

TOWN OF BAILEY MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – 11/21/2022

The Regular Meeting of the Bailey Town Board was held in the Bailey Town Hall on November 21, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

The following members of the Bailey Town Board were present: Mayor Thomas Richards, Commissioners Walter Wells, Richard Wilson, Dillon Bisette, Ervin Powell and Allen Daniels. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Joel Killion.

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 Bisette moved that the minutes and financials be approved. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Wells. Motion Carried.

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

Agenda:

Upper Coastal Plains Council of Governments – Joe Dooley: Mr. Dooley presented two upcoming grant opportunities to the town.

Neighborhood Recovery Program – \$750,000 - \$900,000 available. The town must appoint a committee to help designate individuals in need. The committee must meet, designate homes for possible recovery, collect income surveys then submit applications.

Drinking Water Project – The application period is expected to be April 2023 – June 2023. More information will be presented.

Bailey Chamber of Commerce: Cynthia Evans presented details of Chamber Christmas events. Christmas Tree Lighting will be held December 2nd at 6:00. The Bailey Christmas Parade will be held Saturday, December 3rd at 2:00. Commissioner Wells thanked Cynthia for her hard work on the event.

Planning Board: Zoning Administrator Lucas was not present, no report was given.

EnviroLink: No one was present to give report.

Old Business:

Town Hall Roof Bids Review – One bid has been received. The bid total was \$67,778.

New Business:

2023 Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Schedule – Town Administrator suggested moving the November and December meetings due to Holidays.

2023 Town Hall Holiday Schedule – Town Administrator Killion presented the 2023 Town Hall Holiday Schedule to Commissioners. Mr. Killion advised a typo in the dates and advised he would present the corrected schedule at the December meeting.

Public Comments: No public comments

Department Head Comments:

Police Chief, Cathy Callahan: Chief Callahan provided her Summary Report to the Board.

Zoning Administrator/Code Enforcer, Shawn Lucas: Mr. Lucas was not present

Town Administrator, Joel Killion: Mr. Killion advised the board of leftover funds from the Downtown Revitalization grant. He also advised that the water rates analysis had been completed and report was presented in Commissioner packets. Mr. Killion reported that the 2019-2020 Fiscal audit should be completed by December 31, 2022. The auditor will then move immediately to 2020-2021, followed by 2021-2022.

Commissioner Comments:

Walter Wells: Thanked NCSO for assisting during time of short staffing. He also brought up a Planning Board request from Tony Stone. Mr. Stone has waited months to find out how many sewer taps were in place and are usable. Mr. Wells presented documents showing previous billing. He hopes the town can help resolve Mr. Stone's issue. He also brought up concerns regarding sewer flow.

Richard Wilson: No comment

Dillon Bissette: Appreciated Mr. Dooley's presentation

Ervin Powell: No comment

Allen Daniels: Expressed concerns that Envirolink has not picked up leaf and limbs in months. He suggested giving them a deadline then breaking the contract and hiring a new contractor. He also expressed concerns regarding safety during Christmas parade. He suggested some type of DOT inspection prior to the parade next year as well as require entries to present vehicle safety inspections. Cynthia Evans stated she would reach out to NCSO as well as NCSHP.

Mayor's Remarks:

Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Closed Session:

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

G.S. 143-381.11(a)(6) Personnel Matters

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

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

Commissioner Wells moved The Town of Bailey hire Richardson & Davis, an investigative consulting group, to provide investigation and consultation regarding the internal investigation regarding a personnel matter surrounding alleged actions and or policy violations by current Chief of Police Callahan and part time officer Sokolove. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bisette. Motion carried.

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

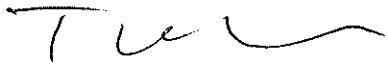
Commissioner Daniels moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Powell. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned.



Joel Killian, Town Administrator



Thomas Richards, Mayor