



CITY OF BOAZ
Council Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2022
Boaz Senior Center – 6:00 PM

I. Call to Order

Mayor Dyar called the meeting at 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor David Dyar

Council Member David Ellis

Council Member Josh Greer

Council Member Johnny Willis

Council Member Jeff Sims

Council Member Mike Matthews

II. Invocation

Council Member Matthews gave the Invocation.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Sims led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Would anyone like to speak under Public Comments?

There was no response.

V. Adoption of Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Willis, Seconded by Council Member Matthews.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

VI. Reading and/or Approval of Minutes of Previous Council Meeting

Motion made by Council Member Sims, Seconded by Council Member Matthews.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

1. Work Session Minutes March 28, 2022

2. Council Meeting Minutes March 28, 2022

VII. Council Member Reports

1. Council Member Ellis reported on the Boaz Fire Department for March 2022. See attached report.
2. Council Member Greer reported on the Boaz Street Department for March 2022. See attached report.
3. Council Member Willis reported on the Boaz Police Department for March 2022. See attached report.
4. Council Member Matthews reported on the Boaz Public Library for March 2022. See attached report.

VIII. Public Hearings

1. A public hearing to hear an application from Om Rudra Inc dba Double Bridge Grocery located at 13730 Alabama Highway 168, Boaz, Alabama 35957. The business has applied for a Retail Beer (off premises only) and Retail Table Wine (off premises only).

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Willis to open the public hearing at 6:07 P.M.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

Mayor Dyar asked if anyone like to speak "for" or "against" the issuance of the license. There was no response.

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Matthews to close the public hearing at 6:10 P.M.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

2. A public hearing in regards to the appropriate municipal official, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2020-1150, finding that a building located at 118 Old Denson Road is a dangerous building because it is unsafe to the extent that it is a public nuisance and is subject to demolition.

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Greer to open the public hearing at 6:11 P.M.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

Mayor Dyar asked if anyone would like to speak "for" or "against" Ordinance No. 2020-1150, findind that a building located at 118 Old Denson Road is a dangerous building because it is unsafe to the extent that it is a public nuisance and is subject to demolition.

Gail Whitfield, P.O. Box 1357 Boaz, AL, stated she was the owner of 118 Old Denson Road Boaz, AL. Ms. Whitfield says she bought a permit to demolish the structure back in November. City Attorney Christie Knowles stated that the City would rather the property owner tear it down than the City has to. If the Resolution is passed, Ms. Whitfield can still tear down the building. Mayor Dyar told Ms. Whitfield to communicate with Building Inspector Nick Borden.

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Willis to close the public hearing at 6:15 P.M.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

3. A public hearing in regards to the appropriate municipal official, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2020-1150, finding that a building, inoperable vehicles and other structures located at 16 Pleasant Hill Cutoff Road is a dangerous condition because it is unsafe to the extent that it is a public nuisance and is subject to demolition and/or removal.

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Matthews to open the public hearing at 6:16 P.M.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

Mayor Dyar asked if anyone one like to speak "for" or "against" Ordinance No. 2020-1150, finding that a building, inoperable vehicles and other structures located at 16 Pleasant Hill Cutoff Road is a dangerous condition because it is unsafe to the extent that it is a public nuisance and is subject to demolition and/or removal.

April Norton, 727 Pleasant Hill Road Boaz, AL, states she is all for this happening. She says her back yard lines up with the property at 16 Pleasant Hill Cutoff Road. Ms. Norton says it takes the Police and Fire Departments away from something else they could be doing.

Josh Creech, 220 Lee Holcomb Road Boaz, AL, is for it.

Kellie Whorton, 104 Lee Holcomb Road, Boaz, AL 35956, is for it.

Hannah Hanson, 373 Lee Holcomb Road, Boaz, AL, is for it.

City Attorney Christie Knowles stated the property owners have 45 days to file an appeal. If they don't appeal during that time period, then Building Inspector Nick Borden can move ahead. The City has a maximum of 180 days to demo the property.

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Willis to close the public hearing at 6:20 P.M.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

IX. New Business

1. Accounts Payable - Approve the accounts payable voucher dated March 28, 2022 through April 8, 2022 totaling \$191,010.22.

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Greer.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

2. Adopt Resolution No. 2022-1704 approving the issuance of a business license for retail beer and retail table wine (off premises only) to Om Rudra Inc. dba Double Bridge Grocery located at 13730 AL Highway 168, Boaz, AL 35957.

Motion made by Council Member Sims, Seconded by Council Member Willis.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

3. Adopt Resolution No. 2022-1705 approving the building located at 118 Old Denson Road Boaz, AL is a dangerous building because it is unsafe to the extent that it is a public nuisance and is subject to demolition.

Motion made by Council Member Ellis, Seconded by Council Member Greer.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

4. Adopt Resolution No. 2022-1706 approving a building, inoperable vehicles and other structures located at 16 Pleasant Hill Cutoff Road Boaz, AL is a dangerous condition because it is unsafe to the extent that it is a public nuisance and is subject to demolition and/or removal.

Motion made by Council Member Sims, Seconded by Council Member Matthews.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

X. Mayor's Comments

1. National D.A.R.E. Day for our community will be Thursday, April 21, 2022.
2. School Board Interviews will be held Thursday, April 21, 2022 at the Boaz Senior Center starting at 5:00 P.M.
3. All City of Boaz departments will be closed Friday, April 15, 2022 in observance of Good Friday with the exception of Fire and Police.
4. The next Council Meeting will be April 25, 2022.

XI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

Motion made by Council Member Willis, Seconded by Council Member Matthews.

Voting Yea: Mayor Dyar, Council Member Ellis, Council Member Greer, Council Member Willis, Council Member Sims, Council Member Matthews

David Dyar, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Stephens, Assistant City Clerk/ Treasurer