

**TOWN OF BOWLING GREEN**

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

September 1, 2022

7:00 p.m.

Town Hall

**ROLL CALL AND QUORUM ESTABLISHED:**

Mayor Gaines called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Mark Gaines

Vice-Mayor Valarie Coyle

Council Member Jean Davis

Council Member Jeff Voit

Council Member Tammie Gaines

Council Member Randy Hageman

Council Member Deborah Howard

Council Member Arthur Wholey

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

No Public Hearing held

**DELEGATIONS:**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Gaines opened the public comment period.

Ms. Bonnie Cannon, resident, addressed the members stating her disappointment concerning an event on Dixon Street regarding a house built in 1928 where no public official was present. Also spoke about the ongoing issue with trash services. She would like to be removed from the services.

Ms. Ann Marie Jiles, resident, addressed the members regarding the improvements to the Town Hall Building. She has concerns about the kitchen, and feels it should be redone. Also feels there are several vulnerable spaces in the building that need attention. Stated she does not want anyone in danger.

Mayor Gaines closed the public comment period.

**MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Council thanked residents for attending.

**STAFF REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS:**

The following staff reports were presented to Council:

Water Supply Project Update

* No update was given

2022 Harvest Festival Update

* Lisa Stevens presented to members a packet with map and brochure on updated Harvest Festival plans.
* Added a mechanical bull this year
* Presented to members a monthly financial report and vendor tracker ledger.
* Council agreed to advertisement via radio – Compare prices

Planning Commission Update

* Planning Commission would like a joint meeting with Town Council to discuss water issue

Public Works/Utilities Monthly Report for August 2022

* No comments/questions

Police Department Monthly Report for August 2022

* Chief stated he has a few applications for full-time officer
* Council said thank you and keep up the good work

Town Clerk/Treasurer Council Monthly Report for August 2022

* Council questioned Freelance Star advertisement bill
* Brought up credit for Freelance Star mistake in posting advertisement about Public Hearing

Town Administration Monthly Report for August 2022

* Town Manager not present for meeting
* No questions/comments

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Bills – September 2022**

On the motion of Ms. Gaines, seconded by Mr. Voit, which carried a vote of 7-0, the Town Council voted to accept Consent Agenda item ten (10) as presented.

**Minutes – July 7, 2022 & August 4, 2022, Town Council Meeting**

* Correction to minutes on July 7, 2022 & August 4, 2022 – Arthur Wholey was present at both Town Council meetings.
* On the motion of Mr. Voit, seconded by Mr. Wholey, which carried a vote of 7-0, the Town Council voted to accept July 7, 2022 & August 4, 2022 Town Council meeting minutes with above stated correction.

**UNFINISED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Conversion from Google to Microsoft Office** – Ms. Nance gave presentation about the conversion to Microsoft Office explaining the benefits compared to using Google.

* Calendar features are a big positive
* Compatible with Keystone
* More productive for staff

Council would like to see a more detailed presentation.

A motion by Ms. Coyle, seconded by Mr. Voit, which carried a vote of 7-0, to discuss further in Town Council Worksession.

**Addition of Electronic Lockbox Service** – Ms. Nance gave presentation concerning getting a Lockbox service.

* Receive customer payments faster
* Same day deposit to your bank account
* Improves productivity and reduces cost

Council would like to see a more detailed presentation which includes cost.

A motion by Mr. Wholey, seconded by Ms. Coyle, which carried a vote of 7-0, to discuss further in Town Council Worksession.

**Trash Service Discussion** – Mr. Voit brought up discussion concerning GFL trash service.

* Issues with recycle
* Not processing trash fast enough. It ends up on barges headed to China
* Mayor Mark Gaines reached out to Tammy with GFL and has not heard back from her
* Have wrong rate now compared to what they were paying

Council stated they could always do away with trash service and have residents dispose of their own trash. Council also stated the need to look for services elsewhere.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

On the motion of Ms. Gaines, seconded by Mr. Voit, which carried a vote of 7-0, the Town Council voted to adjourn the September 1, 2022, meeting at 8:45 p.m.