

**CITY OF BAXTER
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AGENDA
BAXTER CITY HALL
THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2023 6:00 P.M.**

A. Mayor- Call to Order

Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

B. City Recorder- Roll Call

City Recorder Sharon Carlile called roll at 6:02 pm. Present were Councilman Willie Allison, Councilman Greg Phillips, Councilman Dustin Stanton, and Councilman Jeff Herald and Mayor Martin.

C. Business:

1. Ordinance 2022-16- “An Ordinance Amending The Annual Operating Budget Of The General And Special Revenue Funds Of Baxter, Tennessee For Fiscal Year 2022-2023”- 2nd Reading

Councilman Willie Allison made a motion to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2022-16. A second was made by Councilman Greg Phillips.

Vote: Allison-Yes; Phillips- Yes; Herald- Yes; Stanton- Yes

2. Ordinance 2022-17- “An Ordinance Amending The Annual Operating Budget Of The Water And Sewer Funds Of Baxter, Tennessee For Fiscal Year 2022-2023”- 2nd Reading

The second reading of Ordinance 2022-17 was approved with a motion by Councilman Jeff Herald and seconded by Councilman Greg Phillips.

Vote: Allison-Yes; Phillips- Yes; Herald- Yes; Stanton- Yes

3. Ordinance 2022-18- “Ordinance Of The Governing Body Of Baxter, Tennessee Amending Municipal Codes, Title 8 Alcoholic Beverages, Chapter 3, Beer, Section 8-305 Permits Issued For Sale Of Beer Within Corporate Limits For Off-Premises And On-Premises Consumption”- 1st Reading (Changing footage required between churches and beer and liquor sales)

Several area pastors spoke against the limitation being removed. Mayor Martin asked City Attorney Shawn Fry for his opinion on the matter. Mr. Fry suggested it be tabled for more discussion. Churches are not regulated on where they can locate. Therefore, if the church wishes to move beside a restaurant serving alcohol it is allowed to do so. However, a restaurant cannot locate by a church.

Councilman Willie Allison made a motion to table the ordinance until it can be discussed further. Councilman Dustin Stanton seconded the motion.

Vote: Allison-Yes; Phillips- Yes; Herald- Yes; Stanton- Yes

The pastors spoke again against this limitation being removed again. One pastor asked why the motion could not be deleted completely since it is not needed for the church office to locate at the location.

Councilman Willie Allison agreed and made a motion to delete/ kill Ordinance 2022-18 completely. Councilman Greg Phillips made a second to the motion.

Vote: Allison-Yes; Phillips- Yes; Herald- Yes; Stanton- Yes

4. Ordinance 2023 -1- “An Ordinance Of The Town Of Baxter, Tennessee Adopting A Budget For The General And Special Revenue Funds And Tax Rate For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023 And Ending June 30, 2024”- 1st Reading

A motion to approve Ordinance 2023-1, the budget for the General and Special Revenue Funds and tax rate for fiscal year July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024, was made by Councilman Dustin Stanton. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Jeff Herald.

Vote: Allison-Yes; Phillips- Yes; Herald- Yes; Stanton- Yes

5. Ordinance 2023-2- “An Ordinance Of The Town Of Baxter, Tennessee, Adopting A Budget For Water And Sewer Fund For The Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024”- 1st Reading

Ordinance 2023-2, setting a budget for the water and sewer fund for fiscal year July1, 2023- June 30, 2024, was approved for first reading with a motion by Councilman Dustin Stanton. Councilman Jeff Herald made a second to the motion.

Vote: Allison-Yes; Phillips- Yes; Herald- Yes; Stanton- Yes

6. Interlocal Agreement HGAC

Councilman Dustin Stanton made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with HGAC after Fire Chief Matt White explained the program. Councilman Jeff Herald seconded the motion.

Vote: Allison-Yes; Phillips- Yes; Herald- Yes; Stanton- Yes

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Dustin Stanton. Councilman Jeff Herald made a second to the motion.

Vote: Allison-Yes; Phillips- Yes; Herald- Yes; Stanton- Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Carlile, City Recorder

John Martin, Mayor