

**City of Baxter**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**City Hall**  
**September 1, 2022**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**Opening of Meeting, Oath of Office, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance**

Chief Danny Holmes 6:00 p.m. Chief Holmes also led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

City Recorder Sharon Carlile called roll. Present were Councilman Willie Allison, Councilman Dustin Stanton, Councilman Greg Phillips, Councilman Jeff Herald and Mayor John Martin

Wayne Nabors swore newly re-elected Councilman Willie Allison and Councilman Greg Phillips into office.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of minutes from Regular Meeting and Public Hearing on August 11, 2022. A motion was made by Councilman Jeff Herald and seconded by Councilman Dustin Stanton to approve the minutes.

Vote: Allison-Yes, Phillips- Yes, Stanton-Yes, Herald-Yes. Motion Carried

**4. Communications From Mayor John Martin**

Mrs. Jeanie Lee discussed the activities of the beautification committee and the Friends of the Depot. She also discussed sitting in on the Rail Trail meeting.

Mayor Martin communicated the expected completion date of the new intersection at highway 56 and highway 70. His hope is to see this intersection bring more developments to that area.

Mayor Martin discussed the issue with high sewer bills at the Crossroads Subdivision due to customers sprinkling their lawns. The board and Public Works director have discussed the issue and the only resolution for the customers is for the customer to purchase an irrigation meter. The tap fee will be \$1500.00. This is the only option that will allow the splitting of the sewer usage and sprinkler usage.

**5. Reports From Committees, Members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, and Other Officers**

Codes Enforcer Bob Lane discussed the progress of Portobello.

Police Chief Danny Holmes asked the board to approve Mayor Martin signing a Confinement Facilities Grant.

Councilman Willie Allison made a motion to approve Mayor Martin to sign the grant. Councilman Greg Phillips seconded the motion.

Vote: Allison-Yes, Phillips- Yes, Stanton-Yes, Herald-Yes. Motion Carried

### **A. Bills for Approval**

Councilman Willie Allison made a motion to approve the Bills for Approval. Councilman Dustin Stanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Allison-Yes, Phillips- Yes, Stanton-Yes, Herald-Yes. Motion Carried

### **B. Purchase Orders**

The purchase orders were approved with a motion by Councilman Dustin Stanton and seconded by Councilman Jeff Herald.

Vote: Allison-Yes, Phillips- Yes, Stanton-Yes, Herald-Yes. Motion Carried

### **Old Business:**

#### **A. Ordinance 2022-3- “Ordinance Of The Governing Body Of Baxter, Tennessee Amending Title 18 Waters And Sewers, Chapter 1, Water And Sewer Service, Section 18-125, Schedule Of Rates”**

The second reading of Ordinance 2022-3 was passed with a motion by Councilman Dustin Stanton and seconded by Councilman Greg Phillips.

Vote: Herald-Yes, Phillips- Yes, Stanton-Yes, Allison- Yes. Motion Carried.

#### **I. Ordinance 2022-4- “Ordinance Of The Governing Body Of Baxter, Tennessee Amending Municipal Codes, Title 4 Municipal Personnel, Chapter 2, Vacation And Sick Leave, Section 4-203 Sick Leave, Sub-Section 1”**

Councilman Willie Allison made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2022-4. Councilman Dustin Stanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Herald-Yes, Phillips- Yes, Stanton-Yes, Allison- Yes. Motion Carried.

### **8. New Business- 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:**

#### **A. Resolution 2022-5- “A Resolution To Apply To The Department Of Environment And Conservation (TDEC) American Rescue Plan (Arp) Funds”**

Resolution 2022-5 was passed with a motion by Councilman Willie Allison and seconded by Councilman Jeff Herald.

Vote: Herald-Yes, Phillips- Yes, Stanton-Yes, Allison- Yes. Motion Carried.

#### **B. Resolution 2022-6- “A Resolution To Apply To The Department Of Environment And Conservation (TDEC) American Rescue Plan (Arp) Funds”**

Resolution 2022-6 was passed with a motion by Councilman Jeff Herald and a second by Councilman Dustin Stanton.

Vote: Herald-Yes, Phillips- Yes, Stanton-Yes, Allison- Yes. Motion Carried.

### **C. Halloween Festival**

Business owner Amy Allen discussed the Halloween Festival happening in the city on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Some of the streets will be shut down for a few hours. It is to give the kids a safe place to trick or treat.

### **. 9. Comments and Grievances from Citizens**

Citizens spoke earlier in the meeting.

Councilman Jeff Herald made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Dustin Stanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Stanton- yes; Phillips- yes; Allison-yes; Herald- yes. Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Carlile, City Recorder

John Martin, Mayor