

Town of Whiteville
Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Minutes

December 10, 2012

The December meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call was answered by Chandra Johnson, Charles Phillips, Jimmie Lee Robertson, Emily Rosson, Tommy Turner and Sidney Woods.

The minutes of the November 5 and November 20 meetings were read and approved with one addition; the new police vehicles will include two black and white units and one black unit. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Charles Phillips and seconded by Sidney Woods. None opposed. Motion carried.

There were citizens present* but there were no grievances.

Our new police officer, Donald McElhone was introduced to the Board. He was welcomed by all.

The ordinance increasing water rates by 7% each year for the next three years totaling 21%, effective with the February billing, was passed on third and final reading. Motion to do so was made by Jimmie Lee Robertson and seconded by Sidney Woods. None opposed. Motion carried.

In Mayor's reports: Mayor Bellar reminded the Board of the two groups that were wanting to build a facility at the wastewater plant for the production of alternative energy. After review and consideration of their proposals, Mayor Bellar asked the Board for permission to advise Alternative Energy Solutions that we do not want to proceed with their project. A motion to advise them of this decision was made by Charles Phillips and seconded by Jimmie Lee Robertson. None opposed. Motion carried.

Mayor Bellar reported that the Judge has ordered Bolivar Gas to deposit \$98,000 for the Town of Whiteville with Chancery Court settlement of the lawsuit.

Mayor Bellar requested that even though it was suggested in June to not pay employee bonuses, he would like for employees to be paid. There had been no pay increases this year and income is better than we had anticipated. Motion to pay annual bonuses was made by Chandra Johnson and seconded by Tommy Turner. None opposed. Motion carried.

At this time, new officer, Donald McElhone was sworn in by Chief Stanley.

Aldermen's Reports: Sidney Woods presented the police report.

Chandra Johnson reported street lights out on Bass and Webb area.

Charles Phillips had noticed that the box on the leaf truck was in need of replacement. It was suggested that they get quotes on replacement.

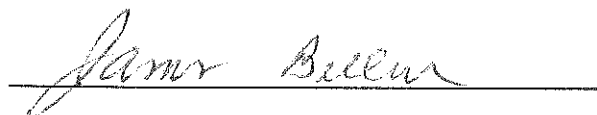
Jimmie Lee Robertson presented the fire report. He added that the street light repair at W. Main and Hwy 64 intersection was much appreciated, as that was a very dark intersection.

Mayor Bellar noted that citations were down. Chief Stanley expects them to increase this coming month.

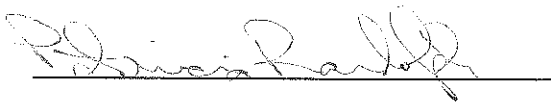
There were requests for water adjustments in the amount of \$88.62. A motion to make these adjustments was made by Emily Rosson and seconded by Chandra Johnson. None opposed. Motion carried.

Sidney Woods reported that streets needed to be resurfaced. There was discussion on looking at the streets and contacting paving companies for a quote.

Having no other business to come before the Board, a motion to dismiss was made by Charles Phillips and seconded by Tommy Turner. None opposed. Motion carried.



James Bellar, Mayor



Patricia Randolph, Recorder

*Citizens present: Ramsey Fleet, Donnie and Carol McElhone, Susan Piper, Sara Roberts of Bolivar Bulletin, and Jerry McKinney.