

Minutes
Special Called Meeting
Bluff City Board of Mayor and Aldermen
August 23, 2012

Mayor Wells called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present were Bryan Mullins, Robert Miller, Lon Gene Leonard.

Melvin Carrier and Sheena Cornwell were absent.

Prayer was given by Mike Miller followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wells opened the floor for Citizen Comments – First Section. There were none

Mayor Wells opened the floor for Public Hearing on Ordinance 2012-012 at 7:06 p.m. City Attorney Paul Frye read the Ordinance No. 2012-012, which is the Appropriations Ordinance for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2013.

1. Mike Miller of 1074 Silver Grove Road in Bluff City was present to represent the Thomas Memorial Library with a request for \$10,000.00 for funding for the library. Mr. Miller reported that it takes \$110,000.00 to run the library.
2. Teresa McMahan with the Sullivan County Library System was present to answer any questions. There were none. Alderman Miller stated that if they chose to take action on the request they could do it later with a budget amendment.

Mayor Wells closed the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m. Motion to pass Ordinance 2012-012 on second reading was made by Alderman Miller. Second by Vice Mayor Leonard. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Wells opened the floor for the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2012-013 at 7:16 p.m. City Attorney Paul Frye read the ordinance which is the Property Tax Levy Ordinance. There were no comments. Mayor Wells closed the Public Hearing at 7:16 p.m. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 2012-013 on second reading was made Alderman Miller. Second by Alderman Mullins. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Wells opened the floor for Public Hearing on Ordinance 2012-014 at 7:19 p.m. City Attorney Paul Frye read the ordinance which is setting Sewer User Rates, which includes a 10% increase. There were no comments. Mayor Wells closed the Public Hearing at 7:20 p.m. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 2012-014 on second reading was made by Alderman Miller. Second by Alderman Mullins. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Wells opened the floor for Public Hearing on Ordinance 2012-015 at 7:21 p.m. City Attorney Paul Frye read the Ordinance No. 2012-015, which sets Water User Rates, which includes a 10% increase.

1. Becky Buchanan of 750 Dry Branch Road asked why the rates have to go up 10%. Vice Mayor Leonard stated that they either set the percentage of increase per year or the State will set them for us to make it self supporting. City Manager Dulaney stated that the city, until this past year, had been under the Water and Waste Water Finance Board because as the city had 2 years at a loss.

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Ms. Dulaney stated that the only way to make to make the water self supporting is through the user rates.

Mayor Wells closed the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2012-015 at 7:30 p.m. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 2012-015 on second reading was made by Alderman Miller. Second by Alderman Mullins. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Wells presented Resolution 2012-013 to the BMA for consideration. City Attorney Paul Frye read the Resolution No. 2012-012, which were the Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2012. Motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-013 was made by Alderman Miller. Second by Vice Mayor Leonard. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Wells opened the floor for Citizen Comments – Second Section. There were none.

Mayor Wells adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Irene Wells, Mayor

Attest this 23rd Day of August, 2012

Judy Dulaney, City Recorder