

TOWN OF BAILEY MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – 12/12/2022

The Regular Meeting of the Bailey Town Board was held in the Bailey Town Hall on December 12, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

The following members of the Bailey Town Board were present: Mayor Thomas Richards, Commissioners Richard Wilson, Dillon Bissette, Ervin Powell and Allen Daniels.

Also in attendance were Town Administrator Joel Killion, Zoning Administrator/Code Enforcer Shawn Lucas, and Town Attorney Ryan King.

The following member(s) of the Bailey Town Board were absent: Commissioner Walter Wells.

Called the meeting to order & Welcome Guest:

Mayor Richards called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

Approval of financial statements and meeting minutes:

Commissioner Bissette made a motion to approve the financial statements and meeting minutes and Commissioner Powell seconded the motion.

Agenda:

Bailey Chamber of Commerce: Tammy Bissette provided update on the success of the Christmas events. Next Chamber meeting is on Thursday, December 15.

Planning Board: Three lights are out in town that work orders have been put in for. Also, N-Focus will be at the next Planning Board meeting to go over the changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Update regarding sewer taps on Mr. Tony Stone's property in order to do the rezoning recommendation for the Planning Board.

EnviroLink: Mr. Josh Powers presented monthly report.

Old Business:

Town Hall Roof Bids Review – Since one bid is all that was received, the Mayor said that other bids will be requested to allow for more reasonably-priced offers.

New Business:

Submission of the “2023 Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Schedule” and “2023 Town Hall Holiday Schedule” - Commissioner Bissette moved to approve both schedules. Commissioner Powell seconded. Motion carried.

Vote: Mayor Richards: N/A, Commissioners Bissette: Aye, Powell: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Daniels: Aye

Public Comments: Kaye Folsom spoke regarding the need for leaves and limbs to be picked up by Envirolink on Bissette Street, Elm Street, and Reid Street. Mayor Richards and Commissioner Daniels addressed Mr. Josh Powers of Envirolink on this matter, since he was present in the Council Chambers, and asked that the Envirolink workers drive throughout Town to pick up all remaining leaf/limb piles. Then, Owen H. Strickland II spoke regarding a street collapse at 5711 Pine Street, which is a State road.

Department Head Comments:

Zoning Administrator/Code Enforcer, Shawn Lucas: Mr. Lucas informed everyone of the next Public Hearing on Monday, January 16 at 6:30pm.

Town Administrator, Joel Killion: Mr. Killion shared regarding two emails from the Upper Coastal Plain's Council of Government. The first was from Ms. Helen Page regarding the Town paying \$24,723 in closing costs for the 2019 Sanitary Sewer Collection Lines Replacement Project. The second was from Mr. Joe Dooley regarding the Board's option of declining the \$1,500 CWSRF funding, which the Board did decline. Also, Mr. Killion asked the Mayor and Board to review the Overman & Parks CPA proposal in the Commissioner packets over the coming month in preparation for discussion and a vote at the next Board meeting in January. Moreover, Mr. Killion informed the Mayor and Board that the recent "Report of Status on Late Audits" to the LGC was in their packets. Finally, Mr. Killion asked the Mayor and Board to review the Rural Water Association rates study and the "Important Notice of Account Error" documentation in the Commissioner packets over the coming weeks in preparation for discussion and a vote at the next Board meeting in January.

Commissioner Comments:

Walter Wells: Not present

Richard Wilson: He said that what he needs to address would have to be discussed in closed session.

Dillon Bissette: No comment

Ervin Powell: No comment

Allen Daniels: Made a motion that the Town give Envirolink a 30-day notice on January 1st to do away with leaf and limb portion of the contract that will then be bid out. Commissioner Bissette seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mayor Richards: N/A, Commissioners Daniels: Aye, Bissette: Aye, Powell: Aye, Wilson: Aye

Mayor's Remarks:

He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Closed Session:

G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) Attorney/Client Privileges

Commissioner Daniels moved the Board go into Closed Session for Attorney/Client Privilege G.S. 143-381.11(a)(3). Commissioner Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

Vote: Mayor Richards: N/A, Commissioners Daniels: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Powell: Aye, Bissette: Aye, Wilson: Aye

Commissioner Bissette moved the Board to return to Open Session. Commissioner Wilson seconded. Motion carried.

Vote: Mayor Richards: N/A, Commissioners Bissette: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Powell: Aye, Wilson: Aye

Commissioner Bissette moved to approve Christmas bonuses of \$500 to all full and part-time Town employees. Commissioner Powell seconded. Motion carried.

Vote: Mayor Richards: N/A, Commissioners Bissette: Aye, Powell: Aye, Daniels: Aye, Wilson: Aye

Commissioner Bissette moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Powell seconded. Motion carried.

Vote: Mayor Richards: N/A, Commissioners Bissette: Aye, Powell: Aye, Daniels: Aye, Wilson: Aye

Meeting adjourned.



Joel Killian, Town Administrator



Thomas Richards, Mayor