

**City of Baxter**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**City Hall**  
**September 5, 2024 6:00 p.m.**

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

Fire Chief Matt White opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Wayne Nabors swearing in of new Mayor and Councilmen**

County Clerk Wayne Nabors swore in the new Mayor, Danny Holmes, and re-elected Councilman Dustin Stanton and Councilman Jeff Herald.

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Danny Holmes called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m. Four preachers gave an invocation.

**2. Roll Call**

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

**3. Approval of minutes from Regular Meeting on August 8, 2024.**

Councilman Dustin Stanton made a motion to approve the minutes and dispense of the reading. Councilman Willie Allison made a second to the motion.

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

**4. Bills for Approval**

A motion to approve the bills was made by Councilman Willie Allison and seconded by Councilman Jeff Herald.

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

**5. Purchase Orders: Sewer (2)**

Purchase orders for sewer in the amount of \$9,058.79 and \$4,085.00 was approved with a motion by Councilman Dustin Stanton. Councilman Jeff Herald seconded the motion.

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

**6. Old Business- 2nd Reading:**

No old business to discuss.

**7. New Business- 1st Reading:**

**A. Ordinance 2024-4- “An Ordinance To Amend The Official Zoning Map Of The Town Of Baxter, Tennessee By Changing The Zoning Classification Of The Property Described As District 20 Map 056k, Control Map 056k, Group C, Parcel 3.00 (420 Main St) From R-1, Residential Zoning To C-1, Central Commercial District”**

Councilman Greg Phillips made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-4 to rezone 420 Main St to C-1. Councilman Willie Allison seconded the motion.

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

### **B. Fire Generator Bids**

A motion to approve the lowest bid for the generator was made by Councilman Jeff Herald. A second was made by Councilman Dustin Stanton.

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

### **C. Resolution 2024-1- “A Resolution Authorizing The City Of Baxter, Tn To Participate In Public Entity Partners “Safety Partners” Matching Grant Program”**

A motion to approve Resolution 2024-1 authorizing the City to participate in the Public Entity Partners Safety Grant was made by Councilman Willie Allison and seconded by Councilman Dustin Stanton.

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

### **D. Ordinance 2024-5 \_ “An Ordinance To Amend The Official Zoning Map Of The Town Of Baxter, Tennessee By Changing The Zoning Classification Of The Property Described As District 20 Map 056j, Control Map 056j, Group B, Parcel 6.00 (125 Chestnut St) From R-1, Residential Zoning To R-3, Super High-Density District.”**

Ordinance 2024-5 to rezone 125 Chestnut St to R-3, did not receive a motion.

Councilman Greg Phillips made a motion to decline the rezoning of 125 Chestnut to R-3 zoning. Councilman Willie Allison made a second to the motion.

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

### **E. Bids on Capital Outlay**

City Recorder Sharon Carlile asked to table this as the bids have not been received yet.

### **8. Communications from Mayor Danny Holmes**

Mayor Danny Holmes discussed how he has been briefed on a lot of information and is happy the board can come together as one and do the best for the City.

### **9. Reports from Committees, Members of the Board of Mayor and Councilman, and other Officers**

Councilman Willie Allison congratulated Mayor Holmes, and complimented the new police decals. Councilman Greg Phillips, Councilman Dustin Stanton, and Councilman Jeff Herald also congratulated Mayor Holmes. Each of them also spoke about how well they think the new Mayor and board will work together. Jeannie Lee congratulated Mayor Holmes also and spoke about her love for the City. Amy Allen communicated to everyone that she will be handling the booths for the Fall Festival. Building Inspector Bob Lane discussed new houses under construction. City Engineer Tom Bennett communicated the preliminary plans for the TDOT project for Baxter Interchange will be released in October. The Wastewater Treatment plant rehab project will mobilize around the end of September. He also commented that he has briefed Mayor Holmes on all projects. City Attorney congratulated Mayor Holmes, Councilman Stanton and Councilman Herald. Fire Chief Matt White congratulated all three also. He also wants to look at on street parking issues in the near future. Public Works John Ramsey said everything is good. Police Chief Al Reyes congratulated all of them and wanted the citizens to know if they need anything, he is available.

## 10. Comments and Grievances from Citizens

Citizen Terry Herrin is very hopeful for the new council and thinks the change will be good. Chief Holmes complimented all of the employees and how blessed the City is to have everyone. Councilman Dustin Stanton and his wife, Chelsey discussed the upcoming Boo Bash on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Jeff Herald thanked them for doing the Boo Bash. Citizen Brent Mathis complained a Councilman told him he didn't have time to discuss his water bill. Councilman Greg Phillips wanted everyone to know he talks to everyone.


### Adjournment

Councilman Willie Allison made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Dustin Stanton seconded the motion.

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

Meeting Adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Carlile, City Recorder



Danny Holmes, Mayor