councilmember Arnell, Motion Approved with No objections.

Citizen Comments & Discussion On Agenda Items: *(Please state name & address; speaking limited to 3 minutes)*

Business Session: (Councilmembers have the opportunity to bring items before the Council)

Mayor Williford: Vote on filling the open seat for the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The following are the recommendations: Mr. Minnifield, Mr. Smolar, and Dr. Sutton.

Motion By: Councilmember Arnell to select Mr. Smolar for the open seat on the Planning and Zoning Commission, **Second By:** Councilmember Whitley, Motion Approved with vote 2:1.

Councilmember Whitley - Changing the time of court: **Motion By:** Councilmember Whitley: Motion to change court from night court to day court. **Second By:** Councilmember Arnell, **Motion Approved** with No Objections

Councilmember Arnell: Purchase of a check reader: **Motion By:** Councilmember Arnell to purchase of a check reader for the Water Utility Clerk in the amount of \$500. **Second By:** Councilmember Whitley, **Motion Approved** with No objections.

Citizen Comments: *(Please state name & address; speaking limited to 3 minutes)*

Members from New Hope Baptist Church want an update on paying McIntosh. **Councilmember Gamble** and **Councilmember Whitley** let the members know that McIntosh was the 3rd road in line to be paved. The city has already paved the 1st and 2nd, therefore McIntosh will be next.

Member from New Hope Baptist Church had some concerns and questions regarding the speed cameras at the school. **Chief Gilliland** explained the hours of operation of the school cameras and let them know that there are signs, and the signs size is a regulation made by the DOT. Chief Gilliland also explained that if an officer were to pull you over in a school zone for speeding it would be a mandatory court date, hefty fine and points on license. The Chief also let the citizens know that the Georgia DOT sets the speed limits, not the City of Whitesburg, they are here to enforce the speed limit.

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Mayor / Council / City Staff Comments:

Councilmember Gamble – Please continue to pray for the seniors. Wants an update on 1069 Main Street. **Mayor Williford** let Councilmember Gamble know that the new owners have purchased a business license. **Councilmember Gamble** wants to let everyone know that she is looking into the issue of the lights on the ballfield.

Mayor Williford, If there are no other comments, I need a motion to adjourn. **Motion By:** Councilmember Gamble made a motion to adjourn., **Second By:** Councilmember Arnell **Motion Approved** with No Objections.

The March 4, 2024, Mayor & Council Meeting ended at 6:41 pm.

Amy R. Williford, Mayor

ATTEST: Clerk