Minutes for the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Bryson City
September 11, 2023
Town Hall
6:00 p.m.

Attending:

Board of Aldermen	Town Affiliates	Public
Tom Sutton, Mayor	Sam Pattillo, Town Manager	Mark Jones
Tim Hines	Lynn Thomas, Town Clerk	Kyle Henry
Heidi Ramsey-Woodard	Fred Moody, Town Attorney	Tyler SanSouci
Chad Smith	Charles Robinson, Police Chief	Gene Sutton
		Shirley Sutton
		Albert Parsons
		Tim Goodwin
		Jessica Webb, *Smoky Mtn. Times*

Mayor Tom Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Tim Hines gave the invocation.

Mayor Sutton led the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag.

No one came forward for public comment.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the August 14, 2023 regular meeting. **Chad Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Tim Hines seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board reviewed an application from Mark Fortner at 1699 Hwy. 19 South for water and sewer services. **Heidi Ramsey-Woodard made a motion to approve this application for water and sewer services; Tim Hines seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board reviewed an application from Kevin Beauchesne and Kevin Seagle for water services at 74 West Ridge Drive. **Chad Smith made a motion to approve this application for water services; Heidi Ramsey-Woodard seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board reviewed a request from Raymond Kirkland for relief on his sewer account for a leak at 190 Carringer Street. **Heidi Ramsey-Woodard made a motion to forgive $630.35 off the sewer portion of his bill; Tim Hines seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board reviewed a request from Watershed Cabins for relief on a leak at 162 Everett Street. The Board reviewed the account and was looking at forgiving $8,201.25 off the sewer portion of the bill. Mr. Tim Goodwin, owner of Watershed Cabins, asked for more relief because he thought that the Town was responsible for part of the leak. This matter was tabled until further information could be obtained.

The Board reviewed an application from Black Hill Properties for seven water taps at a new development on Black Hill. This will be an extension of the water services in this area so State permitting and engineering will be required. **Chad Smith made a motion to approve these seven water services pending State permitting and engineering are completed; Tim Hines seconded the motion that carried.**

Chad Smith made a motion to approve $1,000 be given to the 2023 Mountain Heritage Day Festival from the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Budget special appropriations; Tim Hines seconded the motion that carried.

Chad Smith made a motion to approve the Bryson City Fire Department to apply for a North Carolina Forest Service grant; Heidi Ramsey-Woodard seconded the motion that carried.

The Board reviewed a letter from American Legal Publishing requesting information regarding our ordinance book that they are re-codifying.

The Board reviewed a request from Skywave to place a tower on the roof of Town Hall. The Board instructed Manager Pattillo to contact Skywave and let them know that Town Hall building will need some electrical improvements due to the panel box being full. Also, Skywave will need to provide us with a contract.

Heidi Ramsey-Woodard made a motion to approve the contract with Johnathan Cook for the Town of Bryson City's website design; Tim Hines seconded the motion that carried.

A public hearing was held prior to this meeting regarding the annexation of 1840 and 1881 West Deep Creek Road. **Chad Smith made a motion to adopt the ordinance of annexation for Smoky Mountain Campground at 1840 West deep Creek Road and Creek Life Tubes, LLC at 1881 West Deep Creek Road; Heidi Ramsey-Woodard seconded the motion that carried.**

There was not a workshop scheduled for this month, but there is a Swain County Commissioners joint meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Education Center.

Town Attorney Fred Moody gave the Attorney's Report.

The Board reviewed the Fire Chief's, Tax Collector's, Police Chief's, Public Works, Wastewater, Street, and Town Manger's Reports. There was no Water Report presented. **Heidi Ramsey-Woodard made a motion to approve all the reports as presented; Chad Smith seconded the motion that carried.**

Chad Smith made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition; Heidi Ramsey-Woodard seconded the motion that carried.

The Board returned from Executive Session and stated that no action was taken.

Being no further business, **Heidi Ramsey-Woodard made a motion to adjourn; Tim Hines seconded the motion that carried.**

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Mayor Tom Sutton Town Clerk Lynn Thomas